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#### Please welcome new students

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Stay strong and healthy!! Tammie Shroll CDM CFPP Oklahoma State

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#### Who is the real St. Patrick?

Patrick was born in Britain of a Romanized family. When he was 16 years old, Irish • raiders tore him from the villa of his father, Calpurnius, a deacon and minor local official, and carried Patrick into slavery in ٠ Ireland. He spent six bleak years there as a herdsman, during which time he turned • with fervor to his faith. Upon dreaming • that the ship in which he was to escape was ready, he fled his enslaver and found ٠ passage to Britain. There he came near to starvation and suffered a second brief • captivity before he was reunited with his family. Thereafter he may have paid a short visit to the Continent. •

# What about Easter, Why is it called Easter?

St. Bede the Venerable, the 6th-century author of *Historia ecclesiastica gentis Anglorum* ("Ecclesiastical History of the English People"), maintains that the English word "Easter" comes from *Eostre*, or *Eostrae*, the Anglo-Saxon goddess of spring and fertility. Other historians maintain the "Easter" derives from *in albis*, a Latin phrase that's plural for *alba*, *or* "dawn," that became *eostarum* in Old High German, a precursor to the English language of today.

Despite its significance as a Christian holy day, many of the traditions and symbols

that play a key role in Easter observances actually have roots in pagan celebrations particularly the pagan goddess Eostre and in the Jewish holiday of <u>Passover</u>.

- Some Events in Oklahoma:
- The Cat in the Hat Deb. 23 Apr. 7 2024, OKC
- Parkstomp Music Festival Mar. 15-17 2024, Medicine Park
- Big Meat Run Mar. 15-17 2024
- Disney
- Jurassic Quest, Mar. 15-17 2024
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- Stockyards St. Patrick's day Parade, Mar. 16, 2024, OKC
- ShamROCK the Rose, Mar, 16 2024
- Broken Arrow
  - Queensferry Renaissance Festival, Mar. 16-17 2024, Vinita
  - Cherokee History Scavenger Hunt, Mar. 19-24, 2024, Tahlequah
  - OSU Cowboys vs Missouri State Bear, Mar. 19 2024, Stillwater
  - Tulsa Botanic Blooms, Mar. 19-Apr. 19, 2024, Tulsa
  - Vietnam Veteran day Ceremony, Mar. 21 2024, Broken Arrow
  - Taste of Yukon, Mar. 21 2024, Yukon
  - Guthrie Renaissance Fedtival, Mar. 22-24, 2024, Guthrie
  - *Chocolate, Wine & More, Mar. 26 2024, Claremore*
- And so many more!!! Time to Explore

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Here are some pictures from our fall meeting!! Thank you everyone who came!!



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