

# Kids' Connection!

## This Month We Learn About Saint Brigid of Kildare

### Who Was She?

St. Brigid was born into slavery in 451 in Ireland. As she grew, she performed many miracles, which included healing the sick and feeding the poor. There are many accounts of her giving away food, only to have it miraculously replenished. She established a monastery in Kildare that was served by young women who took care of an "eternal flame" there. With the help of seven others, Brigid created communal religious life for women in Ireland and became an abbess. It is also said that Brigid created a school of art. She was friends with St. Patrick, and the two of them, along with St. Colmcille, are the patron saints of Ireland.

### St. Brigid's Cloak

One of the most common stories told about Brigid concerns her cloak. She asked King Leinster for land for a convent. He denied her and Brigid prayed that the Lord soften the king's heart. She asked if he would give her as much land as her cloak could cover. He agreed. Four sisters took up a corner of the cloak and ran in different directions. The cloak grew and covered a huge piece of land. The king relented and gave her the land she wanted.



### Word Find

ABBESS	HEALING	MIRACLES
CLOAK	ILLUMINATIONS	MONASTERY
FLAME	IRELAND	RELIGIOUS LIFE
GENEROUS	KILDARE	ST PATRICK

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