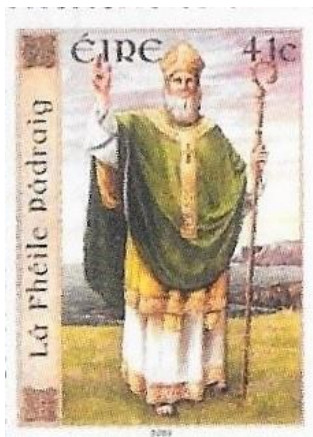




BIRMINGHAM & FERNDALE STAMP CLUB

March 2022

March 17th is Saint Patrick's Day. Like many early saints, his story is a mixture of legend and fact. However, beyond the colorful lore stands a real person whose deeds and words continue to inspire. Born in Scotland, England around 386 A.D., Saint Patrick was captured and enslaved by Irish pirates. He escaped slavery after six years and studied for the priesthood in France. Following a vision of the Irish people imploring his return, St. Patrick did return to Ireland. He was the first to preach the Gospel in Celtic language and symbolism. He became the Patron Saint of Ireland.



Saint Patrick
Ireland, Scott #1457

Notes from our February 15th meeting:

Charlie Woods made an interesting presentation on "Mourning Covers", often used to invite people to funerals or to thank them for attending services or other demonstrations of sympathy.

Sixty auction lots were presented with twenty-seven sales.

Upcoming events:

March Club meetings - 1st and 15th at NEXT Senior Center, Birmingham.

MICHIPEX 2022 – March 12th and 13th at the Sokol Cultural Center, Dearborn Hts.

Modern Stamps, Sale #500, April 9th at its Oak Park facility.

Call for philatelic articles:

Club members are encouraged to provide philatelic articles for the Birmingham – Ferndale Stamp Club Newsletter. Send me your notes, scans, and ideas - we will work them into an article.

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