

Eat corned beef and enjoy St. Patrick's Day

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Friday is St. Patrick's Day, and local pubs are getting ready for one of the busiest days of the year. This year, St. Patrick's Day falls on a Friday during Lent. But, if you're Catholic, don't worry. Faith and beggars, thanks to a little spiritual intervention, you get to enjoy your corned beef without guilt.

"I'm a realist," said Cardinal Adam Malda during an Ash Wednesday radio interview with Paul W. Smith on WJR. "As we reflect on the Irish tradition in Church, it is really a time for celebration. I will offer — for those who would like to take it for that day — a dispensation so that Catholics can, in good faith, celebrate the traditions of our Irish heritage and be thankful to the Lord for all the blessings that come to us because of that."

Now, the hard part, deciding where to celebrate. Here are some suggestions:

■ **Aubree & Sticks** — 39 E. Cross, Depot Town, Ypsilanti, (734) 463-1870. Open 11 a.m. to 2 a.m. Monday-Saturday; noon to 2 p.m. Sunday. Menu: Corned beef, Irish stew and Shepherd's pie (kitchen manager Chad Clay says it's the best) plus burgers, pizza, sandwiches and Mexican food. Lots of green beer.

■ **Balley's Pub & Grille** — 1777 Canton Center Road, Canton, (734) 844-1137. Open 3 p.m. to 2 a.m. Monday-Thursday; 11 a.m. to 2 a.m. Friday-Sunday. Menu: Gourmet pub-style fare, including steaks, fish and chips, and ribs.

■ **Diamond Jim Brady's Bistro** — 28053 Town Center, Novi, (248) 360-8460. Open 11:30 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday-Thursday; 11:30 a.m. to 11 p.m. Friday

and Saturday; 4-8 p.m. Sunday. On St. Patrick's day, an Irish band will play tunes from 6:30-10:30 p.m. Menu: Corned beef and cabbage, lamb stew, beef and beer stew served over Calceonnon (mashed potatoes with sauteed saavy cabbage and scallions, yams), Irish pancakes and smoked salmon, and Guinness Stout chocolate cake. Special Irish beers, Irish whiskey and Irish coffee.

■ **Cowley's Old Village Inn**, 33338 Grand River, downtown Farmington, (313) 474-6941. Open 10 a.m. to 2 a.m. Monday-Saturday; closed Sunday. Open 7 a.m. St. Patrick's Day. "Black-thorn" performs noon to 4 p.m. and "Company" of Strangers 5 p.m. to 1 a.m. St. Patrick's Day Menu: Corned beef and cabbage, Irish stew, corned beef sandwiches, and chicken strips. Regular menu offers fish and chips and a variety of sandwiches.

■ **Connor O'Neill's** — 318 S. Main St., Ann Arbor, (734) 666-5800. Open 11:30 a.m. to 2 a.m. Monday-Friday; 11:30 a.m. to 2 a.m. Saturday-Sunday. Open 7 a.m. St. Patrick's Day. Irish dancers will perform in the afternoon. Menu: Fish and chips, corned beef and cabbage, and Shepherd's pie.

■ **Duffy's Den** — 24800 W. Six Mile Road between Telegraph and Beech Daily, Detroit, (313) 538-0040. Open 9:30 a.m. to 2 a.m. Monday-Saturday; noon to 2 a.m. Sunday. Menu: Corned beef sandwiches, hamburgers and other sandwiches.

■ **Dunleavy's Pub & Grub** — 34505 Grand River Ave., Farmington, (248) 478-8866. Open 11 a.m. to 2 a.m. Monday-Saturday; 4-9 p.m. Sunday. Live entertainment throughout the day. Menu: Corned beef and cabbage during the day and Irish stew and corned beef sandwiches in the evening.

■ **Dunleavy's River Place** — 287 Joe Cassano, Detroit, (313) 259-0909. Open 11:30 a.m. to 2 a.m. Monday-Friday; 4:30 p.m. to 2 a.m. Saturday; closed Sunday except for special occasions. Two bands will entertain on St. Patrick's Day. Menu: Corned beef and cabbage, Irish stew and other specialties. No green beer. "It stains everything," said owner Paul Zosel.

■ **Gaelic League Irish American Club** — 2088 Michigan Ave., Detroit, (313) 963-8895 or (313) 964-8700. Open 2 p.m. to midnight Tuesday-Wednesday; 2 p.m. to 2 a.m. Thursday; noon to 2 a.m. Friday-Sunday. Entertainment on St. Patrick's Day. Menu to be determined. Call for information.

■ **Jack Dunleavy's Grille** — 340 N. Main St., Plymouth, (734) 456-3700. Open 11 a.m. to midnight Monday-Wednesday (kitchen closes 10 p.m.); 11 a.m. to 1 a.m. Thursday-Saturday (kitchen closes 10 p.m.); closed Sunday plus other pub fare. On St. Patrick's Day, Entertainment includes bagpipers during the day and singing in the evening. Menu: Corned beef and cabbage, Irish stew, fish and chips, Sally Dunleavy's special Irish soda bread plus other pub fare. On St. Patrick's day (two heated circuits open 10 a.m.). All-day live Irish entertainment on two stages, with WRIF broadcasting from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Menu: Corned beef and cabbage, corned beef sandwiches, Irish stew and other fare. Absolutely no green beer! "I'm a real Irish bar. I don't serve green beer," said owner Barbara Brady Kaufmann.

■ **Timber Wolf Tavern** — 26641 Plymouth Road, east of Beech Daily, Redford, (313) 937-1218. Open 11 a.m. to midnight Monday; 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesday and Wednesday; 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursday-Saturday; noon to

11 a.m. to midnight Monday-Wednesday; 11 a.m. to 2 a.m. Thursday-Saturday; 9 a.m. to 2 a.m. Sunday. St. Patrick's Day entertainment includes a "pipe and drum" group (after work hours), DJ and dancing, Irish music and lots of singing. Menu: Corned beef and cabbage, corned beef and cabbage, and green beer.

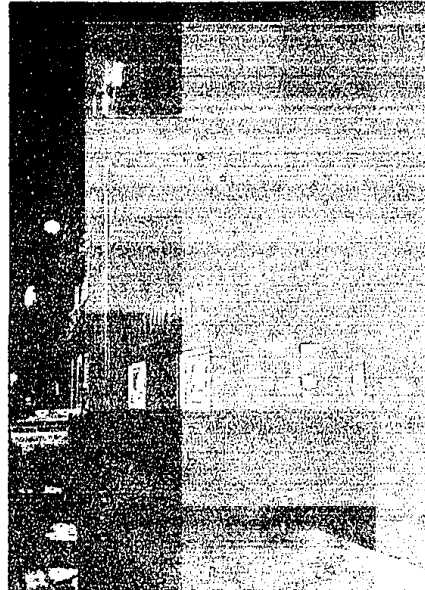
■ **Innisfree Irish Pub & Grill** — 6327 Middlebelt Road (near Ford Road), Garden City, (734) 425-2434. Open 4 p.m. to 2 a.m. Tuesday-Sunday; closed Monday. Open St. Patrick's Day 9 a.m. to 2 a.m. All-day entertainment by "Mullinger Irish," a duo flown over from Ireland. Menu: Fish and chips, Irish stew and corned beef sandwiches. Lots of Irish beer, including green.

■ **O'Malley's Day & Grill** — 15231 Farmington Road (at Five Mile Road), Livonia, (734) 427-7776. Open 11 a.m. to 1 a.m. Monday-Saturday; noon to midnight, Sunday. Open 7 a.m. on St. Patrick's Day. Menu: Something for everyone, including sandwiches, salads, soups, Irish specialties, ribs, chicken and fish.

■ **The Old Shillelagh** — 349 Monroe, Detroit, (313) 964-0007. Open 11 a.m. to 2:30 a.m. Monday-Sunday. Open 7 a.m. St. Patrick's day (two heated circuits open 10 a.m.). All-day live Irish entertainment on two stages, with WRIF broadcasting from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Menu: Corned beef and cabbage, corned beef sandwiches, Irish stew and other fare. Absolutely no green beer! "I'm a real Irish bar. I don't serve green beer," said owner Barbara Brady Kaufmann.

■ **Farwell & Friends** — 8051 Middlebelt, Westland, (734) 421-6900. Open 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday-Sunday (kitchen closes 10 p.m. Sunday-Wednesday and 11 p.m. Thursday-Saturday). St. Patrick's Day entertainment by the "O'Lost & McFound" band. Menu: Corned beef and cabbage, Mulligan stew, green beer and lots of specials.

■ **Fire Academy Brewery & Grill** — 6677 N. Wayne Road, Westland, (734) 595-1988. Open



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Celebration destination: Local pubs, including Cowley's Old Village Inn in downtown Farmington, are getting ready to welcome customers on St. Patrick's Day. Cowley's and other pubs will offer entertainment.

11 p.m. Sunday St. Patrick's Day TV give-away planned. Menu: Corned beef and cabbage, green beer and lots of drink and food

specials.
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■ **Big Rock Chop & Brew House** — 245 South Eton, Birmingham, is hosting its third annual Brewmaster Dinner, 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 21. Call (248) 647-7774 for tickets, which cost \$60 per person. Six courses paired with Brewmaster Dean Jones' microbrews. For sweet ending, Cherries Jubilee with Stout ice cream.

■ **Mardi Gras Madness** — The Henry Ford Community College Hospitality Department will hold its annual spring banquet 5:30-9:30 p.m. Saturday, April 1 in the Pagoda Room of the Student Center on the Dearborn campus.

■ **Michigan's Home and Garden Antiques Market** — 39th Most Exciting Antiques Show and Sale March 17, 18 and 19. At the Southfield Pavilion 4900 E. Woodward Farmington Hills, Mich. 48334. Sat. 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Sun. 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Mon. 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

HFCC students will prepare a variety of Southern, Cajun, Creole and Bayou style dishes. Tickets are \$35 per person, call (313) 845-9651. Event proceeds benefit the hospitality scholarship program. New Orleans style masks and costumes are not required, but preferred. Prizes will be given for the best one. The HFCC Dix-

ieland band will entertain guests throughout the evening.

■ **La Bistecca Italian Grille** — offers live jazz featuring Larry Nozoro and Friends, starting at 7:30 p.m. on the first Monday of every month.

■ **Two Chez Restaurant** — You can save 25 percent off every bottle on the wine list, over 300 labels, at Two Chez Restaurant, 27155 Sheraton Dr. in Novi, Monday-Thursday, through May 2000. Discount offered with meals only, wines by the glass are excluded. Call (248) 348-5555 for reservations and information.

The restaurant, which specializes in Piedmontese Beef, is at 39405 Plymouth Road, Plymouth. Call (734) 254-0400 for reservations and information.

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