



# St David

Saint David, the **patron saint** of Wales, lived in the **6th century** and became known for his **teachings** about **fairness**, **compassion**, and **humility**. He believed that people should live **peacefully** and help those who were less fortunate.

His **monastery** in **Pembrokeshire** was a place where people learned to live **simply**, farming their own food and caring for the **environment**. He was also known for performing **miracles**, such as making the ground rise beneath him while preaching so that everyone could see and hear him clearly.

Saint David's message of **kindness** and **equality** still inspires people today. He encouraged his followers to avoid **greed** and to focus on what truly mattered: helping others and being **grateful**. Each year, on **March 1st**, Wales celebrates **Saint David's Day**, a time to remember his teachings and Welsh culture. People wear **daffodils** and **leeks**, listen to traditional music, and take pride in their **heritage**. In some areas, special church services are held, and children take part in school performances honouring Saint David's legacy.



## Glossary

- **Patron saint** - A special person chosen as a protector of a place or group.
- **6th century** - The years from 500 to 599 AD.
- **Fairness** - Treating everyone equally and justly.
- **Compassion** - Showing care and concern for others.
- **Humility** - Not thinking you are better than others.
- **Monastery** - A place where monks live and work.
- **Pembrokeshire** - A region in Wales where Saint David founded his monastery.
- **Miracles** - Amazing events that cannot be easily explained.
- **Equality** - Treating everyone the same way, no matter who they are.
- **Heritage** - Traditions, history, and culture passed down over time.

1. What was Saint David's monastery in Pembrokeshire used for?
2. What was one of Saint David's famous miracles?
3. How does Wales honor Saint David's legacy today?
4. Why did Saint David believe in living simply?

### ACE Questions for Level 3

- **Analyse:** How did Saint David's teachings impact the people of his time?
- **Create:** Design a poster encouraging people to celebrate Saint David's Day.
- **Evaluate:** Do you think Saint David's teachings are still relevant today? Why or why not?