

Irish Music

"If You're Irish / McNamara's Band / With a Shil"

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If you're Irish come into the parlour
There's a welcome there for you
If your name is Timothy or Pat
So long as you come from Ireland
There's a welcome on the mat
If you come from the mountains of Mourne
Or Killarney's lakes so blue
We'll sing you a song, we'll make it a fuss
Whoever you are you're one of us
If you're Irish this is the place for you

Oh me name is McNamara I'm the leader of the band Although we're small in number We're the finest in the land We play at wakes and weddings And every country ball And when we play at funerals We play the best of all Oh the drums go bang and the cymbals clang And the horns they blaze away McCarthy pumps the old bassoon, while Doyle the pipes will play Oh! Hennessey Tennessey tootles the flue, And the music is something grand Oh! A credit to old Ireland, boys, is McNamara's band

With a shillelagh under me arm
And a twinkle in me eye
I'm off to Tipperary in the morning
With a shillelagh under me arm
And a turra lurra lie
I'll be welcome in the hall where I was born in
My mother told the neighbors
I'm gonna settle down
Still the fluters coming out
To play me round the town
With a shillelagh under me arm
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Now Hannigan was an Irish man He came from Erin's Isle He was a rogue who had a brogue You'd hear for half a mile When Hannigan gave a hooley Sure the news soon got about And you may be a stranger If you're passing by he'll shout Come into the parlour boy And make yourself at home Come into the parlour Sure you won't be on your own There's Mick McGee there's Rafferty there's Murphy and Muldoon They say McGilligan's daugther Doesnt' know the taste of water There's kegs of stout we'll stick 'em out There's grub for half the town There's bottles of the poitin If you want to wash it down So if you're Irish you're sure of a welcome For there's a hooley on in Hannigan's house tonight

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