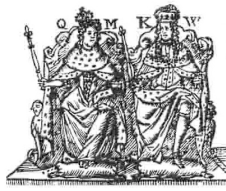


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## Irish People Eat Babies? No, not really!

The Irish are noted for their drinking, but have you heard about their eating abilities? Irish writer James Joyce created one of the most interesting “men of appetites,” Mr. Leopold Bloom, who “ate with relish the inner organs of beasts and fowls. He liked thick giblet soup, nutty gizzards, a stuffed roast heart, liver slices fried with crustcrumbs, fried hen-cod’s roe. Most of all he liked grilled mutton kidneys which gave to his palate a fine tang of faintly scented urine.” Yum!

Of course the Irish literary palate is wide-ranging. Irish novelist Bram Stoker’s character Dracula preferred a liquid diet, but Jonathan Swift, a fellow Irish writer, was the most unconventional of all with his modest proposal that impoverished children “be offered in sale to persons of quality and fortune,” noting that if children are “seasoned with a little pepper or salt will be very good boiled.”

You can find these tasty morsels in the English literature (PR) section of the Swem stacks.



## Vote for Your Favorite Irish Movie!

Have a favorite movie set in Ireland?

You may find it in our collections! Here are some of the movies you can check out at Swem or the Wolf Law Library: The Matchmaker, The Commitments, The Boxer, The Snapper, Leap Year, Crying Game and Waking Ned Devine.

And there’s many more! Tell us which one is your favorite, or add your favorite to our list! Scan the QR code to the right and then cast your ballot! **You’ll be entered into a drawing to win a \$20 Mooyah gift card!**

## ☘ A Wee Bit O’ Fun ☘

In honor of St. Patrick’s Day, here’s one of our favorite bad Irish jokes. Please forgive us for just how bad this is!

*Two Irishmen were adrift in a life boat following a dramatic escape from a burning freighter. While rummaging through the boat's provisions, one of the men stumbled across an old lamp. Secretly hoping that a genie would appear, he rubbed the lamp vigorously. To the amazement of the castaways, a genie came forth. This particular genie, however, stated that he could only deliver one wish, not the standard three.*

*Without giving much thought to the matter the man blurted out, "Make the entire ocean into beer!"*

*The genie clapped his hands with a deafening crash, and immediately the entire sea turned into the finest brew ever sampled by mortals.*

*Simultaneously, the genie vanished. Only the gentle lapping of beer on the hull broke the stillness as the men considered their circumstances.*

*One man looked disgustedly at the other whose wish had been granted. After a long, tension filled moment, he spoke: "Nice going idiot! Now we're going to have to piss in the boat."*

## Swem’s DVDs are migrating!

Our DVD collection is moving! It is now going to be located on the 1<sup>st</sup> floor, to the left of the Circulation desk area (you know, over by the light purple wall). Check out our collection of popular movies, television shows, documentaries and more!

