Saint Brendan's Fair Isle

------C-----------------G----------------C--------F
We sailed for Saint Brendan's fair isle, fair isle,
-----C------------------G---------------C
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C--------------------G-C----F-----C
When I was a lad on the Em-er-ald Isle,
---F--------C--------------G-----C--G--C--Am
I was told many stories both love-ly and wild;
---C---------------------G-----C---F----C
A-bout the great drag-ons and mon-sters that be,
-------F-----C--------------------G----C-----G--C--Am
That swal-lowed the ships as they sailed on the sea;
------F
'Tho I was an artist with canvas and paints,
---C
I sailed with Saint Brendan and his jolly saints;
------F
We told our dear friends, "Goodbye for a while!"
------C-----------------G----------------C--------F
We sailed for Saint Brendan's fair isle, fair isle,
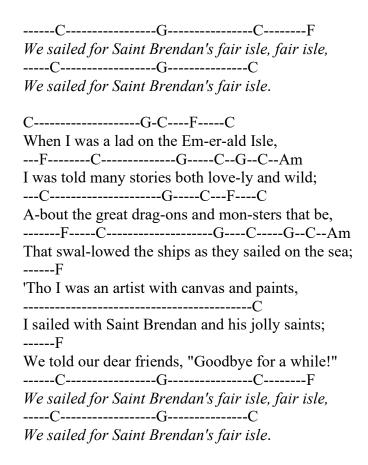-----C------------------G---------------C
We sailed for Saint Brendan's fair isle.

We had not been sailing but ninety-four days,
When we came to a spot where the sea was ablaze;
Them demons from Hell was dancing with glee,
And burning the sailors alive on the sea;
Saint Brendan strode forth on the simmering waves;
He drove all them demons right back to their caves,
And all of them saints beamed a heavenly smile,
We sailed for Saint Brendan's fair isle, fair isle,
We sailed for Saint Brendan's fair isle.

One night while the brethren were lying asleep,
A great dragon rose, up from the deep;
He thundered and lightninged and made a great din;
He awoken Saint Brendan and all of our men;
That dragon he charged with his mouth open wide;
We threw in a cross and the great dragon died;
We skinned him, we cooked him, and feasted
awhile,
We sailed...

At last we drew near that beautiful land;
We all rowed ashore and walked on the sand;
We took up our longbows and killed a Zebu;
We roasted it up, had hot barbecue,
And then while we were singing this song,
We noticed the island was moving along;
We ate and we drank and we rode in high style,
We sailed...

Now Brendan he said, "This is just what I wish!
We ride on the back of the world's biggest fish!
Hold fast to the rope that is towing our ship,
We'll need it someday if this fish takes a dip!"
We sailed every ocean, we sailed every sea,
We sailed every spot that a sailor could be.
In forty-four days we sailed ten million miles!
We sailed...