

7 Quick Takes Friday: Gearing up for St. Patrick's Day, how Lent is going, enjoying toy trains, the flashlight that might be at the end of a tunnel, meatless dinners, and reading fortunes

Now that our Chinese New Year festivities are complete, we are gearing up for all the Irish-American fun we can muster. That will mean corned beef and cabbage, a viewing of *The Quiet Man*, and some homemade Irish soda bread. I'm not sure we'll make it to Baltimore's St. Patrick's Day