

Seven Nations, A Rare Auld Time

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(Written by Kirk McLeod and Aiden McGovern, arranged by Kirk McLeod)

It's three a.m. and we're down at Bridie's
The music's grand the craic it flows
With Wally Putt and Gard O'Brien
The best of times we've ever known

So raise your glasses to the heavens
The O'Reilly's and the Nevin's
It's just as well a chara
The tables are nailed down
Paidi Murphy's on his second
With McDuff and the Reverend
We're having ourselves a rare auld time

Now Thom O'Neil is going crazy
He's doing a jig now with the wife
She doesn't know it's Friday's money
He's spent in Bridie's Thursday night

Now ashtrays fly and chairs fall over
There'll be hell to pay by daylight
But we don't care t'is surely liftin'
To see the glint in old Thoms' eye

So raise your glasses to the heavens
The O'Reilly's and the Nevin's
It's just as well a chara
The tables are nailed down
Paidi Murphy's on his fourth
With O'Conner and McCourt
We're having ourselves a rare auld time

All's quiet now in Danny's corner
A drop of dew was his taste
We miss the man since he met the coroner
His humor never went to waste

The story goes he walks by moonshine
The auld ones hear him every night
They say he sings down by the ditches
Raisin' hell until the break of light

So raise your glasses to the heavens
The O'Reilly's and the Nevin's
It's just as well a chara
The tables are nailed down
Paidi Murphy's on his eighth
With Jimmy Joyce and Yeats
We're having ourselves a rare auld time

Sweet Mary Clare has roses bloomin'
The lads are giving her the eye
But she just wants to get back with Patrick
After telling him goodbye

Now Gerry Byrne has called for ciunas
His Kate has fallen in a trance
a voice so pure t'would give ya shivers
But soon she'll break into a dance

So raise your glasses to the heavens
The O'Reilly's and the Nevin's

It's just as well a chara
The tables are nailed down
Paidi Murphy's on his ninth
Dylan Thomas, Oscar Wilde
We're havin' ourselves a rare auld time

Good ol' Murphy's on his tenth
Jaysus Behan's really bent
It's just as well a chara the tables are nailed down
Sean O' Casey, Kavanaugh
How the hell is Ballina?
We're having ourselves a rare auld time

Now it's Murphy's on his back
Behan's having one on Jack
It's just as well a chara the tables are nailed down
Now it's Behan's on the floor
Murphy's callin' out for more
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