



### Saint Nicholas

- Saint Nicholas was a bishop of Myra (south-west Turkey), and was born in 280AD, in Patara, a city of Lycia.
- He was often called the gift-giver of Myra, as his gifts always got given late at night, so that his identity stayed a secret.
- A festival, called St Nicholas day, is often held on 6<sup>th</sup> Dec in many parts of Europe.
- One famous legend about him went a bit like this, ‘Once there lived a man, who had three daughters. The man had a problem, and that was that he did not have any money to give to his daughters for their weddings. Then St Nicholas dropped bags of gold into the girls’ stockings and they all got married and lived happily ever after.
- St Nic died 342AD. It is thought that he was the original Father Christman/ Santa Claus.