

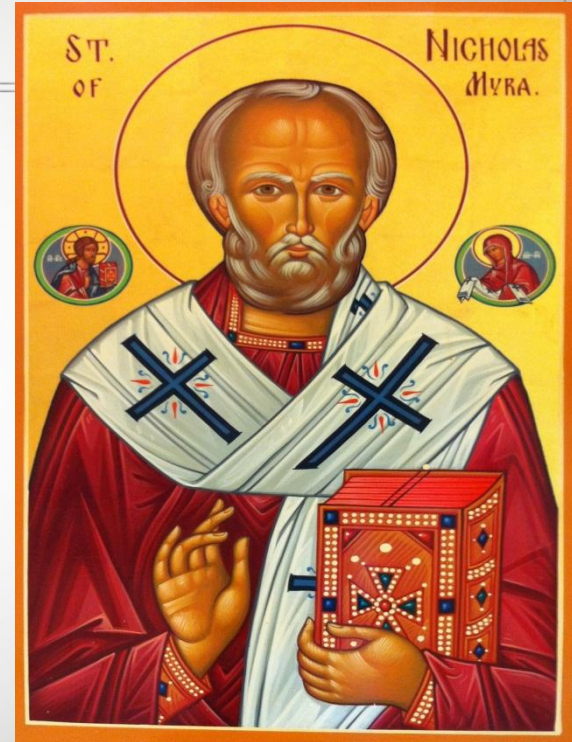


SANTA CLAUSE HAS MANY NAMES. THEY ARE FATHER FROST, SAINT NICOLAS, FATHER CHRISTMAS, KRIS KRINGLE, OR SIMPLY «SANTA».



## ORIGIN (LEGEND)

1. SAINT NICOLAS WAS A REAL MAN.  
HE LIVED IN GREECE.  
NICHOLAS WAS FAMOUS FOR HIS  
GENEROUS GIFTS TO THE POOR.
2. SANTA WEARS A RED COAT. THIS  
IMAGE BECAME POPULAR IN THE  
UNITED STATES AND CANADA IN THE  
19TH CENTURY.



# NOWADAYS

He is a old man. Children wait for him and believe that while they are sleeping he comes to visit. He has got many gifts and presents in his big sack.

He puts them in the children`s stockings.



He has become popular through song, radio, television, and films. In Europe too, a similar character commonly called Father Christmas is popular.

### I love waiting for Father Frost

❖ The American version of Santa Claus lives at the North Pole, where he lives with Mrs. Claus.

