

St. Valentine



St. Valentine was a Christian priest and doctor. He lived a long time ago in Rome. He was very kind and brave.

In those days, the Roman Emperor banned Christian marriages. So St. Valentine would help Christians get married in secret.

One day, he was caught helping a Christian couple. He was thrown into prison.

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The jailer's daughter was blind. The jailer asked St. Valentine if he could cure her. St. Valentine cured her blindness and helped her to see again!

One day, he wrote her a note and signed it, "Your Valentine." The next day, on February 14, St. Valentine was put to death because he would not give up his faith. He became a martyr.

On Valentine's Day, we think of love, marriage, and the kindness St. Valentine showed to all.

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Words to Know

Roman Emperor:

a powerful king who ruled over Rome and all its lands



ban:

to outlaw or not allow



martyr:

someone who gives up his/her life for the faith



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Do You Remember? Circle the correct answers.

1. St. Valentine was a:

soldier priest Christian doctor

2. St. Valentine lived in:

Paris Jerusalem Rome London

3. St. Valentine would help couples:

buy a house get married find gold

4. The jailer's daughter was:

blind deaf sick lame

5. On St. Valentine's day, we think of:

spring love St. Valentine kindness

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Do You Remember?

1. Who was St. Valentine?

2. Where did he live?

3. How did St. Valentine help Christian couples?

4. What was wrong with the jailer's daughter?

5. How did St. Valentine help her?

6. How did St. Valentine sign a note he sent her?

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