

Come, o blessed of My Father!



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# The Children's Word

"Let the little children come to me, and do not forbid them, for to such is the Kingdom of Heaven." Mark 10:14

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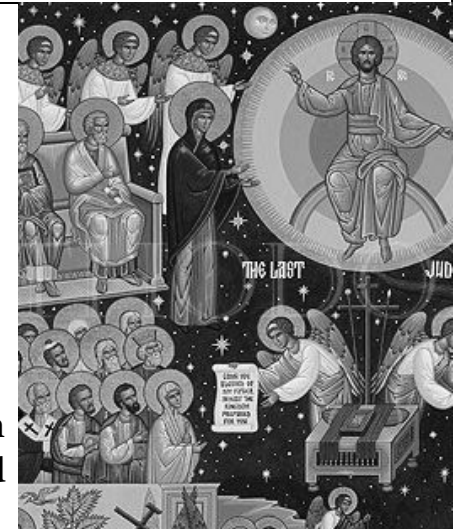
## Feeding the Lord

**Have you ever had a chance to** help the hungry? Not just making a snack for yourself, but really helping some people who don't have much to eat or money to buy food. Have you packed meals, or have you given money to IOCC or a local food shelf? Have you helped at a soup kitchen?

In the Gospel today, we hear about how God wants us to help the hungry and the needy. In the story, God will welcome these faithful and helpful people into heaven. Why? Well, because our Lord Jesus Christ will say, "For I was hungry, and you gave me food. I was thirsty and you gave me drink."

Then, these happy people will ask, "When did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink?" And He will answer, "Truly, as you did it to one of the least of these my brethren, you did it to me."

God wants us to know that when we help others, it is like we are helping our Lord Jesus Christ Himself! When we give money to help the hungry or make meals at a soup kitchen, it is like we are helping Christ Himself! When we do anything to help somebody in a good way, we are helping the Lord. And that's why we want to help others—because we love God so much. We want to feed Him and clothe Him and visit Him!



# WORD SEARCH

Can you find these words in the jumble?

CHRIST  
EICHSTATT  
FEEDING  
GERMANY  
HUNGRY  
JUDGMENT  
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PRINCESS  
RICHARD  
SAINT  
WALBURGA

W Z A G F E D I A D L A T P M  
N O A U Q O R F R B R T E R F  
K U W Y C L A A J J A K M I I  
K O N M H M X W Z T U G O N J  
W A L B U R G A S J E M T C J  
G N I D E E F H Q R Z S Q E U  
D S A I N T C Q M D I Q T S I  
O R F P H I J A Q R J G Y S E  
T A A W E C N U H Y Z O R G U  
O L Z H R Y X C D U Z X G Y R  
P P L Q C S N H U G P C N C A  
D Y C N J I M D N Z M V U B M  
L U E B E P R G V Y C E H M B  
Q A W Q D Z R J R U N L N A F  
D I L U X R P A K Q P U F T I

## What's in an icon?

This is an icon of St. Walburga's father, King Richard of Wessex (England).

He was a very fair and compassionate ruler. Did you notice his crown?



## SAINT WALBURGA

A HOLY GERMAN NUN



**You probably have friends named Nicholas or Katherine or George.**

Or that might be your own name. But you probably don't know anybody named Walburga!

On Tuesday, we'll celebrate Saint Walburga's feastday. Even though she has a strange name, she is a great example to us! Saint Walburga was a princess in England. She left her home to teach people in Germany about our Lord, Jesus Christ. (This was before many

people in Germany knew about Christ.) She started a women's monastery there. But even more importantly, she tried to live like Christ. She prayed to God all the time, and she was very humble. She tried to help everybody who came to her.

If you go to the German town of Eichstätt, you will see that her holy body (called her relics) are still there. Some holy oil comes from this, and lots and lots of people have been healed. You can even see all kinds of crutches all over the place in the little chapel. That's because the people didn't need them anymore after they prayed to Saint Walburga there!

Saint Walburga lived 1,300 years ago, but she hasn't stopped helping people who come to her!

**We celebrate St. Walburga on Tuesday, Feb. 25 (March 9, OC).**