

## Advent Day 6

### ***Today is the Feast of St Nicholas:***

The Dutch tradition of filling children's shoes with treats that they discover in the morning of St. Nicholas Day is observed by families around the world. St. Nicholas was a Christian bishop who cared and provided for the poor and sick in his homeland, now part of Turkey. His feast day is today because he's believed to have died on 6<sup>th</sup> Dec. 343. After his death, the stories of his generosity to those in need spread and we still tell them today. Because of his generosity to those in need, and his giving of gifts to the poor St. Nicholas is thought to be the basis for Santa Claus.



One mother posted this year on a parents' website her idea of leaving a little gift for her child in her shoe but also a card she can use to make a donation to a local charity or community project. What a good idea!

*What could I give today to bless someone else?*

*A smile?*

*My time and skills?*

*A gift or financial donation?*

*My prayers?*



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