

Fairies (Fearie)
and Others

Other Names for Fairies

Fair Folk- Welsh name, used in literature, Scandinavian myths.

Good Neighbors (honest folk)- Scotland, desire to give

no unnecessary offense

Green Children (Greenies, Greencoaties)- used in medieval literature, often used in modern fantasy literature

The Old People- refers to faeries living on earth longer than humans

Silent People (Sith- Irish/ Scottish Gaelic term)- people of peace, the still folk.

Elf (Alfar from Nordic & Teutonic language)- associated with mountains and water, the relationship between faeries & earth



Do's and Don'ts

Don't ever ask a nature spirit's name. This is bad manners and, besides, they won't tell you. It is said that knowledge of a faery name by another confers power over the faery on that person.

Never eat their food, even when offered, because something may be asked for in return. Accepting the faery cake may put you under an obligation to them.

Some nature spirits dislike being disturbed by humans or even being seen by them. Never intrude. If they run from you, don't give chase and if they ask you to leave, go.

Never put a faery down or make comparisons that put them in a bad light. Claiming, for instance, that a child is fairer than a faery is certain to provoke their anger.

Some traditions warn of even speaking of the faeries.

Above all, tread lightly.

Icelandic Trolls

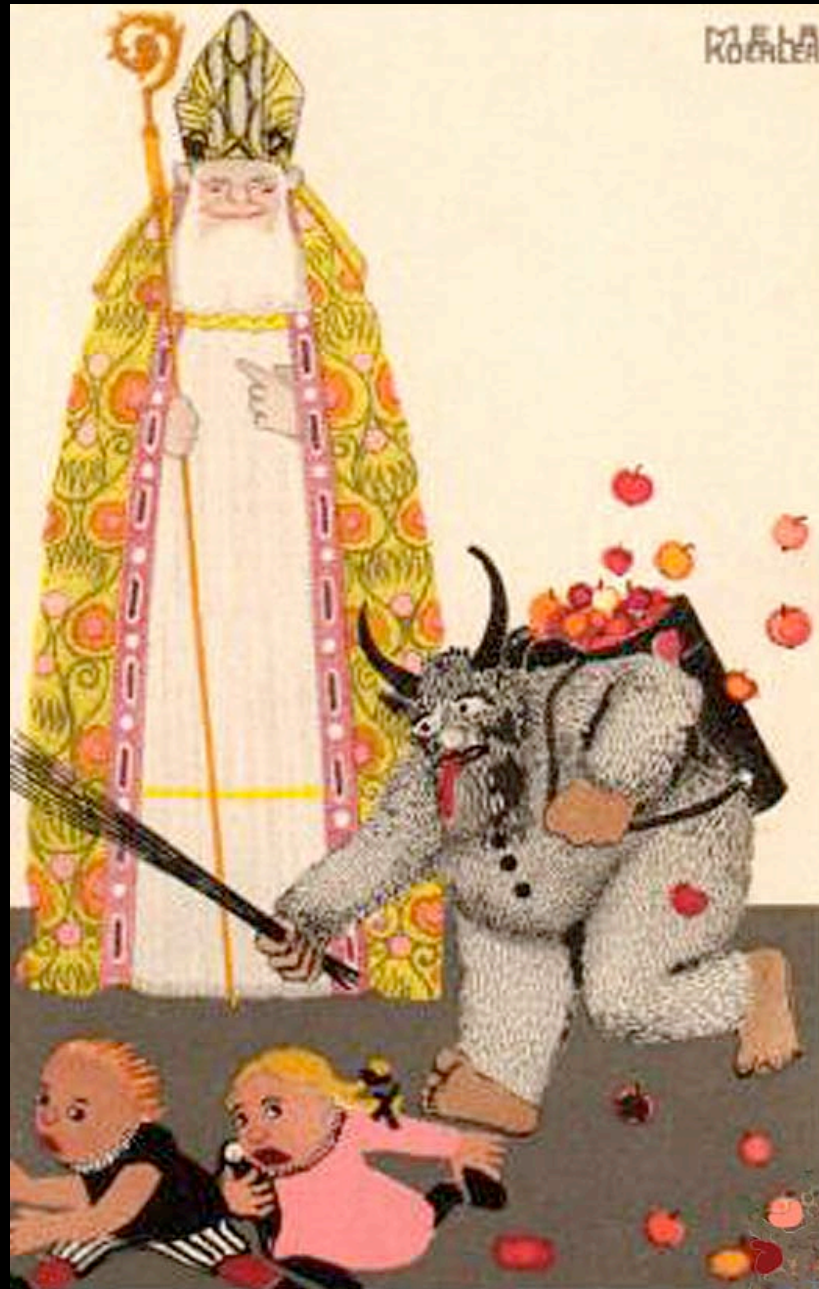












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