

THE MIRACLES OF ST. BENEDICT

(21) Give Us This Day

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A famine in the region of [Campania](#) was the cause of great suffering. Benedict's monastery was not exempt from this as their supply of food was running dangerously low. Their food and grain were all gone, and they found themselves sitting down to a meal of their last five loaves of bread. Noticing how downcast his monks were, Benedict gently corrected them for their lack of trust in God. He tried to raise their spirits saying, "Why are you depressed at the lack of bread? Today there may be only a little, but tomorrow you will have more than you need." The next morning thirty sacks of flour of one-hundred weight each were found at the monastery gate. Even though the monks did not know who their benefactor was, they rejoiced, knowing that God had provided for them in their time of need.

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