

Legend of our Lady of Paraíso

In the early days of nationality, in lands today belonging to Vale do Paraíso, appeared, in the trunk of an old tree, the image of a Saint, our Lady of Paraíso. Legend has it that, initially, the image was taken in procession to the Church of Nossa Senhora da Purificação, in Aveiras de Cima. However, of the three times that they tried to take the image appeared close to that tree.

It was in this way that the inhabitants of the neighborhood decided to build it in a little chapel.

Local Festivities

Religiosity and faith of the people of the parish of Vale do Paraíso are expressed through the party that performs in honor of our patron saint, Our Lady of Paraíso. This festivity is celebrated in December, us day 17, 18, 19 and 20, but the 18 day stands as the primary, once it is on that date that meets the procession through the streets of the parish.

The traditional dancing and singing in the parish of Vale do Paraíso have been preserved by the Rancho Folclórico dances and songs of Vale do Paraíso.

Currently, in folklore festivals and various ethnographic events, where are revived the uses and customs of other times.

In their performances, the elements of the Rancho Folclórico dances and songs of Vale do Paraíso wear typical costumes from this region. Are such as the dancing and singing, recalled in folklore festivals and various ethnographic events as accurate recreations of ancient times.

In the parish of Vale do Paraíso, even today, remember the usual practice traditional games, which shows the game of dreidel and the hopscotch, used to fill the leisure time.