

From distant pagan times came to us Russian carnival. The ancient Slavs it was a multi-day celebration marked the farewell to winter, the People loved him and was styled with gentle words: "Shrovetide fair", "fun", "kasatochka"



The whole week of the celebration of carnival in ecclesiastical terminology was called "myasopust", complete abstinence from meat dishes, such as preparing for a stern and rigorous days of lent that will follow, immediately after the carnival and will last 7 weeks, until Easter. But the people here found a way out of conditions of Shrovetide: do not eat meat, but there are milk, curds, cheese. Here in the nation this week is called "cheese week". In addition, it is forbidden to fish. But the main attribute this, not winter, holiday, Russians have always considered pancakes.

Monday - meeting

In this day of straw did the Shrovetide Scarecrow, dressed in old women's clothes, were placed on a pole and singing carried it on sleigh around the village.



Tuesday - start of merriment

- From that day began all sorts of activities: sleigh rides, folk festivals, performances, singing ditties. On the streets across large groups of mummers across the familiar houses. It was held in high esteem, and other simple fun - skiing the icy mountains.



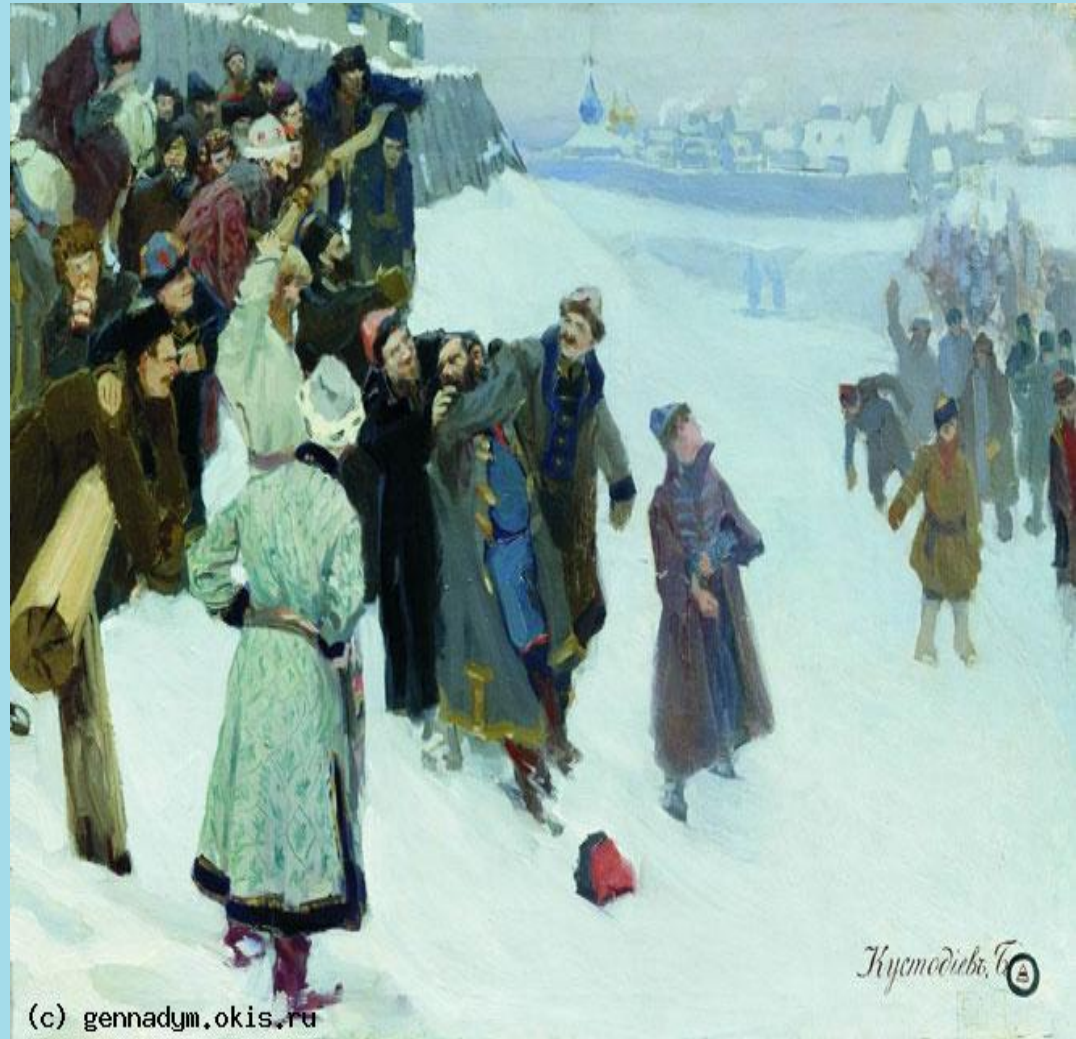
Wednesday - gourmand

She opened treat all homes pancakes and other dishes. Every family tables were laid with delicious food, baked pancakes. Everywhere there were stalls. They sold hot drinks, honey cakes



Thursday - revelry

- On this day, had the middle of games and fun. It was then passed hot and fistfights. Were they and their strict rules. It was impossible, for example, to lay a heavy fist is nothing to beat lying, two attack one, hit below the belt or on the back of the



Friday - Teschin evening

- A number of Shrovetide customs was directed to hasten the wedding, to help single young people find a mate. However, the most important event was the visit of mother-in-law sons-in-law, for whom she baked pancakes and had a feast.



Saturday 2010vkina gatherings

On this day, sisters-in-law hosted the family.



Воскресенье – проводы, прощёный день

- If in the course of the year than the Russians or insulted each other, we met in "forgiveness Sunday", they certainly greeted each other with a kiss and one of them said, "Forgive me, please!" Another answered: "God forgive me!"

