



South Tyrol – Land of Myths and Legends

The Holy Oil at the Little Church of St. Cosmas in Siebeneich

Not far from the little Church of St. Cosmas and Damian, above Siebeneich, there is a large stone, the top of which has a deep notch. Wonderful oil, which was very healing, was found inside from time to time. This went on for many years. So many pilgrims climbed up to the secluded church, prayed there, and took the miraculous oil. Later, the chapel – together with everything that belonged to it – came into the possession of a greedy man, who wanted to sell the oil. He had the stone locked up so that he could sell the oil to the pilgrims for a handsome price. When the pilgrims requested the oil and the man would only give it to them in exchange for a fee, the last drop of oil dried up forever.