

## List of Names and Their Patron Saints

Feast Day	Name	Meaning	Who was the Saint?
	<b>Aaron</b>	lofty mountain	<b>Aaron</b> was the brother of Moses, and High Priest of the Old Law.
	<b>Abigail</b> Abbie, Abby	the Father is happy	<b>Abba</b> is the Hebrew word for "Daddy", God the Father. He is our Abba, our Daddy. Your patron is Daddy-God!
Dec. 20	<b>Abraham</b> Abram	father of many	God set into motion the plan of salvation by testing <b>Abraham's</b> faith. He was willing to sacrifice his son Isaac in obedience to God, but God provided a substitute—a ram—as a sign of the coming of the Messiah.
Dec. 4	<b>Ada</b>	happy	Saint <b>Ada</b> was the abbess of a convent in France and dedicated to keeping herself pure for Jesus. She is noted in France as patroness of religious women.
	<b>Adam</b> Adan	first of the Earth	First man and father of the human race.
Dec. 24	<b>Adele</b> Adalie, Adela, Adelaide, Adelina, Adeleine, Aline	noble	Saint <b>Adele's</b> first vocation was as a wife and mother. She served God by taking care of her family, praying, and doing works of mercy. When her husband died, she became a nun and founded a convent. As its first abbess, she ruled with great compassion and holiness.
Jan. 9	<b>Adrian</b> <b>Adrienne</b> Adria, Adriana	brave	Saint <b>Adrian of Canterbury</b> was a highly successful missionary in pagan England, and a great teacher of Bible study.
Feb. 5	<b>Agatha</b> Agathe, Agathy	good	While Saint <b>Agatha</b> was being tortured for her faith, God interrupted her agonies with an earthquake. She thanked him for bringing an end to her pain and passed immediately into Heaven as a blessed martyr.
Jan. 21	<b>Agnes</b> Ines, Inez, Neysa, Nina, Ninete	pure	Saint <b>Agnes of Rome</b> was only a teenager when she had to decide between life and dying for Jesus. She had been ordered to sacrifice her virginity to pagan gods, and she sacrificed her life instead. She is the patron saint of engaged couples.
Mar. 2			Saint <b>Agnes of Prague</b> was very wealthy, and she freely used this gift to help the poor. She financed a hospital, a Franciscan friary and a Poor Clare convent. She never considered herself as above others, and even after she became abbess, she cooked for the sisters and mended the clothes of lepers.
	<b>Alan</b> Alain, Allan, Allen	harmony	Our Lady told Blessed <b>Alan de la Roche</b> to revive the ancient Confraternity of the Most Holy Rosary. He was a Dominican Father in Brittany, a theologian famous for his sermons.
June 20	<b>Alban</b> <b>Alba</b> Albina	white	Saint <b>Alban</b> was converted by a priest whom he sheltered from persecutions and rescued by changing clothes with him. Patron saint of converts.
Nov. 15	<b>Albert</b> <b>Alberta</b> Albertina	illustrious	Saint <b>Albert the Great</b> was a bishop who introduced Greek and Arabic science to medieval Europe, raising understanding of botany, biology, physics, and other studies of nature. A scientist himself, he wrote many books on these subjects.
Oct. 11	<b>Alexander</b> Alistair, Alec, Alex, Sacha, Sandor <b>Alessandra</b> Alexis, Alexandra	helper of people	Saint <b>Alexander Sauli</b> became a bishop in a diocese where faith had died. Clergy and laity knew little about scripture and Church teachings. With the help of three friends, he inspired the people to new faith, corrected abuses, rebuilt broken down churches, and founded colleges and seminaries.