

Saints and Their Symbols

- ANCHOR. Sometimes three balls, or three children in a tub. Bishop's robes.
- ANGEL or Man.
- ANGEL holding a book. Benedictine habit.
- ANGEL. Crown of red and white roses. Musical instruments. Palm.
- ANGEL holding a flame-tipped arrow. Dove. Carmelite habit.
- ANGEL with pyx or chalice. Franciscan habit. Cardinal's hat on a tree or at his feet.
- ANGEL holding fruit or flowers. Crown. Palm.
- ANGEL ploughing in the background. Spade.
- ARROW. Banner with a red cross. Crown. Sometimes surrounded by many virgins. Palm.
- ARROWS, pierced by. Bound to a tree or column.
- AXE.
- BAG of money. Book. Pen and inkhorn.
- BALLS, three. Bishop's robes.
- BANNER with black Imperial eagle. Royal robes. Palm.
- BANNER, with red cross. Arrow. Crown. Sometimes surrounded by many virgins.
- BEDS in background. Dark brown habit and hood.
- BEEHIVE at his feet. Books. Bishop's robes.
- S. Nicholas of Myra, 326. Patron saint of Russia, and many seaports; also of children.
- S. Matthew, Apostle, Evangelist, M.
- S. Frances of Rome, 1440.
- S. Cecilia, V.M., 280. Patron saint of music and musicians.
- S. Teresa of Avila, 1582. Patron saint of Spain. Foundress of the reformed Carmelites.
- S. Bonaventure, 1274.
- S. Dorothy of Cappadocia, V.M., 303.
- S. Isidore the Ploughman, 1170. Patron saint of agriculture.
- S. Ursula, V.M. Patron saint of young girls, and women engaged in girls' education.
- S. Sebastian, M., 288. Patron saint against the plague and pestilence.
- S. Matthias, Apostle., M.
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- S. Wenceslaus of Bohemia, M., 938.
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- S. John of God, 1550, Founder of the Hospitallers.
- S. Ambrose, 397. One of the Four Latin Fathers of the Church.

BEGGAR, half naked, at his feet, or receiving part of his cloak.	S. Martin of Tours, 397. Patron saint of penitent drunkards.
BEGGAR at his feet. Dark brown habit and hood.	S. John of God, 1550. Founder of the Hospitallers.
BEGGARS at her feet. Carrying roses in her mantle. Royal robes or Franciscan habit.	S. Elizabeth of Hungary, 1231. Queen and mother of the poor.
BEGGARS, giving alms to. Widow's veil. Crown. Franciscan habit.	S. Elizabeth of Portugal, 1336. Queen. Member of the Third Order of St. Francis.
BELL suspended from the top of a crutch. Hog.	S. Anthony, Hermit, 357.
BLOOD flowing from his head. Generally pierced by a sword or axe. Dominican habit.	S. Peter, Martyr, 1252. Dominican priest and defender of the Faith against heresies.
BLOOD flowing from his head. Bishop's robes.	S. Thomas á Becket, M., 1170.
BOOK transfixed by a sword, or stained with blood. Bishop's robes over Benedictine habit.	S. Boniface, 755. Apostle of Germany.
BOOKS. Sometimes a heart, flaming or transfixed by an arrow. Bishop's robes.	S. Augustine, 430
BOX of ointment. Surgical instruments. Two men together in red robes.	SS. Cosmas and Damian, M., 301. Patron saints of medicine.
BRANCH of olive. Lamb. Palm.	S. Agnes, V.M., 304.
CARDINAL, barefooted, with a rope round neck.	S. Charles Borromeo, 1584.
CARDINAL'S HAT, on a tree or at his feet. Franciscan habit.	S. Bonaventure, 1274.
CARDINAL'S HAT, at his feet or near him. Emaciated, old, and ragged, or in Cardinal's robes. Lion. Church in his hand.	S. Jerome, 420. One of the Four Latin Fathers of the Church. Founder of Monachism in the West. Patron saint of scholars.
CARPENTER'S or builder's square.	S. Thomas, Apostle, M. Patron saint of builders and architects.
CHALICE or pyx. Franciscan habit. Cardinal's hat on a tree or at his feet.	S. Bonaventure, 1274.
CHALICE. Dominican habit. Star on his breast.	S. Thomas Aquinas, 1274.
CHILD on his shoulders. Walking through water.	S. Christopher, 364.
CHILD-CHRIST in his arms, or on a book. Franciscan habit.	S. Anthony of Padua, 1231.
CHILD in his arms, or at his feet.	S. Vincent de Paul, 1660. Founder of the Sisters of Charity
CHILDREN, three in a tub. Bishop's robes.	S. Nicholas of Myra, 326. Patron saint of Russia, and many seaports; also of children.

CHURCH in his hand. Emaciated, old, and ragged, or in Cardinal's robes. Cardinal's hat near. Lion.	S. Jerome, 420. One of the Four Latin Fathers of the Church. Founder of Monachism in the West. Patron saint of scholars.
CLOAK, dividing with beggar.	S. Martin of Tours, 397. Patron saint of penitent drunkards.
CLUB.	S. James the Less, Apostle, M.
CROSS, transverse, or X-shaped.	S. Andrew, Apostle, M.
CROSS at the end of a staff, or sometimes small in his hand, or T-shaped.	S. Philip, Apostle, M.
CROSS. Dragon. Crown. Palm.	S. Margaret, V.M., 306.
CROWN and scepter at his feet, or by his side. Lily. Young and in royal robes.	S. Casimir of Poland, 1458.
CROWN OF THORNS in hand. Franciscan habit or royal robes embroidered with fleur-de-lys.	S. Louis IX, King of France, 1270.
CROWN OF THORNS. Stigmata. Dominican habit. Lily.	S. Catherine of Siena, 1380.
CRUCIFIX. Dominican habit. Sometimes wings.	S. Vincent Ferrer, 1419.
CRUCIFIX. Pyx. Dominican habit.	S. Hyacinth, 1257.
CRUCIFIX. Lily. Surplice over black habit.	S. Francis Xavier, 1552. Patron saint of India.
CRUTCH with a bell hanging from it. Hog.	S. Anthony, Hermit, 357.
CUP, with serpent. Eagle.	S. John, Apostle, Evangelist.
CUP, broken. Benedictine habit.	S. Benedict, 543. Founder of Benedictine Order.
DEMON, bound. Inkhorn, pen, and papers. White habit. Sometimes beehive.	S. Bernard of Clairvaux, 1153. Founder of the Cistercian Order of reformed Benedictines.
DEMON, bound, at his feet. White over black habit. Monstrance, or cup.	S. Norbert, 1134. Founder of Premonstratesians.
DISH, eyes on. Sword or wound in her neck. Lamp. Palm.	S. Lucy, V.M., 303. Patron against eye diseases.
DISTAFF. Sheep. Sometimes basket of loaves.	S. Genevieve, 509. Patron saint of Paris.
DOG, with a torch in its mouth. Star on forehead. Lily. Dominican habit.	S. Dominic, 1221. Founder of Dominican Order.
DOG by his side. Pilgrim's shell and staff. Pointing to a wound in his leg.	S. Roch, 1327. Patron saint of the sick, particularly the plague-stricken.
DOVE on his shoulder, or hovering over his head. Pope's robes.	S. Gregory, 604. One of the Four Latin Fathers of the Church.
DOVE. Benedictine habit. Lily with St. Benedict.	S. Scholastica, 543. Sister of Saint Benedict.

DOVE. Heart with I.H.S., or Angel holding flame-tipped arrow. Carmelite habit.	S. Teresa of Avila, 1582. Patron saint of Spain. Foundress of the reformed Carmelites.
DRAGON at his feet. In armor. Standard. Palm.	S. George, M., 303. Patron saint of soldiers.
DRAGON under her feet. Cross. Crown. Palm.	S. Margaret, V.M., 306.
DRAGON, bound, at her feet. Pot of holy water. Keys at her girdle. Ladle.	S. Martha of Bethany, 84. Patron saint of cooks and housewives.
EAGLE. Sometimes a cup and serpent.	S. John, Apostle, Evangelist.
EYES on a dish. Wound in her neck. Lamp. Palm.	S. Lucy, V.M., 303. Patron against eye diseases.
FACE of Christ on a cloth.	S. Veronica of the Veil.
FINGER on his lip. Five stars over his head.	S. John Nepomucene, 1393. Patron saint of silence, bridges, and running water.
FISH and keys.	S. Peter, Apostle, M.
FLAME of fire in his hand, or on his breast. Lily. Franciscan habit.	S. Anthony of Padua, 1231.
FLEUR DE LYS embroidered on royal robes. Crown of thorns.	S. Louis IX, King of France, 1270.
FLOWERS in her hand, or crowned by. Palm.	S. Dorothy of Cappadocia, V.M., 303.
GRATE or gridiron. Sometimes only embroidered on his robe.	S. Laurence, M., 258.
HAIR, long, fair. Vase or box of alabaster.	S. Mary Magdalene. Patron of penitent women.
HAT, cardinal's. Old and emaciated. Sometimes Cardinal's robes. Lion.	S. Jerome, 420. One of the Four Latin Fathers of the Church. Founder of Monachism in the West. Patron saint of scholars.
HAT, cardinal's, at his feet. Franciscan habit.	S. Bonaventure, 1274.
HEAD of a man under her feet. Wheel. Crown. Palm.	S. Catherine of Alexandria, V.M., 307. Patron saint of places of education, of science, philosophy, and against diseases of the tongue.
HEAD, carrying his own. Bishop's robes.	S. Denis, M., 1st century. Patron saint of France.
HEART, flaming, or transfixed with an arrow. Bishop's robes, Book at his feet or in his hands.	S. Augustine, 430. One of the Four Latin Fathers of the Church.
HEART, crowned by thorns, I.H.S. in the sky.	S. Ignatius Loyola, 1556. Founder of Soc. of Jesus.
HEART with I.H.S. Carmelite habit. Sometimes crucifix and lily or dove.	S. Teresa of Avila, 1582. Patron saint of Spain. Foundress of the reformed Carmelites.
HOG. Bell and crutch.	S. Anthony, Hermit, 357.
HUNTSMAN. Stag with a crucifix between horns.	S. Hubert, 727. Patron saint of dogs and the chase.

I.H.S. on heart. Carmelite habit. Sometimes crucifix and lily or dove.

I.H.S. in the sky. Heart crowned by thorns.

I.H.S. on a tablet surrounded by rays. Franciscan habit. Sometimes three mitres.

INKHORN, pen, and papers. White habit. Beehive.

INSTRUMENTS, surgical. Two men in red robes. Palms.

KEYS.

KEYS at her girdle. Pot of holy water. Ladle. Dragon at her feet.

KNIFE.

LADLE. Dragon at her feet. Pot of holy water.

LAMB. Crucifix.

LAMB. Olive-branch. Palm.

LAMB. Lily. Franciscan habit. Stigmata.

LAMP. Wound in her neck. Eyes on dish. Palm.

LANCE.

LEG, pointing to a wound in. Pilgrim's shell and staff. Sometimes dog.

LILY.

LILY. Dominican habit. Star on his forehead.

LILY. Franciscan habit. Stigmata.

LILY. Franciscan habit. Flame of fire in his hand or on his breast.

LILY. Young and in royal robes. Crown and scepter at his feet or by his side.

LILY. Crucifix. Surplice over black habit.

LILY. Dove. Benedictine habit.

LILY. Cross. Pyx. Franciscan habit.

LILY. Crown of thorns, stigmata, Dominican habit.

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S. Ignatius Loyola, 1556. Founder of Soc. of Jesus.

S. Bernadine of Siena, 1444. Founder of the Order of Observants, reformed Franciscans.

S. Bernard of Clairvaux, 1153. Founder of the Cistercian Order of reformed Benedictines.

SS. Cosmas and Damian, M., 301. Patron saints of medicine.

S. Peter, Apostle, M.

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S. John the Baptist.

S. Agnes, V.M., 304.

S. Francis of Assisi, 1226. Founder of the Franciscan Order.

S. Lucy, V.M., 303. Patron against eye diseases.

S. Jude Thaddeus, Apostle, M.

S. Roch, 1327. Patron saint of prisoners and the sick, especially the plague-stricken.

S. Joseph.

S. Dominic, 1221. Founder of Dominican Order.

S. Francis of Assisi, 1226. Founder of the Franciscan Order.

S. Anthony of Padua, 1231.

S. Casimir of Poland, 1458.

S. Francis Xavier, 1552. Patron saint of India.

S. Scholastica, 543. Sister of Saint Benedict.

S. Clare, 1253. Foundress of the Poor Clare Nuns.

S. Catherine of Siena, 1380.

LILY. Javelin with point reversed. Palm.	S. Philomena, V.M., 303.
LION, generally winged.	S. Mark, Evangelist, M.
LION. Emaciated, old, and ragged, or in cardinal's robes. Cardinal's hat nearby.	S. Jerome, 420. One of the Four Latin Fathers of the Church. Founder of Monachism in the West. Patron saint of scholars.
LOAVES in basket. Shepherdess' dress and distaff.	S. Genevieve, 509. Patron saint of Paris.
MAN, or Angel.	S. Matthew, Apostle, Evangelist, M.
MITRES, three, on a book, or at feet. White habit.	S. Bernard of Clairvaux, 1153. Founder of the Cistercian Order of reformed Benedictines.
MITRES, three. Franciscan habit.	S. Bernardine of Siena, 1411.
MONSTRANCE of the Blessed Sacrament. White over black habit. Sometimes demon bound.	S. Norbert, 1134. Founder of Premonstratensians.
MULE, kneeling. Flame in his hand. Franciscan habit.	S. Anthony of Padua, 1231.
MUSICAL instruments. Palm.	S. Cecilia, V.M., 280. Patron saint of music and musicians.
NECK, sword or wound in, rays issuing from it.	S. Lucy, V.M., 303. Patron against eye diseases.
NUN. Black and white habit, with red band across her forehead. Crosier. Pilgrim's staff.	S. Bridget of Sweden, 1373. Foundress of the Order of Brigittines.
ORGAN.	S. Cecilia, V.M., 280. Patron saint of music and musicians.
OX.	S. Luke, Evangelist, M.
PADLOCK on his mouth, or in his hand. Five stars over his head.	S. John Nepomucene, 1393. Patron saint of silence, bridges, and running water.
PICTURE of the Blessed Virgin.	S. Luke, Evangelist, M.
PIG. Crutch and bell. Old.	S. Anthony, Hermit, 357.
PINCERS holding a tooth.	S. Apollonia of Alexandria, V.M., 250. Patron saint against toothaches.
POT of holy water, and asperges. Dragon at her feet. Ladle.	S. Martha of Bethany, 84. Patron saint of cooks and housewives.
PURSE. Pen and inkhorn. Palm.	S. Matthew, Apostle, Evangelist, M.
PURSES, three. Bishop's robes.	S. Nicholas of Myra, 326. Patron saint of Russia and many seaports; also of children.
PYX. Franciscan habit. Cardinal's hat nearby.	S. Bonaventure, 1274.
PYX. Crucifix. Dominican habit.	S. Hyacinth, 1257.
PYX. Lily. Cross. Franciscan habit and cord.	S. Clare, 1253. Foundress of the Poor Clare Nuns.

RAVEN with a loaf in its beak. Benedictine habit.	S. Benedict, 543. Founder of Benedictine Order.
ROD. Crutch and bell. Hog near him.	S. Anthony, Hermit, 357.
ROPE round neck. Cardinal's robes. Barefooted.	S. Charles Borromeo, 1538. Archbishop of Milan.
ROSES, red and white, in her robe. Franciscan habit or royal robes.	S. Elizabeth of Hungary, 1231.
ROSES, crown of, or holding in her hand. Palm.	S. Dorothy of Cappadocia, V.M., 303.
ROSES, crown of, red and white. Angel. Musical instruments. Palm.	S. Cecilia, V.M., 280. Patron saint of music and musicians.
SAW. Sometimes fishes.	S. Simon the Zealot, Apostle, M.
SCOURGE, with three knotted thongs. Bishop's robes.	S. Ambrose, 397. One of the Four Latin Fathers of the Church. Patron saint of Milan.
SEVEN youths surrounding her. Veil. Palm.	S. Felicitas and her seven sons, M., 173.
SHEARS. Palm.	S. Agatha, V.M., 251.
SHEEP. Distaff. Basket of loaves.	S. Genevieve, 509. Patron saint of Paris.
SHELL. Long staff and wallet.	S. James the Great, Apostle, M. Patron of Spain.
SHIELD with black eagle. Royal robes. Palm.	S. Wenceslaus of Bohemia, M., 938.
SHIP. Anchor. Three balls. Bishop's robes.	S. Nicholas of Myra, 326. Patron saint of Russia, and many seaports, also of children.
SKIN, carrying his own. Knife.	S. Bartholomew, Apostle, 31.
SKULL. Franciscan habit. Stigmata.	S. Francis of Assisi, 1226. Founder of the Franciscan order.
SPADE. Laborer's dress. Sometimes an angel ploughing in the background.	S. Isidore the Ploughman, 1170. Patron saint of agriculture.
SPEAR. Roman soldier's dress.	S. Longinus. The centurion at the crucifixion.
STAFF, long, with wallet or bottle. Scallop shell.	S. James the Great, Apostle, M. Patron of Spain.
STAG with crucifix between its horns. Huntsman's dress or bishop's robes.	S. Hubert, 727. Patron saint of the chase and dogs.
STAR on his forehead. Lily. Dominican habit.	S. Dominic, 1221. Founder of Dominican Order.
STAR on his breast. Dominican habit.	S. Thomas Aquinas, 1274.
STAR on his breast or above his head. Crucifix wreathed with lily. Benedictine habit.	S. Nicholas of Tolentino, 1309.
STARS, five, over his head. Finger on his lips or padlock.	S. John Nepomucene, 1393. Patron saint of silence, bridges, and running water.
STIGMATA. Franciscan habit. Sometimes a lamb.	S. Francis of Assisi, 1226. Founder of the Franciscan Order.

STIGMATA. Lily. Thorns. Dominican habit.

STONE, beating his breast with.

STONES. Deacon's robes. Palm.

SWORD.

SWORD and scales.

SWORD piercing his head. Bishop's robes.

SWORD, pierced or in his head. Dominican habit.

SWORD. Tower. Cup and wafer. Crown. Palm.

SWORD in her neck. Eyes on dish. Lamp. Palm.

TONGS or pincers. Palm.

TOOTH held in pincers.

TOWER. Chalice and wafer. Sword. Crown. Palm.

TREE, foot on prostrate. Bishop's robes over Benedictine habit.

TWO men in red robes and caps, with surgical instruments.

TWO men in armor. Palms.

VASE or box of alabaster. Long fair hair.

WALLET and long staff. Scallop shell.

WHEEL. Crown. Palm.

WINGS. Dominican habit. Crucifix.

WOUND, pointing to, in his leg. Pilgrim's shell and staff. Sometimes dog nearby.

S. Catherine of Siena, 1380.

S. Jerome, 420. One of the Four Latin Fathers of the Church. Founder of Monachism in the West. Patron saint of scholars.

S. Stephen, Protomartyr.

S. Paul, Apostle, M.

S. Michael the Archangel.

S. Thomas á Becket, M., 1170.

S. Peter, Martyr, 1252. Dominican priest.

S. Barbara, V.M., 803. Patron saint of fortifications and against thunder and lightning.

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SS. John and Paul, M., 362.

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