



***The Saints—like Peter and Mary Magdalene—
lead us to Christ.***

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INTRODUCTION

Saints are persons who have lived very holy Christian lives on earth and are now in heaven. The Church offers them as models for us to imitate.

The Church says: “Here are some models for you to follow. If you do what the Saints did, according to your ability, and listen to their counsel, you can achieve what they achieved.”

This is one of the main reasons for the Church’s custom of honoring the Saints. They are not only our intercessors in heaven but also examples of virtue for us on earth.

May this book on the lives of the Saints help you not only to know them but also to imitate their lives and seek their help before God.



SAINT ANTHONY OF PADUA

Feast: June 13

Died: 1231

Word spread rapidly through the town: “Father Anthony is coming!” Everyone ran to hear him—this man of God, this Wonderworker.

They loved to hear him preach about God. This day he began, “God so loved the world that He sent His only Son.” Soon many were weeping tears of joy at the thought of God’s great love. Others were shedding tears of sorrow that they didn’t serve Him better. All knew deep in their hearts that God loved them.

Anthony is invoked by those seeking to find something that was lost. He especially helps lost sinners find their way back to God.

PRAYER: O Saint Anthony, help me to realize how much God loves us.

SAINT ANNE

Feast: July 26

Died: 1st Century B.C.

Anne and her husband, Joachim, lived in Nazareth before Christ was born. They had no children, so they prayed for a child for many years.

At last a daughter was born to Anne. She was called Miriam or “Mary.” Anne taught Mary to read the Scriptures, and she offered her to God in the service of the Temple.

Years later Mary returned to Nazareth. The Archangel Gabriel appeared and told Mary that she would be the Mother of the Son of God.

Anne prayed only for a child and she became mother of the Mother of God!

PRAYER: O mother of the Mother of God, keep me always close to Jesus and Mary.

