

# Catholic SAINTS MATCHING CARDS



St. Joan  
of Arc

Feast: May 30  
Patron: France

Fast Facts:

- heard voices of saints telling her to help protect the king of France
- led her army into battle

• was captured by English soldiers and sent to death



St. Patrick

Feast: March 17  
Patron: Ireland

Fast Facts:

- used a shamrock to teach about the Holy Trinity
- loved the land of Ireland and went back there to teach others about God

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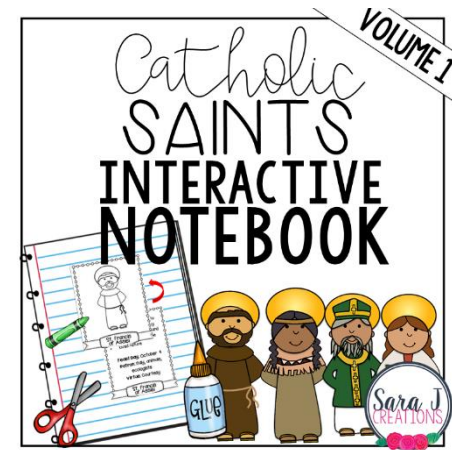
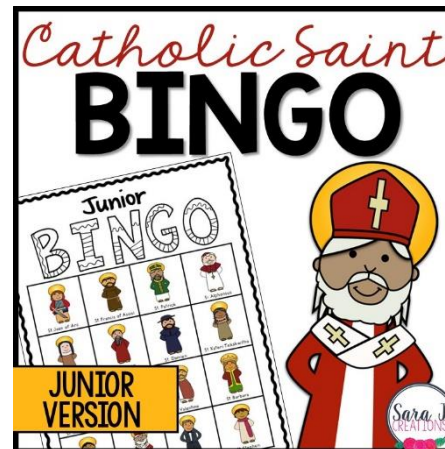
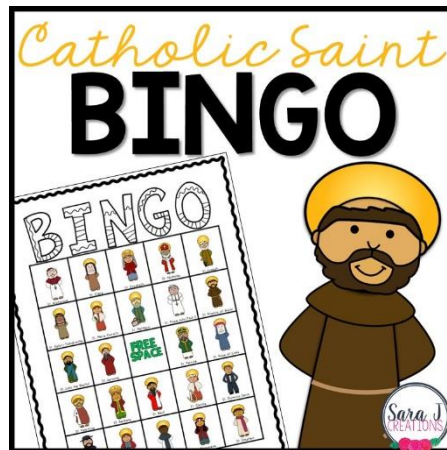
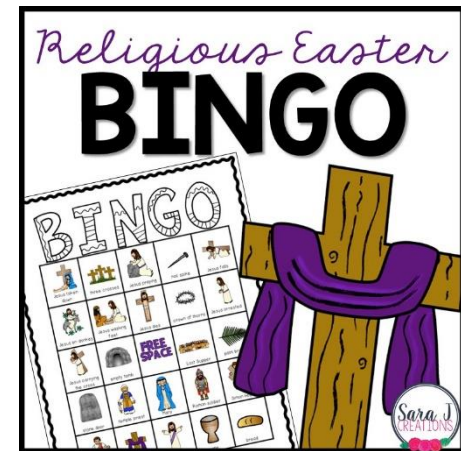
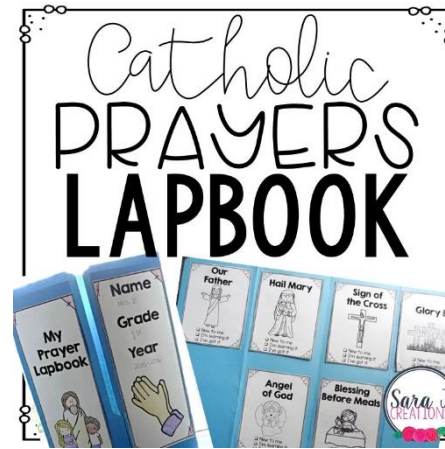
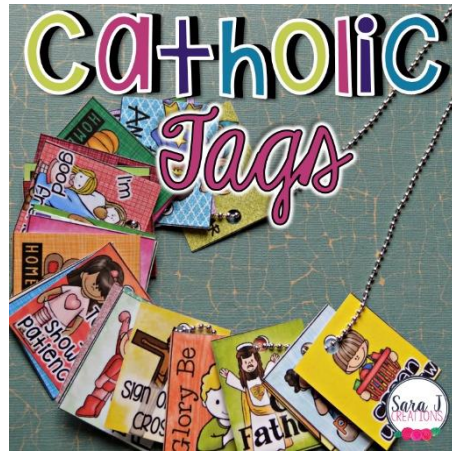


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# Saint

## *Matching Cards*

Here are 3 ideas for using these cards

1. Print and cut each saint and the description to the right as one big rectangle, fold in half, laminate. Now the card will be like a flashcard with the picture on one side and the information about the saint on the other side.
2. Print and cut apart all of the cards. Put the cards face down in rows and columns. Flip over two cards at a time looking for a match. A match will be the saint on one card and the matching description on the other card. This would be the memory game option.
3. Use the cards as a Go Fish type game. Ask other players for a certain saint by determining which saint matches the description in your hand.



St. Agnes  
of Rome

Feast: January 21  
Patron: young girls

Fast Facts:

- beautiful & wealthy girl
- dedicated herself to God at a young age
- did not want to marry
- was martyred because of her beliefs

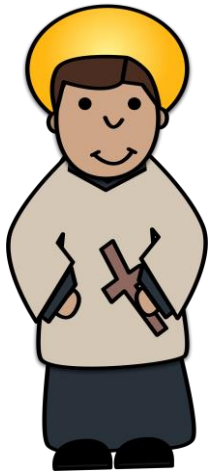


St. Albert  
the Great

Feast: November 15  
Patron: scientists

Fast Facts:

- a friar and a brilliant scientist
- knew that God created order and it could be studied scientifically
- taught others about the beauty of God's creation



St. Aloysius  
Gonzaga

Feast: June 21  
Patron: young people

Fast Facts:

- devoted himself to God and religious life at 9
- his father wanted him to join the military
- he joined the Jesuits and served in a hospital



St. Alphonsus

Feast: August 1  
Patron: theologians

Fast Facts:

- studied law
- became a priest then a bishop
- was a popular author
- worked hard during his life and suffered a lot at the end of his life



St. Ambrose

Feast: December 7  
Patron: Milan

Fast Facts:

- a lawyer and governor of Milan
- went on to become a bishop even though he did not want to at first
- always concerned about the poor



St. Andrew

Feast: November 30  
Patron: fishermen

Fast Facts:

- older brother of St. Peter
- before Jesus asked him to become a disciple and a fisher of men, he was a fisherman on the shores of the Sea of Galilee



St. Anne

Feast: July 26  
Patron: homemakers

Fast Facts:

- prayed for a long time to have a baby
- God answered her prayers and gave her a baby, the Virgin Mary
- grandmother of Jesus



St. Anthony  
of Padua

Feast: June 13  
Patron: lost things

Fast Facts:

- one of the Doctors of the Church
- had a special book of psalms stolen, but after praying, it was returned the next day
- Franciscan friar



St. Augustine  
of Canterbury

Feast: May 27  
Patron: England

Fast Facts:

- lived a simple, sincere, Christian life
- took missionaries to England and worked hard to build trust with those they served



St. Barbara

Feast: December 4  
Patron: architects

Fast Facts:

- prayed and studied in secret because her father didn't believe in God
- he kept her in a tower and was so angry that she was a Christian



St. Basil

Feast: January 2  
Patron: hospital workers

Fast Facts:

- gave money to the poor
- organized a soup kitchen to feed others
- formed his own group of monks and created rules for them to live by



St. Benedict

Feast: July 11  
Patron: students

Fast Facts:

- brother of St. Scholastica
- wrote rules for monks to follow to help them worship God throughout their day



St. Benjamin

Feast: March 31  
Patron:

Fast Facts:

- a deacon who was put in prison because of his faith
- was killed because he refused to stop teaching about God



St. Bernadette

Feast: April 16  
Patron: illness

Fast Facts:

- the Virgin Mary appeared to her when she was a young girl
- she did what Mary asked
- the Church learned more about Mary because of her



St. Brigid  
of Ireland

Feast: February 1  
Patron: newborn babies

Fast Facts:

- fed the poor, healed them and donated her possessions
- founded two monasteries and a school of art



St. Catherine  
Laboure

Feast: November 28  
Patron: the elderly

Fast Facts:

- had 3 apparitions from the Virgin Mary
- during one she was shown the Miraculous Medal and was asked to have them made and spread the devotion to them





St. Catherine  
of Siena

Feast: April 29  
Patron: nurses

Fast Facts:

- loved God deeply even as a young girl
- learned to pray wherever she was
- her family did not understand and tried to keep her from praying



St. Cecilia

Feast: November 22  
Patron: musicians

Fast Facts:

- gave her life to God
- taught her husband about God
- he heard heavenly music and accepted Jesus as His Savior



St. Clare

Feast: August 11  
Patron: sore eyes

Fast Facts:

- born to a noble family
- was a nun and chose not to wear shoes or eat meat
- she wanted to live like the poor
- learned a lot from St. Francis



St. Damien

Feast: May 10  
Patron: Hawaii

Fast Facts:

- priest who served in Hawaii
- took care of lepers
- contracted leprosy after taking care of all of the sick people and treating them with respect & dignity

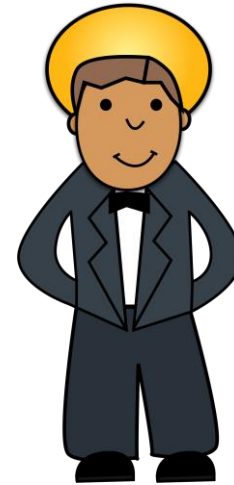


St. Dominic

Feast: August 8  
Patron: astronomers

Fast Facts:

- spent nights praying in church, offering prayers & petitions to God
- was given the Rosary during an apparition of the Blessed Virgin Mary



St. Dominic  
Savio

Feast: May 6  
Patron: altar boys

Fast Facts:

- young boy with a great sense of humor and ability to tell stories
- worked hard to be a good student and teach other boys about Jesus
- died when he was 14



St. Elizabeth  
Ann Seton

Feast: January 4  
Patron: converts

Fast Facts:

- loved to read the Bible and was drawn to Christ in the Eucharist
- founded the Sisters of Charity
- first native born American to become a saint



St. Elizabeth  
of Hungary

Feast: November 17  
Patron: widows

Fast Facts:

- married a young prince
- took extra food and clothes from the castle to give to the poor
- others told her husband and he supported her generous giving



St. Faustina  
Kowalska

Feast: October 5

Patron: mercy

Fast Facts:

- wanted to be a nun but her parents said no
- she later joined a convent and became a nun
- she was visited by Jesus and asked to be an example of mercy to others



St. Frances  
Cabrini

Feast: November 13

Patron: immigrants

Fast Facts:

- worked in an orphanage in Italy
- the bishop finally allowed her to become a nun after seeing her devotion to God as she cared for others



St. Francis  
De Sales

Feast: January 24

Patron: writers

Fast Facts:

- was born into a noble family
- became a lawyer but realized he wanted to serve God
- had wise advice and wrote to teach about holiness



St. Francis  
of Assisi

Feast: October 4

Patron: animals

Fast Facts:

- gave up everything to follow God and live in poverty
- showed honor, love, and respect to everyone even animals and nature



St. Francis  
Xavier

Feast: December 3  
Patron: missionaries

Fast Facts:

- enjoyed school and sports
- established the Jesuit order of priests
- baptized people in India and Japan



St. Gemma  
Galgani

Feast: April 11  
Patron: students

Fast Facts:

- lived a simple life
- had many visions of Jesus
- took care of her brothers and sisters after her parents died
- helped the poor whenever she could



St. Genevieve

Feast: January 3  
Patron: Paris

Fast Facts:

- during a time of war, when the people of Paris were starving, she gathered grains and baked them into bread and gave it to the neediest people of Paris



St. Gerard

Feast: October 16  
Patron: expectant mothers

Fast Facts:

- he was weak and in poor health most of his life but still gave everything he had to others
- helped the poor and sick and did the Will of God



St. Ignatius  
of Loyola

Feast: July 31  
Patron: educators

Fast Facts:

- left the Spanish army to become a priest and win souls for Jesus
- wanted to convert others
- established schools and educated the youth around the world



St. James

Feast: July 25  
Patron: pilgrims

Fast Facts:

- one of Jesus' first disciples
- fisherman
- one of only three called by Jesus to witness his Transfiguration



St. Jerome

Feast: September 30  
Patron: librarians

Fast Facts:

- learned several languages
- read and studied a lot
- translated the Hebrew Bible into Latin
- loved reading and praying using the Bible



St. Joan  
of Arc

Feast: May 30  
Patron: France

Fast Facts:

- heard voices of saints telling her to help protect the king of France
- led her army into battle
- the enemies kidnapped her and put her to death



St. John  
Bosco

Feast: January 31  
Patron: youth

Fast Facts:

- spent his life training young boys to make a living and know & love God
- showed them that they were loved and trusted



St. John  
Neumann

Feast: January 5  
Patron: Catholic education

Fast Facts:

- studied to be a priest but the bishop in Bohemia wouldn't ordain him
- went to America where he started 100 Catholic schools



St. John  
the Apostle

Feast: December 27  
Patron: booksellers

Fast Facts:

- was a fisherman but stopped fishing to follow Jesus
- was with Mary when Jesus died on the cross
- wrote 2 books of the Bible – the Gospel of John and Revelations



St. John  
the Baptist

Feast: June 24  
Patron: Puerto Rico

Fast Facts:

- cousin of Jesus
- baptized people in the Jordan River
- prepared others for the coming of Jesus
- baptized Jesus



St. Joseph

Feast: March 19  
Patron: fathers

Fast Facts:

- a carpenter
- foster father of Jesus
- listened to God and did what he asked of him
- helped Mary to raise Jesus



St. Juan  
Diego

Feast: December 9  
Patron: indigenous peoples

Fast Facts:

- converted people in Mexico
- he heard the Virgin Mary ask him to build her a shrine
- his coat was filled with roses and an image of Mary



St. Kateri  
Tekakwitha

Feast: July 14  
Patron: environment

Fast Facts:

- born in the USA
- was a Mohawk Indian
- wanted to be a Christian but others did not want that so she escaped to Canada to live with missionaries



St. Lucy

Feast: December 13  
Patron: eyesight

Fast Facts:

- like the woman in the Bible who was healed after touching Jesus, Lucy's mother was healed by touching the tomb of St. Agatha
- devoted her life to Jesus after that



St. Luke

Feast: October 18  
Patron: doctors

Fast Facts:

- was an evangelist (told others about Jesus)
- wrote two books of the Bible
- went on sea voyages with St. Paul to spread the Good News

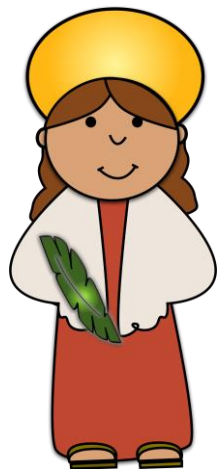


St. Margaret  
of Scotland

Feast: November 16  
Patron: Scotland

Fast Facts:

- a princess who married the king of Scotland
- helped changed the court and the laws to better obey the teachings of the church



St. Maria  
Goretti

Feast: July 6  
Patron: young women

Fast Facts:

- took care of her family from a young age
- was attacked and stabbed by a neighbor, but she forgave him before she died



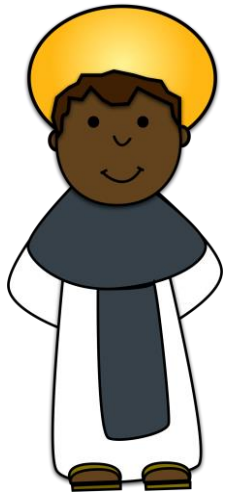
St. Mark  
the Evangelist

Feast: April 25  
Patron: Venice

Fast Facts:

- author of the second Gospel
- did not hear Jesus speak firsthand but based his writing on the teachings of St. Peter
- went on missions with Paul & Barnabus



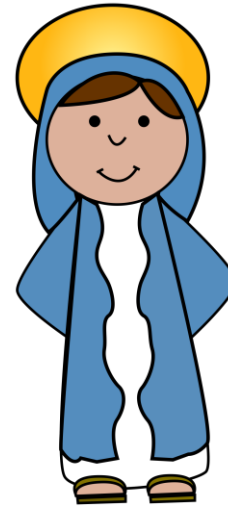


St. Martin  
De Porres

Feast: November 3  
Patron: barbers

Fast Facts:

- learned how to be a barber and take care of the sick
- treated everyone with respect
- dealt with racism because of the color of his skin



St. Mary

Feast: September 8  
Patron: mothers

Fast Facts:

- mother of Jesus
- committed no sin during her life
- married Joseph and raised Jesus
- obeyed & trusted God when an angel told her she would have a baby



St. Mary  
Magdalene

Feast: July 22  
Patron: women

Fast Facts:

- Jesus cast demons out of her and she was so grateful that she became a devoted follower
- was at the cross when Jesus died
- found the tomb empty on Easter Sunday



St. Matthew

Feast: September 21  
Patron: bankers

Fast Facts:

- one of the twelve apostles
- was a tax collector before giving everything up to follow Jesus
- preached the Good News
- wrote the first Gospel



St. Maximilian  
Kolbe

Feast: August 14  
Patron: families

Fast Facts:

- was in a concentration camp during World War II
- offered to take a man's place to die because the man had a family
- devotion to Mary



St. Monica

Feast: August 27  
Patron: wives

Fast Facts:

- mother of St. Augustine
- prayed constantly for her son and her prayers were answered when he became a Christian and a great man of God



St. Nicholas

Feast: December 6  
Patron: the poor

Fast Facts:

- prayed to God and studied hard
- helped others in secret
- saved 3 girls by secretly giving their father gold so that they could marry and wouldn't become slaves



St. Patrick

Feast: March 17  
Patron: Ireland

Fast Facts:

- used a shamrock to teach about the Holy Trinity
- loved the land of Ireland and went back there to teach others about God



St. Paul

Feast: June 29  
Patron: writers

Fast Facts:

- was blind for 3 days and heard Jesus telling him to change his life
- was baptized and traveled the world to set up Christian communities
- his letters are included in the Bible



St. Peter

Feast: June 29  
Patron: fishermen

Fast Facts:

- fisherman
- after Jesus performed a miracle and brought many fish to his net, he believed and started following Jesus
- first pope of the church



St. Peter  
Claver

Feast: September 9  
Patron: Negro  
missions

Fast Facts:

- took care of those in need, in particular slaves
- would meet slave ships as they arrived and offer food & medicine and teach about the love of Jesus



St. Philip  
Neri

Feast: May 26  
Patron: Rome

Fast Facts:

- devoted his life to bringing everyone he could back to the Church
- he used humor, discussions & popular songs to show the church as a joyful place



St. Philomena

Feast: August 11

Patron: babies

Fast Facts:

- died when she was very young
- miracles began happening near where she was buried
- first to become a saint because of what happened after she died



St. Pope  
John Paul II

Feast: October 22

Patron: World Youth  
Day

Fast Facts:

- priest from Poland and then became pope
- especially good with children and the youth and inviting them to take part in their faith



St. Rita

Feast: May 22

Patron: parenthood

Fast Facts:

- wanted to become a nun but became a wife and a mother and later became a nun after her husband and sons died
- had a devotion to the Passion of Christ



St. Robert  
Bellarmine

Feast: September 17

Patron: catechumens

Fast Facts:

- a scholar and servant of God
- wrote many works and took stands based on his principles
- named a Doctor of the Church



St. Rose  
of Lima

Feast: August 23  
Patron: gardeners

Fast Facts:

- was beautiful but did not want others to notice her beauty
- at 20, she gave herself to Christ and lived alone in her family garden serving the poor and sick



St. Scholastica

Feast: February 10  
Patron: nuns

Fast Facts:

- sister of St. Benedict
- dedicated her life to God
- founded and ran a monastery of nuns
- sacrificed so she and her brother could be closer to God



St. Sebastian

Feast: January 20  
Patron: soldiers

Fast Facts:

- noble & brave captain
- healed the sick and led others to the Christian faith
- there was an attempt to kill him with arrows, but he survived



St. Stephen

Feast: December 26  
Patron: stonemasons

Fast Facts:

- a deacon & believed God could be found everywhere
- helped the poor & was good at teaching about Jesus
- first martyr



St. Teresa  
of Avila

Feast: October 15  
Patron: headache  
sufferers

Fast Facts:

- suffered from terrible headaches but was cured through prayer
- wrote books & letters to help people learn about prayer



St. Teresa  
of Calcutta

Feast: September 5  
Patron: Missionaries of  
Charity

Fast Facts:

- started a new order of nuns to work with the poor and dying
- spent her life in India teaching others to respect life



St. Therese  
of Lisieux

Feast: October 1  
Patron: missions

Fast Facts:

- after becoming ill, she prayed to Our Mother Mary & was healed
- devoted her life to helping & sacrificing for others
- reminds us to do little things for God's kingdom



St. Thomas  
Aquinas

Feast: January 28  
Patron: universities

Fast Facts:

- very smart but did not let others know
- considered one of the Church's greatest theologians but gave all glory to God



St. Thomas  
More

Feast: June 22  
Patron: lawyers

Fast Facts:

- highly respected lawyer & judge
- friend and employee of King Henry VIII, but resigned when he disagreed with the king's morals and that he had fallen away from the Catholic Church



St. Thomas  
the Apostle

Feast: July 3  
Patron: architects

Fast Facts:

- one of the 12 apostles
- doubted the Resurrection of Jesus until he touched the wounds of Christ from the crucifixion



St. Valentine

Feast: February 14  
Patron: love

Fast Facts:

- priest
- helped other Christians
- was in prison yet continued to share about Christianity and help and heal others while he was there



St. Veronica

Feast: July 12  
Patron: laundry workers

Fast Facts:

- wiped the face of Jesus with her veil on Good Friday
- an image of the Lord's face was left behind on the veil



St. Vincent  
de Paul

Feast: September 27

Patron: charities

Fast Facts:

- inspired others to serve the poor through time, clothes and food
- taught by example
- showed compassion and courtesy to the poor and prisoners



St. Wilfrid

Feast: October 12

Patron:

Fast Facts:

- founded many monasteries of the Benedictine order
- built churches and focused on the embellishments & artistic part of the churches
- spread Christianity