

Summary of Saints and Angels

This document is for players who are playing character who are devout Christians, but aren't themselves experts in medieval hagiography. Players can use the following table to help select a saint to appeal to, venerate, or choose as a patron. This table supersedes and replaces the one in the *Fantasy Wargaming* book.

Rank in Host describes how much authority the being has in the heavenly host; God himself has the highest rank (9), and other saints and angels have a rank between 1 and 8. Rank in host is usually (but not always) proportional to *Resistance to Appeal*; that is, beings that are higher up in the host are usually less likely to answer prayers or appeals.

If a saint's resistance to appeal is marked with a dagger (†), then the saint is known for being particularly receptive and helpful when dealing with certain types of appeal. The types of appeal in question are listed in *italics* in either the Patronage or Areas of Favor columns. When an appeal to this saint concerns this area, the saint's resistance to appeal is one lower than normal. This is in addition to any bonus given because the appeal lies in the saint's area of patronage or favor.

Patronage lists the people and areas of which the saint is a patron. If an area is listed the saint may well be considered a patron of people from that area, or even just *in* that area.

A saint may be a person's patron at some times and not others. For example, St. Peter is the patron saint of fishermen. If a fisherman appeals to St. Peter for help catching fish, or even just resisting temptation, he will likely get a bonus. However, if the man is writing a love poem or going off to war, the GM may well deny him the bonus.

Entries in the patronage column that are in parentheses () are borderline. The GM is less likely to give a patronage bonus based on these than on entries in parentheses, and will only give the bonus in a clear-cut case.

Appeals that aid people of whom the saint is a patron are almost always in the saint's interest (even if the appellant, himself, does not have the saint as a patron). The contrapositive of this is also true – appeals that oppose the interest of someone in a saint's patronage are almost always against the saint's interests.

Areas of Favor and *Areas of Disfavor* list areas that are likely to be in or against the saint's interests, respectively. As with patronage, entries in parentheses () are borderline, and a bonus/penalty for them will be granted less often (and will probably always only have a magnitude of 1, almost never of 2). Acting against a saint's area of favor is against the saint's interests (and, of course, acting against his area of disfavor is in his interests).

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God	7	(Popes, kings, emperors)	none	Rebellion	Rank in Host = 9
Virgin Mary	5	none	Intercession with God for any purpose, virginity, motherhood, forgiveness	Sex	Rank in Host = 8
<u>The Three Great Archangels</u>					
(Rank in Host = 7)					
Michael	7	Germany, the sick	Healing, combat against dragons or demons	Evildoers, nonchristians	
Gabriel	6	Trumpeters, (heralds)	Annunciation, messages, prophecy, revelation	none	
Raphael	6	Healers, matchmakers	Any healing, but especially against blindness	none	
<u>The Twelve Apostles and Other Great Saints</u>					
(Rank in Host = 6)					
Andrew	5	Scotland, Greece, Scythia Minor (i.e., modern Romania), fishermen and fishmongers	none	none	“St. Andrew’s cross” is not yet the standard icon, though it is used in Scotland
Bartholemew	5	Armenia, Lipari (an island off Sicily), tanners, trappers, and leatherworkers	Medicine and hospitals, particularly twitching and other nervous disorders; making things heavier or lighter, (missionary work)	none	
James the Great	5	Spain, pilgrims	none	none	
James the Less	5	Apothecaries, fullers, hatmakers, dying people	none	none	
John	5	Writers, booksellers, theologians	Protection from burns or poison, (Healing the sick)	none	
John the Baptist	5	Florence and Genoa, souls in Purgatory	(Preaching, baptism, conversion of non-Christians, monks and nuns, martyrdom)	(Worldly affairs)	
Jude	4	Armenia	Desperate cases and lost causes; hospitals	none	Obscure
Matthias	5	Tailors and carpenters	Protection from smallpox	none	
Matthew	5	Tax collectors, (other civic officials or people who handle money)	none	none	
Peter	5	The Pope, fishermen, netmakers, shipwrights, harvesters, locksmiths, masons	Organization and leadership, particularly within the church, longevity	Violence, even against enemies of the Church; intellectual pursuits	
Philip	4	Bakers	Feeding the poor	none	
Paul	5	Missionaries, (letter-writers, reformed persecutors of Christians, tentmakers)	(Visions)	(Jews and Jewish law)	
Simon the Zealot	5	Sawyers, curriers and tanners	none	none	
Thomas	4	Architects and builders, the east [India], (twins, doubters and skeptics)	none	(Blind faith)	

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The Evangelists and Other Major Saints					
(Rank in Host = 5)					
Ambrose	4	Milan, beekeepers and chandlers	Bees, education, (eloquence, peaceful conversion of heretics, charity to the poor, reform and innovation, religious music, voluntary vows and dedication)	(Heretics and pagans, particularly sacrifices; constrained vows and dedication)	
Anthony	4	Ascetics, monks, and hermits, particularly anchorites	Protection from temptation (particularly sloth and lust), wild beasts, and disease (particularly shingles); survival in deserts	Society and worldly affairs	
Athanasius	4	(Exiles, the banished, and the wrongly accused)	none	(Reason and speculation)	
Augustine	4	Theologians	Orthodoxy, (just war)	Excess; sex and lust; heresy; antisemitism, particularly violence	
Basil	4	Cappadocia, church and hospital administrators	Exorcism, (appeals for information, moderation in monasticism, orthodoxy)	(Heretics)	
Bede the Venerable	4	Durham, England; English writers and historians	(Education and study)	none	
Benedict	4	Monks, nuns, hermits, schoolchildren	Protection from poison, temptation, and witchcraft; solemn religious vows	Cities and towns, hedonism and dissoluteness	
Catherine	3 †	Wheelwrights, potters, spinners, millers, knife grinders, torture victims	<i>Protection from sudden death</i> , (conversion)	(marriage)	
Christopher	4 †	Travelers, ferrymen, porters, and bachelors	<i>Protection from plague</i> , (feats of strength)	none	Very popular
Cyril of Alexandria	4	Africa, particularly Egypt	(Procedural, as opposed to doctrinal, church affairs; faith in opposition to reason; angry mobs opposing the enemies of the church)	Jews, science and scientists	
Cyril of Jerusalem	4	none	Orthodoxy, authority of the Roman church, communion	Jews, heretics, and pagans	
Cyril and Methodius	4	Europe, Slavs	(Writing, laws, learning and teaching, authority of the pope as opposed to the episcopacy)	(Jews)	
Ephrem	4	Spiritual leaders, (Asian and Syrian Christians)	(Writing, hymns, inspiration, journeys)	(Heresy, sex)	
George	5 †	Knights, the sick	Chivalry, defense of the helpless, <i>health of domestic animals</i>	none	Not patron saint of England; dragon story is obscure
Gregory the Great	4	(Anglo-Saxons)	(The papacy, authority of the Roman church, monasticism, law and justice)	(Heathens and pagans, non-Roman Christian churches)	
Gregory of Nazianzus	4	none	(Oratory and philosophy)	none	
Hilary of Poitiers	4	West Britain, including Cornwall	(Christian contemplation and writing)	(Heresy)	
Isidore	3	Students, (monastic clergy,	Learning, knowledge, mathematics, philosophy	none	

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Jerome	5	when needing protection from secular clergy) Librarians, translators, scholars	Biblical study	none	
John Chrysostom	3	Constantinople; lecturers, orators, and preachers	Protection from epilepsy, (charity)	Jews and Jewish law; lavishness, privilege, and wealth; revelry	
John Damascene	4	none	none	Iconoclasm, Moslems	
Joseph	4	Workers, laborers, and craftsmen; (fathers, families, expectant mothers)	(Patience, persistence, hard work, a happy death)	none	Rarely celebrated
Joseph of Arimathea	4	Undertakers and gravediggers, (British Christians)	Christian burial	none	No connection yet to the Holy Grail
Lawrence	4	Rome, cooks, (the poor, crippled, and blind)	The Holy Grail, (charity, martyrdom)	none	Very popular
Leo the Great	4	none	(Protection of Europe or Christendom as a whole from pagans or infidels; the papacy; authority of the Roman church)	(Heresy)	
Luke	4	Artists and authors	none	none	
Mark	4	Venice, Alexandria, Africa	Evangelism	Pagans and Moslems	
Nicholas	4	Sailors and fishermen, the falsely-accused	Charity, particularly anonymous	Pagans and heretics, wealth	
Patrick	4	Ireland	none	Snakes, secular or political ties or intrigues, (finances and money)	
Peter Chrysologus	4	none	Homilies, clear and simple language, authority of Rome	Long-winded speech	
Sebastian	4 †	Archers, soldiers	<i>Protection from plague</i>	none	
<u>Saints</u>					
(Rank in Host = 4)					
Agatha	4	Bakers; bellfounders; Catania, in Sicily; unmarried laywomen	Earthquakes and natural disasters, protection from fire	Sex	
Agnes	3	Betrothed couples, girls, rape victims, virgins	Chastity	Sex, especially prostitution or rape	
Aidan	3	Northumbria	Kindness and good manners, protection from fire	Sanctimoniousness	
Barbara	3 †	none	Protection from lightning, <i>fever</i> , and <i>sudden death</i>	(Cloistered women)	
Columba	3	Bookbinders and illuminators; Ireland; missionaries; Scotland, (diplomats, exiles, penitents)	Combat against water monsters, victory in battle	Covetousness, especially leading to violence	

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Cuthbert	3	Northumbria	Asceticism, (healing, insight, persuasion, sea birds)	Worldly power	Obscure outside north England
David	3	Wales	Asceticism, vegetarianism	Alcohol, covetousness, eating meat, personal property	Unrecognized; obscure outside Wales
Dunstan	3	Smiths/metalworkers	Church reform, monastic rule, (direct opposition to infernal forces, improvement of peasants)	Secular clergy	Unrecognized except in England
Giles	4 †	Hermits, lepers	<i>Confession, protection from plague, (deer)</i>	Secular society	
The Good Thief	3	Prisoners, particularly condemned men; repentant thieves	none	none	Not yet named St. Dismas
Leonard	3	Prisoners and captives, women in labor	none	none	Obscure
Lucia	3	The blind	Vision, chastity	Marriage, sex	
Margaret the Virgin	2 †	Dying people, exiles, the falsely accused, peasants, pregnant women	<i>Childbirth</i> , protection from kidney disease, (escape from dragons)	none	Obscure
Martha	2	Servants, slaves, married women, travelers	(Taming monsters)		
Martin of Tours	3	France, soldiers	Destruction of pagan shrines, resurrection, (charity to beggars, mercy to heretics, pacifism)	War, (geese)	
Mary Magdalene	3	Penitents and reformed sinners (particularly women)	Protection from sexual temptation	none	2 nd most popular female saint, after the Virgin
Maurice	3	Soldiers, particularly infantrymen; armorers and swordsmiths	Protection from cramps, the Holy Lance	none	Very popular
Onesimus	3	(Slaves)	Manumission	none	
<u>Minor Saints</u> (Rank in Host = 3)					
Achatius	2 †	Suillace (in southern Italy)	<i>Protection from headache</i>	none	
Alexius	3	Beggars and the very poor	Poverty	Marriage or other worldly concerns	Obscure in the west
Blaise	2 †	Wool combers	<i>Protection from throat ailments, especially choking on fish bones</i> ; wild beasts; the wool trade	none	
Brendon	3	Sailors	Discovery, sea travel	none	
Cosmas and Damian	3	Physicians, surgeons, (and other medical practitioners)	Curing the sick, particularly without being paid	none	Twin brothers venerated together
Crispin and Crispinian	3	Cobblers, (tanners and other leatherworkers)	none	none	
Cyriac	2 †	(none)	<i>Protection from deathbed temptation, (exorcism)</i>	none	
Denys	2 †	France, Paris, those in danger of diabolic possession	Protection from frenzy, <i>headaches</i> , rabies, and strife	none	

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Dympna	2	Princesses	Family happiness, protection from mental illness and possession	Incest	Obscure outside Ireland
Edmund the Martyr	3	England, kings, torture victims	Protection from pandemics; wolves	none	
Edward the Martyr	3	none	(Defense of the church, righteous anger)	(Controlling anger, remaining calm)	
Elmo	3 †	Sailors, Formia and Gaeta [Italian cities]	Protection from colic, <i>intestinal disease</i> , labor pain, and pestilence in cattle, (Protection from lightning)	none	
Eloi	2	Goldsmiths and jewelers, anyone working with horses	Horses, (Christian burial for criminals, manumission, self-mortification)	Simony	
Eustace	2 †	Hunters, anyone facing trials from a difficult situation	<i>Protection from family discord</i> and fire	Loss of faith when tried	
Felicity	3	Parents who have lost a child to death, widows	none	none	Celebrated along with her seven martyred sons
Fiacre	3	Gardeners and other agricultural workers	Growing medicinal or food plants; relief from venereal disease; healing particularly with herbalism	Women	
The Four Crowned Martyrs	3	Stonemasons and sculptors	none	none	Two groups of saints (9 total) venerated collectively
Genesius of Arles	3	Notaries, secretaries, and scribes	Protection from dandruff and chilblains	none	
Genesius of Rome	3	Entertainers, particularly actors and comedians; torture victims; converts, particularly from paganism	(Baptism)	none	
Genevieve	2	Paris	Noncombatants in danger from war, prisoners of war, nuns and other female virgins dedicated to God, (visions and prophecies, relief from ergotism)	Armies and war	
Hilda	3	none	Administration, advice, government, improving the common man, teaching	none	
The Holy Innocents	3	Babies and children	none	(Kings)	The infants murdered by Herod, venerated collectively
Honoratus	3	none	Bringing or stopping rain, protection from misfortune	none	
Hubert	2	Hunters (The Ardennes, nobility)	(Stags)	none	
Julian the Hospitaller	2	Hospitals and hospitallers, pilgrims and wanderers, repentant murderers, the sick	Forgiveness, repentance	Curses, magic, witches	
Lambert	3	none	(Marital fidelity)	none	
Menas	2	Traveling merchants	none	none	
Monica	3	Wives and mothers	Patience, wifely obedience	Dissolute and debaucherous behavior,	

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Moses	3	none	Religious law, prophecy	sex Material concerns	
Magnus of Füssen	3	(Füssen in Bavaria)	Protection from lightning	none	
Nino	2	Georgia	none	none	
Notbunga	3	Servants	none	none	
Odile	2	none	Good eyesight, protection from blindness (and diseases of the ear; larkspurs)	(Overbearing fathers, pagan barbarians)	Two separate, but similar saints
Pantaleon	2 †	Midwives, <i>Physicians</i>	none	none	
Philip of Zell	3	Infants, (repentant thieves, creatures of the forest)	none	none	
Pirmin	3	none	Relief from poison	(Spanish Moslems)	
Remy	3	France	none	none	
Rupert	2	Miners, especially salt miners; Salzburg	none	none	
Stephen	2	Casket makers, deacons, (martyrs)	Protection from headaches	none	
Swithun	2	Hampshire, Winchester, and Southwark [southern England]	Weather, particularly rain and protection from drought; (construction and restoration of churches)	(The indoors, wealth)	
Ulrich	3	Augsburg, weavers	Happy death; protection from birth complications, fever, fainting, mice and moles; (morality)	Non-celibate priests	
Valentine	1	none	(Protection from blindness)	none	Three separate saints; obscure; no connection to romance or love
Vitus	2 †	none	<i>Protection from St. Vitus' dance (epilepsy)</i>	none	
Other Minor Saint	6	none	none	none	Includes saints Faith and Procopius; Rank in Host = 2
Other Angel	7	none	none	none	Rank in Host = 1