

Saints Graphic Organizer

All of the more important information is written on the charts in **bright blue**. Other pertinent information (which wouldn't show up on a test!) is in the **lighter blue**. Keep scrolling down! There are 4 pages.

Saint Name: St. Andrew, apostle and martyr	
When did the saint live? During the time of Jesus	What is the saint's feast day? November 30
When was the saint canonized? By which pope? No formal canonization; saint since early Church (It's called a "pre-congregation" canonization if a saint was canonized before the formal process was established.	Family: brother of St. Peter
Significant places: (birth place, where he/she lived) Lived in Galilee, preached the gospels in Greece and Turkey after Pentecost	Patron saint of: Fishermen, Greece, Turkey
Important contributions of this saint: - One of the 12 apostles (who became the first bishops of the Church) - In the Gospel of John, St. Andrew was the <u>first</u> apostle called to follow Jesus. He went and brought Simon (Peter) to follow Jesus as well.	Other interesting or important information: - Andrew was a follower of St. John the Baptist before he was an apostle. - The St. Andrew Christmas novena is a popular devotion that is prayed every day from his feast day till Christmas. (Most <u>novena</u> prayers are <u>nine day prayers</u>. This is a long one!)
What can I learn from this saint? (How does he/she inspire me?) One possible answer: St. Andrew dropped everything to follow Jesus! We can learn to put God first in our lives as St. Andrew did.	

Saint Name: St. Stephen	
When did the saint live? During the time of Jesus	What is the saint's feast day? December 26, the day after Christmas!
When was the saint canonized? By which pope? No formal canonization; saint since early Church	Family: Likely from family of Greek-speaking Jews since Stephen is a Greek name
Significant places: (birth place, where he/she lived) lived and died in Jerusalem	Patron saint of: Deacons, stonemasons, brick layers, altar servers
Important contributions of this saint: Considered to be one of the first <u>deacons</u> in the Church. (One of 7 men in the Acts of the Apostles designated for specific tasks) 1st martyr of the Church; stoned to death	Other interesting or important information: "Protomartyr" - means first martyr - In the Bible, he gave an eloquent speech in defense of Christian beliefs (which angered the men who then stoned him to death)
What can I learn from this saint? (How does he/she inspire me?) One possibility: We can stand up for our beliefs even when it's hard or unpopular.	

Saint Name: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton	
When did the saint live? 1774 - 1821 (historically, during the birth of our nation)	What is the saint's feast day? January 4
When was the saint canonized? By which pope? Paul VI in 1975	Family: Came from a wealthy Protestant family and married a wealthy man Had 5 children Became a Catholic after her husband's death and later started an order of sisters... so she was a nun who had children!
Significant places: (birth place, where he/she lived) - Born in New York - lived in Italy when her husband was sick (traveled there for medical care), - Baltimore, MD (first school)	Patron saint of: Catholic schools/educators Widows Death of parents
Important contributions of this saint: - Opened the first Catholic School in the United States (a girls school in Baltimore, MD) - Started the Sisters of Charity (religious order of nuns... first order for women in the US) - First American-born saint	Other interesting or important information: - Was a <u>convert</u> to Catholicism - Became a Catholic due to the kindness and influence of the Catholic family who they lived with when her husband was ill in Italy - Admiration for the work of St. Vincent de Paul (well known for helping the poor) led her to start her own religious order
What can I learn from this saint? (How does he/she inspire me?) One possible answer: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton continued to give to God and others and grow in holiness despite much loss and hardship in her life. (Death of her parents, her husband, some of her children... had family members who disapproved of her conversion to Catholicism...)	

*Other famous St. Elizabeths: St. Elizabeth cousin of Mary (and mother of John the Baptism), St. Elizabeth of Hungary

Saint Name: St. John Neumann	
When did the saint live? 1811-1860 (Historical reference: He died the year before the Civil War began) He lived during a time when immigrants and Catholics weren't very popular.	What is the saint's feast day? January 5
When was the saint canonized? By which pope? Pope Paul VI in 1977	Family: Frequently attended daily Mass in Bohemia with his mother, a pious woman - Left his family (parents and siblings) to head to America because he felt called to be a missionary priest
Significant places: (birth place, where he/she lived) Born in Bohemia (today part of the Czech Republic), Became a missionary to the U.S. (NY, OH, PA, MD) *4th bishop of Philadelphia!	Patron saint of: - Educators, teachers, the parochial school system - Immigrants - Sick children
Important contributions of this saint: - Began the parochial school system in the United States (schools associated with parishes), specifically in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia! Brought the number of Catholic Schools in this archdiocese from 2 to 100! - instituted the 40 Hours Devotion - worked to educate Church members and help the poor and immigrants	Other interesting or important information: - First American male saint (but not American born) - Trivia! Did you know he helped to found Beneficial Savings Bank in Philadelphia? The established banks wouldn't loan money to the poor or immigrants, so those people would often try to use their parishes as a safe place to store their money. Bishop Neumann recognized that this shouldn't be the job of the parish priest, and sought out a different solution. - St. John Neuman had an exceptional skill at learning languages which enabled him to communicate with immigrants from many places. He spoke more than 6 languages!
What can I learn from this saint? (How does he/she inspire me?) He went about his work quietly and humbly. He worked hard to help the lowly and outcast.	

**There are a LOT of saints named John, and many of them are well known saints! One of the other St. Johns is named St. John Henry Newman - Different spelling, but sounds alike so it's easy to get them mixed up. Many college campuses have "Newman Centers" for Catholic students. Those are named after St. John Henry Newman, not St. John Neumann.