

THE  
**ST. JOHN**  
Society

*When Jesus saw  
His mother, and the  
disciple whom he loved  
standing near, he said  
to His mother, “woman,  
behold your son!” Then  
he said to the disciple,  
“Behold, your mother!”*

# THE ST. JOHN *Society*

Saint John the Evangelist, brother to Saint James, traveled with Jesus from the onset of our Savior's public ministry. Inseparable from Jesus, the Gospels make clear that John, along with Peter and James was one of the most trusted of our Lord's disciples and was present with him at the wedding feast at Cana, during the Agony in the Garden and at the foot of the cross. John and Peter were the first to receive the news of the Resurrection from Mary Magdalene, and they hurried at once to the tomb, and there when Peter was restrained by awe, John "reached the tomb first." Following Christ's return to His heavenly Father, John's commitment to documenting the journey of this young community of faith, ensured a Church that has healed, taught and redeemed for more than two millennia.



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**SAN PATRICIO**  
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*“The love of God grew in me more and more, as did the faith, so that, in a single day, I have said as many as a hundred prayers and in the night, nearly the same. I prayed in the woods and on the mountain, even before dawn. I felt no hurt from the snow or ice or rain.”*

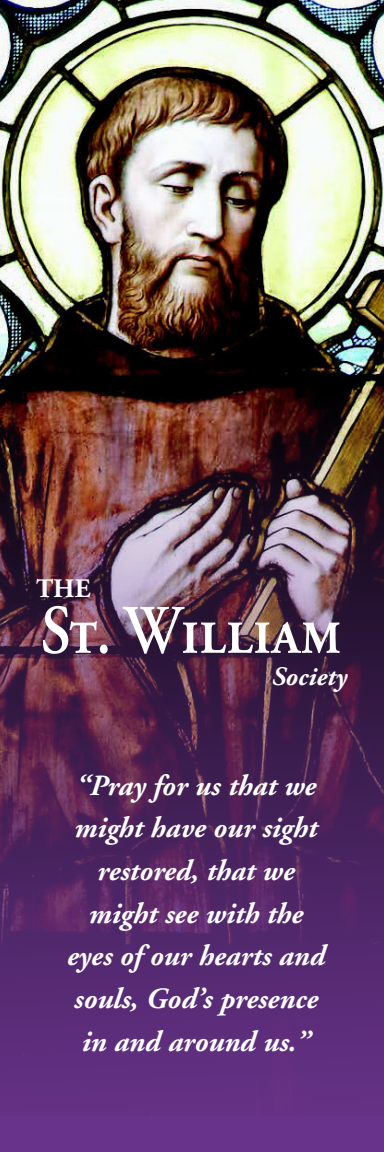
# THE SAN PATRICIO

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Born in Roman Britain, St. Patrick spent his youth as a slave after being captured by Irish pirates at the age of 14. Deeply steeped in pagan culture, St. Patrick returned to England when he was 20 and, after a vision in which he was asked to “walk among” and convert Ireland to the Christian faith, entered into study for the priesthood. For more than four decades, St. Patrick traveled by foot across the Irish countryside, often suffering great hardship, preaching the Gospel and converting thousands to Christianity. Heralded as the patron saint of Ireland and the patron of the Diocese of Fort Worth, St. Patrick is revered for his dedication in bringing a nation into the loving embrace of Jesus Christ.



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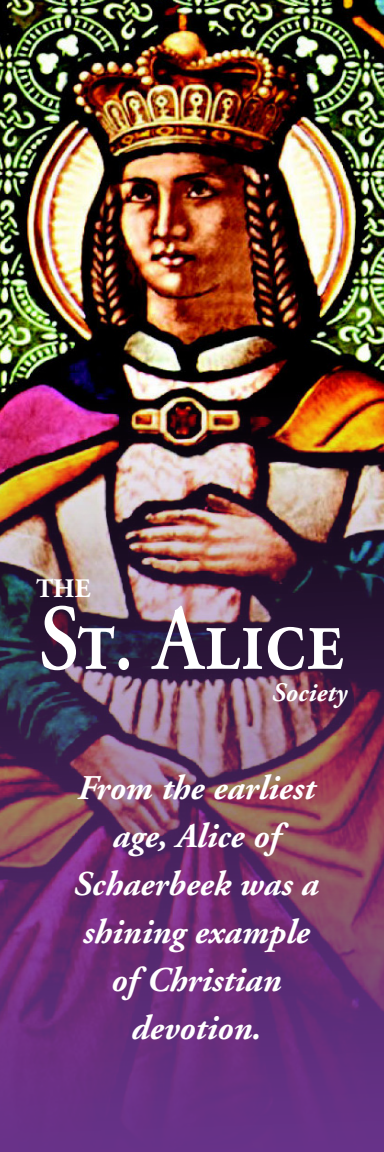
*“Pray for us that we  
might have our sight  
restored, that we  
might see with the  
eyes of our hearts and  
souls, God’s presence  
in and around us.”*

# THE ST. WILLIAM

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Born into a wealthy Italian family, St. William, at an early age, undertook a pilgrimage to the tomb of St. James at the Santiago of Compostela. Inspired by his journey, St. William traveled to southern Italy and lived a life of quiet piety, establishing several monasteries for both men and women who were called to a life of prayerful devotion to our Blessed Lord. His commitment to this monastic lifestyle continued to his death and his relics now feature prominently in many cathedrals throughout Italy.





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*From the earliest  
age, Alice of  
Schaerbeek was a  
shining example  
of Christian  
devotion.*

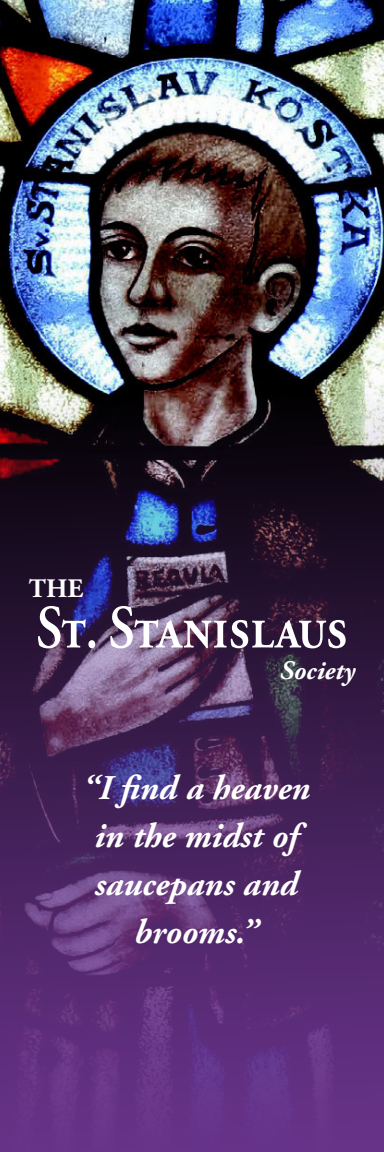
# THE ST. ALICE

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Born in Belgium, St. Alice was raised and educated in a Cistercian monastery, where, from a very early age, she demonstrated heroic devotion to the faith. In her early twenties, St. Alice contracted leprosy, which, over time, progressed to cause her both paralysis and blindness. In great suffering, St. Alice offered her pain for the salvation of sinners and for those in purgatory. Her life is celebrated as a model of monastic spirituality and she was canonized by Pope Pius X.







THE  
**ST. STANISLAUS**  
*Society*

*“I find a heaven  
in the midst of  
saucepans and  
brooms.”*

# THE ST. STANISLAUS

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Born into a wealthy Polish family, St. Stanislaus discerned his vocation to the priesthood while engaged in studies in France. Appointed as Bishop of Krakow, St. Stanislaus was tireless in expanding the presence of the Church in his native Poland, preaching the Gospel, building churches and establishing monasteries. A tireless advocate and champion of the faith, St. Stanislaus was martyred by the King of Poland while celebrating mass at Wawel Castle.



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ST. KATHERINE  
DREXEL  
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*“There is nothing  
little in what is  
done for God.”*

*– St. Katharine Drexel*

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ST. KATHERINE  
DREXEL  
*Society*

In her lifetime, St. Katharine of Drexel sought to bring God's mercy and love to people who were not receiving their share of human resources. Her inherited wealth was transformed into a poverty of spirit that became a daily constant in a life supported only by the bare necessities. In her quiet way, Katharine combined prayerful and total dependence on Divine Providence with determined activism for providing education to minority communities in the United States.



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**LADY OF  
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*“Give me an army  
saying the Rosary  
and I will conquer  
the world.”*

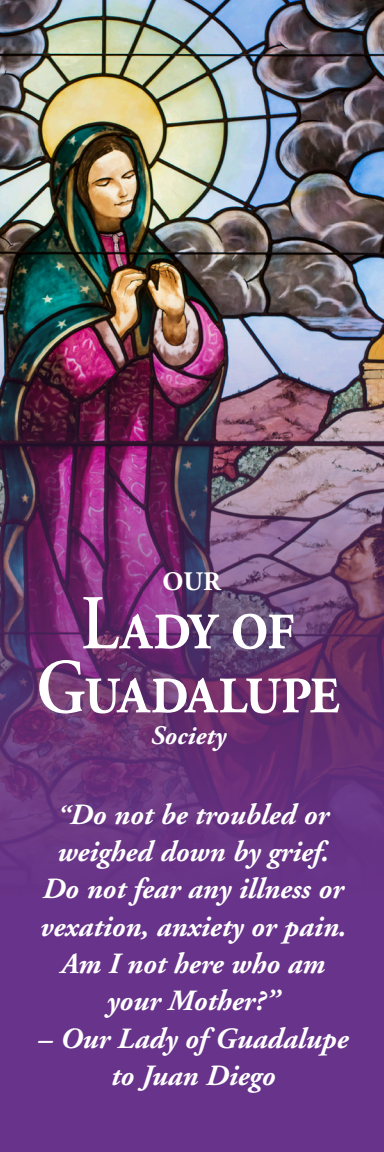
*– Pope Bl. Pius IX*

OUR  
LADY OF  
VICTORY  
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The Feast of Our Lady of Victory was established in 1571 following a victory for Christians in the Battle of Lepanto. For centuries, the Rosary remains the most beautiful and the most rich in graces of all prayers; it is the prayer that touches the Heart of the Mother of God. From victories in battle to victories in illness, like St. Thérèse of Lisieux who was healed at age 10 of a life-threatening illness, this simple contemplative prayer turns our hearts to Mary so that she may guide us to an ever closer union with her Son, Jesus.



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**LADY OF  
GUADALUPE**  
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*“Do not be troubled or  
weighed down by grief.  
Do not fear any illness or  
vexation, anxiety or pain.  
Am I not here who am  
your Mother?”*

*– Our Lady of Guadalupe  
to Juan Diego*

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LADY OF  
GUADALUPE  
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Mary's appearance to Aztec Juan Diego in Mexico changed everything. It helped the Aztecs embrace Christianity and it helped the Spaniards treat the Aztec's with respect. In the aspect of seven years 6 million Aztec Indians had converted to the Catholic Faith. This was the biggest conversion of all times. Now a day we pray to Our Lady of Guadalupe to put an end to the human sacrifices of God's children through abortion and to convert non-believers. Our Lady of Guadalupe is also known as the Patroness of the Americas.



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