

St. Isaac Jogues
Feast day: October 19

Isaac Jogues was a missionary priest from France who came to North America in the 1600s to tell the Native Americans who lived here about Jesus. He traveled for weeks by boat from France all the way to North America (there were no planes back then). When he arrived in North America, he was not able to teach about Christ right away. Before he was able to teach them about Jesus, he first had to learn how to speak the language of the Mohawk tribe. It took him a while to learn that language, but he worked hard and persevered because he knew how important it was to spread the Faith. Issaac Jogues showed a lot of patience during his time as a missionary and it was worth it! Many of the Native Americans converted to the Catholic faith and were baptized. Even when others grew suspicious of Issac Jogues and hurt him, he patiently loved them anyway and continued to help them in any way that he could.

