



# St. Martin de Porres

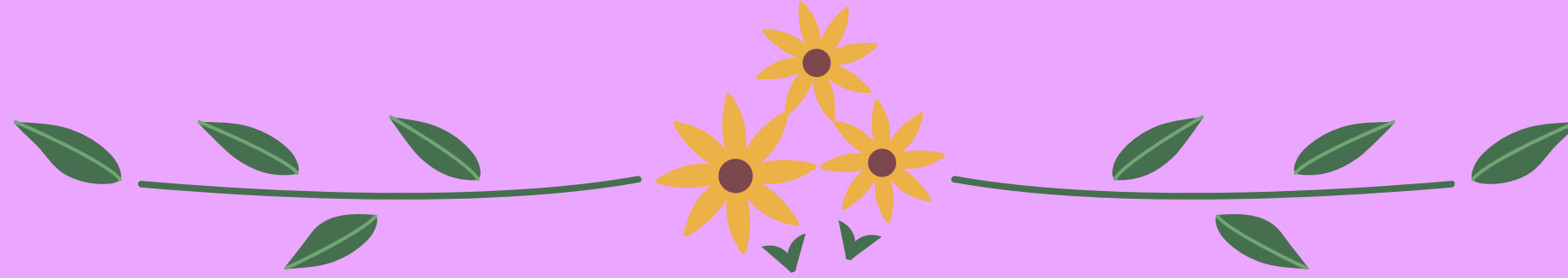
Feast day: November 3





St. Martin de Porres was a Dominican brother. He was born in Lima, Peru and was the son of a knight and a slave. Martin became a Dominican lay brother in Lima and served in various menial offices. He loved Jesus and wanted to serve him, so he cared for the poor. Outside of the monastery he became known for his care of the poor and the sick. Martin founded an orphanage and ministered to slaves.

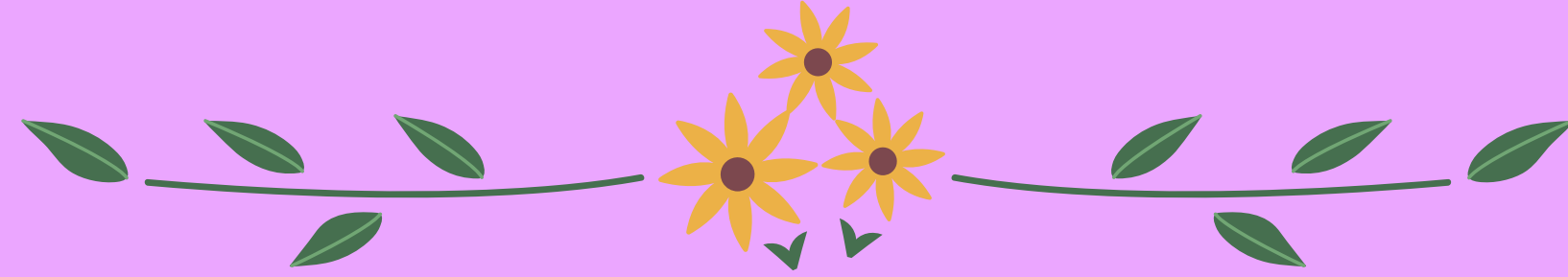




St. Appolonia

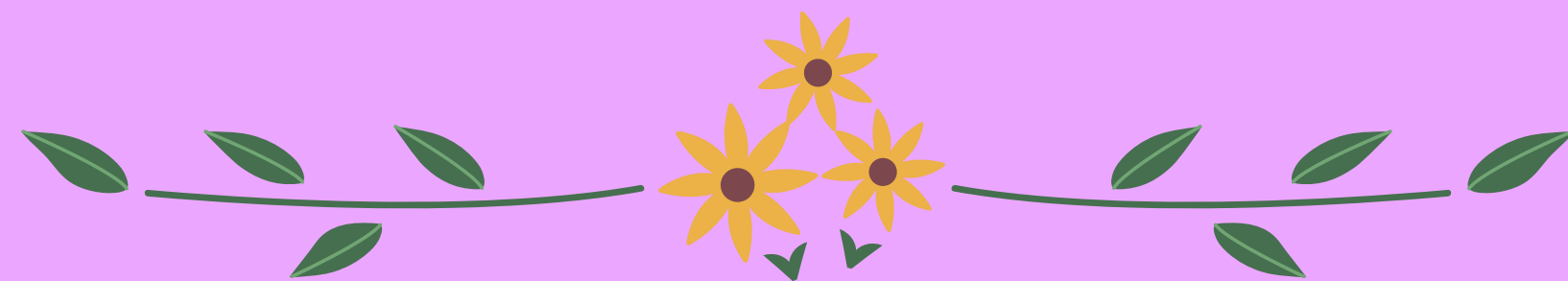


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Saint Apollonia was born in Egypt. She loved and spoke of God her whole life, even people made fun of her. When she was older, she was arrested for her faith, and said to the judge: "I am a Christian and I love and serve the true God." He became very angry and hurt Apollonia. She stood firm and refused to deny Christ even when her persecutors smashed her teeth and knocked them out of her mouth.

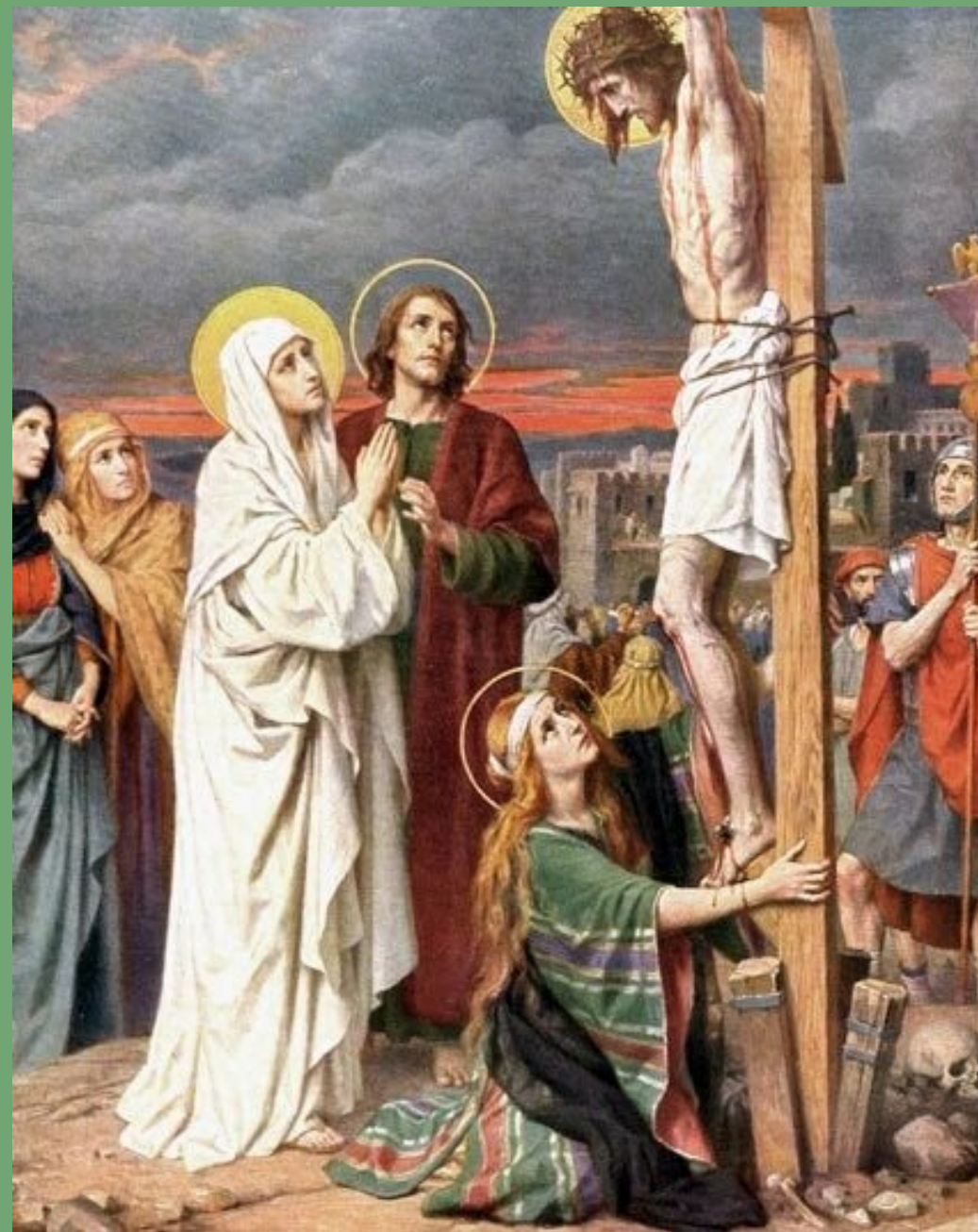
But despite this she still persisted in her love of God and refused to say otherwise.





**Feast Day: December 27th**

St. John the Apostle



Jesus and John were very close friends, and Jesus referred to His closest friends as His Apostles. When Jesus died on the Cross, John stood faithfully by Him with Mary (Jesus' mother) Jesus in turn told John to protect His mother, so John took care of her. After Jesus had Resurrected and Ascended into Heaven, Saint John preached about Jesus and His miracles. John then wrote some of the books in the Bible.