St. Abraham of Rostov

St. Abraham of Rostov was born in the 10th century in Russia. He converted to Christianity in his youth after being cured from illness through prayer. He became a monk, evangelized and became a preacher in Rostov, Russia. According to a legend, Abraham received a staff from a vision of St. John the Divine so that he could smash a pagan stone idol. This saint built a monastery and two churches. He also began charitable organizations. As an abbot, he served others.