St. Aloysius Gonzaga

St. Aloysius Gonzaga was born to a noble family on March 9, 1568, in Lombardy, Italy. His kidney disease caused him to spend a lot of time in bed, but the saint considered it a blessing because it gave him plenty of time for prayer. He joined the Jesuits when he was 18 years old. The saint helped care for plague victims when the disease hit Rome in 1591. While caring for them, he caught the plague and died. St. Aloysius Gonzaga is patron saint of AIDS patients and AIDS caregivers.