

# St. Anthony of Padua

St. Anthony of Padua was born to a wealthy family in Lisbon, Portugal, in 1195. He became a priest and a Franciscan. He later joined the Friars Minor so that he could travel to Morocco to evangelize. When he was shipwrecked in Sicily, he went to Portiuncula and lived in a cave, leaving only to go to Mass. He eventually began traveling through Italy and France to preach, teach and evangelize. This doctor of the church drew a large crowd wherever he spoke. The saint who died in 1231 was also a wonder worker. St. Anthony of Padua is patron saint against shipwrecks.