St. Virgil

St. Virgil was born in Ireland in the eighth century. The Benedictine monk made a pilgrimage to the Holy Land in 743, but he stopped in Bavaria on his way home and never left. He became abbot of St. Peter’s monastery in Salzburg, Austria, and later became bishop of the same city in 765. St. Virgil rebuilt the cathedral in Salzburg and sent priests to Carinthia to serve as missionaries. He died in Salzburg in 784. St. Virgil is patron saint of Salzburg.