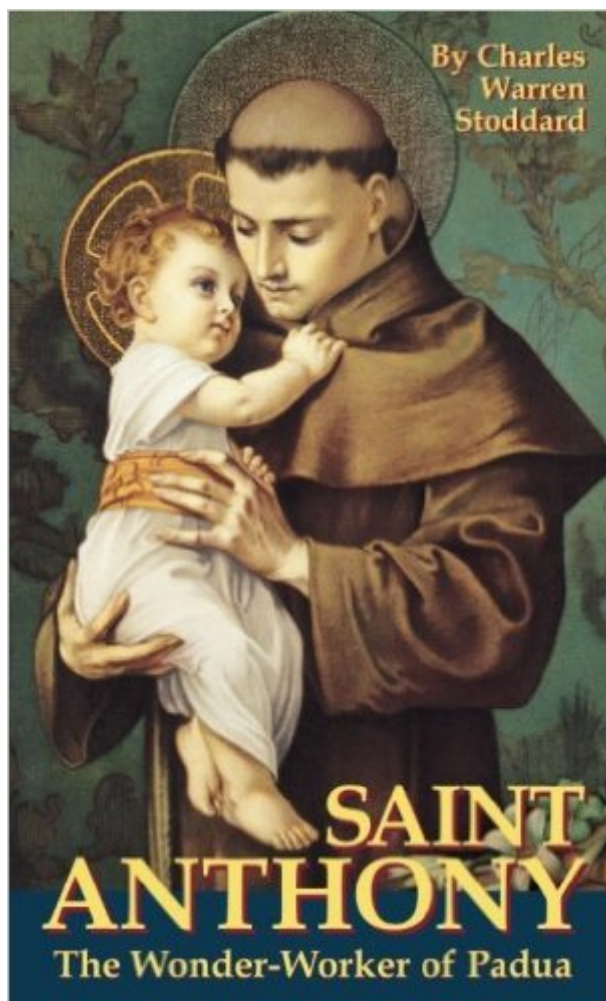


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# St. Anthony: The Wonder-Worker Of Padua



## Synopsis

A beautiful, popular life of the Patron of Lost Objects, a powerful intercessor, and the favorite saint of Catholics. He was the greatest preacher of the middle ages and one of the finest orators of all time. Find out why he is called the Wonder-Worker and the Hammer of Heretics! Includes the famous stories of St. Anthony and the Christ Child, St. Anthony and the Mule, preaching to the fishes, and more. 126 pgs, PB

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## Customer Reviews

St. Anthony of Padua lived a truly remarkable life. The parallels between his life and the life of St. Francis of Assisi are uncanny. Both rejected the comforts of a noble upbringing for a life of solitude and service to God. St. Francis of Assisi was clearly a major influence on the life of St. Anthony. Many recognize St. Anthony as the saint to pray to when things are lost as well as praying to him for safe travels. However, few people are familiar with the miracles performed by St. Anthony. So profound was his work, that the pope put his canonization into progress within a year of St. Anthony's passing from this world. Whether converting pagans and muslims or raising the dead, nothing was impossible for this man who was clearly in the Lord's favor. The printing of S.A.G. on letters invokes the saint's protection on letters and packages. This a small though popular way our lives are influenced by St. Anthony. For those seeking to learn of the divine life of St. Anthony and his miracles, I would highly recommend this book. While the text is brief, the book is packed with information. The faithful should have difficulty stepping away from this read. It should be difficult not

to find inspiration in reading this book. I would hope St. Anthony would guide my life in order that my work might be pleasing to the Lord. I would hope the same for other readers as well.

Anthony of Padua is probably the world's most popular Catholic saint. It is unfortunate, though, that his popularity is a shallow and superficial one. He is mostly known for finding lost objects and that's it. It's a good thing that hagiographies such as this exist to show the world that he is so much more. Note that I used the word "hagiography" as opposed to biography. A biography tries to tell the story of a person in terms of the details of his life, with the purpose of telling historical details. A hagiography tells the story of a saint with the purpose of inspiring faith in readers. Charles Warren Stoddard wrote a hagiography. Don't expect this book to be like biographies where events are arranged by chronological order. Stoddard arranges chapters by topic, focusing on specific aspects of the saint's life. You will see chapters concentrating on Anthony's preaching, another on his miracles, another on his contemplative prayer life, and so on. That being said, the text does what it is supposed to - it captures the imagination and inspires devotion. I heartily recommend this book to anyone who wants to know a little more about Saint Anthony.

How refreshing to learn the TRUE story of Saint Anthony! I have loved the St. Anthony movie - but through the book learned so much more about this truly amazing saint. The movie implies that he had a love that he had to walk away from, but the truth is that he never had any such relationships. This young man was always, from his earliest days, focused on the Almighty. He worked such amazing miracles, that it's truly astonishing that he is (by and large) known for "finding lost objects." While it is true that he will happily help you find things...there is soooo much more to this remarkable saint!! Please read this, and have your children read it! It's a quick and joyful read...you will be so happy to come to know the REAL St. Anthony!

I am a true believer of St. Anthony and in simple words, MIRACLES have worked for me when I have lost things or in some issue and I pray fervently to him and I get a solution to my issue and also have found many lost things. I hope and pray it is my wish that before I die, I want to visit St. Anthony's place in Portugal. The truth is, your prayers are NEVER unanswered. I have purchased a book on St. Anthony from .com. I want to read about all the good things he did and want to try and to do at least .1% like him.

I read so many books on St. Anthony - whatever I could get my hands on because I wanted to know

anything and everything about him. Out of all the books I read I love this one the most. I love the style and language of the author and how thorough he was in summing up what is known about St. Anthony. It certainly portrayed the greatness of the saint!

The Author not only did his homework on St. Anthony but no doubt had a history degree to know the political abilities and state of the Church, Europe, and even the noble status Saint Anthony was born into in those Days."Before Saint Anthony would preach. He'd pray.Lord, Turn My Tongue to your sword"200 years later they opened his casket to move his body to a better Church. They opened the casket to find dust and bone particles. But a moist pink human tongue in perfect condition. ...the church touched cloths to it which laymen Catholics still own privately today.ALSO reading this does not feel like a lecture on a history lesson. Rather a narrative look back in time not just to the accomplishments of the man but his character which is not speculated or exaggerated by the Author. But comes from reliable resources and confirmed accounts."When Saint Anthony would walk out the Monastery doors to preach. The younger members of his order had to hold the crowd back. Especially the women with knives and scissors with no intention to hurt Anthony but to rip off part of his cloak to sell as a relic...He was not even canonized a Saint Yet"."And when he told the crowds what they didn't want to hear and called him a blasphemer. He said he would preach to those more worthy of God's word and walked up to a pond. The curious crowd followed him and saw the fish raise their heads above the water listening to him preach and he repented.""He was also found preaching to the flowers in the garden when there were no crowds or work to do."These quotes are the most minor of his admirations. I am not giving away the book.

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