

# *Saint James the Just*

James (called either "the Less" or "the Just") is a son of Alphaeus. He worked in and near Jerusalem, and was probably its first bishop.

An ancient historian claims that James was pushed from a pinnacle of the temple at the age of 96. Near death, he rose to ask forgiveness for his enemies, who then beat him to death with a fuller's bat (used in cloth-making) and then sawed his body in pieces.

St. James the Just's Feast Day is May 3

