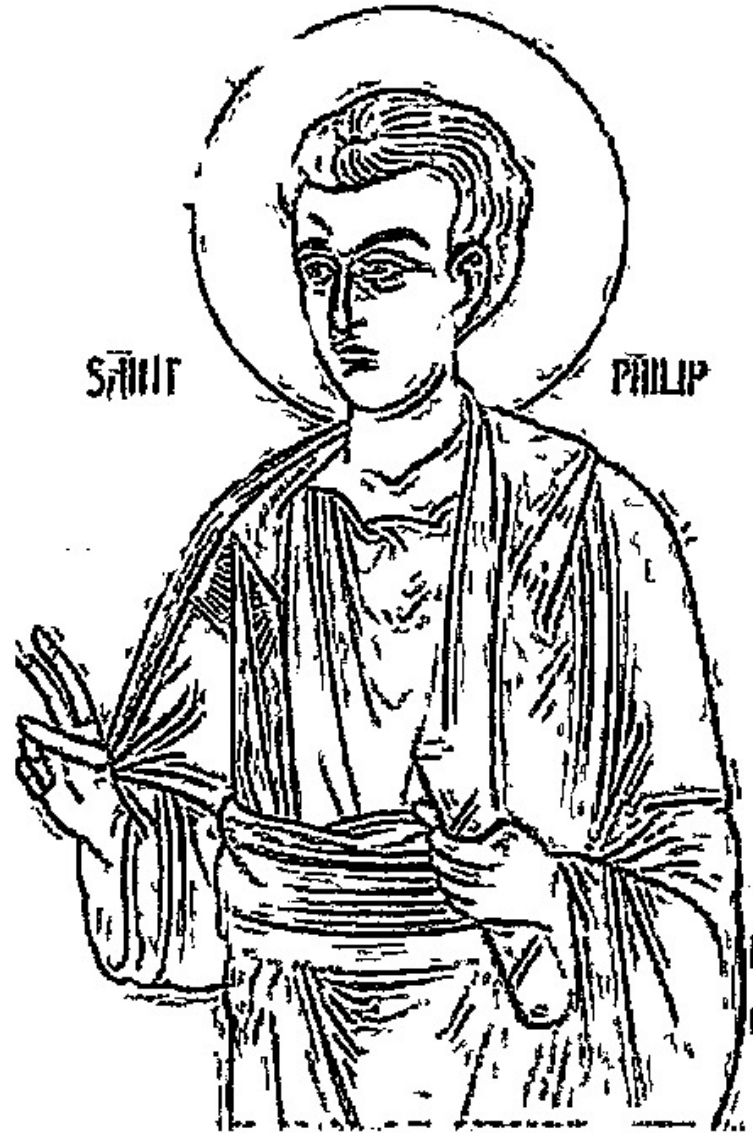


Holy Apostle Philip, pray for us!



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"Let the little children come to me, and do not forbid them, for to such is the Kingdom of Heaven." Mark 10:14

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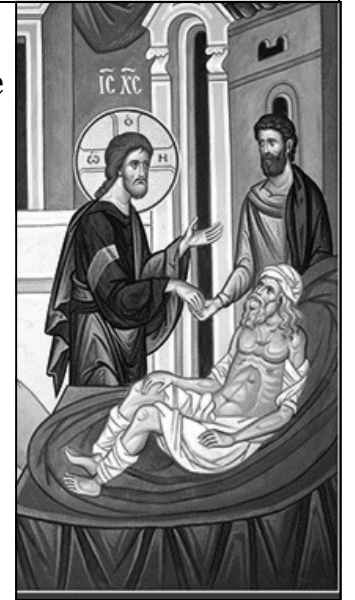
The one who showed mercy

Have you ever wondered how many times we say, "Lord, have mercy!" in the Liturgy? We say it almost 50 times! We say it so many times because we want God to hear us. We want God to forgive us, and keep us with Him even though we don't always do the right thing! We know that only God has the power to do these things for us.

Today we hear the Gospel reading about the Good Samaritan. You know, the story Jesus told about the man who was robbed and beaten up on a trip. Two holy men walked by, but it was a stranger who took care of him. At the end of the story, Jesus asked, "Which of these three acted as a good neighbor?" And of course the answer was, "The one who showed mercy."

We ask God for mercy all the time. We say, "Lord, have mercy!" so many times. We want God to be nice to us and to help us even when we do the wrong thing. God has the power to do that. But sometimes we don't always show mercy to other people. We aren't always nice to other people and we don't always help them when they need help. We have the power to do that for others!

Let's remember how much we need God's mercy. Then, every day, let's try to be "the one who showed mercy" too!



WORD SEARCH

Can you find these words in the jumble?

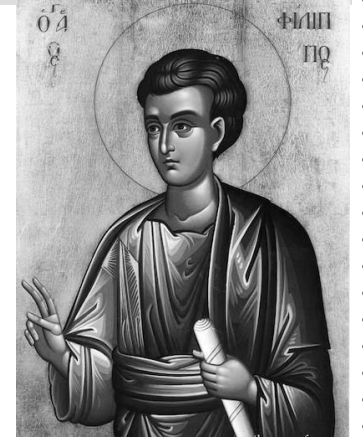
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SAINT PHILIP THE APOSTLE HE BROUGHT OTHERS TO CHRIST!

Have you ever introduced one of your friends to another friend?

This week we celebrate the feastday of one of the apostles, Saint Philip. We hear about Saint Philip a few times in the Gospel. The first time we hear about him is when Jesus told Philip, "Follow me." Then, Philip told his friend Nathaniel the special Person he had met. So, Philip introduced his friend to his friend, our Lord, Jesus Christ!



Saint Philip spent a few years following Christ, while our Lord was preaching and healing people on earth. Then, he spent the rest of his life following Christ, too. He introduced more people to his friend and teacher, Jesus Christ, too.

Our Church tells us that Saint Philip lived in Galilee (where Jesus was from) after Jesus went up to heaven. He told people about Christ there. He also healed many people, with the power of God. One time, a baby had died, and Saint Philip prayed to God and raised the little child up.

Saint Philip introduced strangers to Christ, too! He went to Greece and told people who believed in idols about Christ. Many people became Christian because of him. Finally, the saint was crucified on a cross, because the governor did not want to believe.

We celebrate Saint Philip on Saturday, Nov. 14th (Nov. 27th OC).

What's in an icon?

Here is another icon of the holy Apostle Philip.

Did you know this icon is more than 1,100 years old? It comes from the St. Catherine Monastery on Mount Sinai.

Do you see who is in the corner? Our Lord, Jesus Christ!

