



FEAST OF SAINTS  
PHILLIP AND JAMES  
THE MINOR,  
APOSTLES

MAY 3



**Phillip** was born in Bethsaida, the city of the apostles Andrew and Peter. The evangelist John recounts that Phillip was one of the first called by Jesus, specifically, the day after Peter and Andrew. «The next day, Jesus wanted to leave to Galilee. He sees Phillip and says: *Follow me.* » Impressed, Phillip finds Nathaniel (also called Bartholomew) and tells him: «He whom Moses wrote about in the Law, and the prophets, we have found Him: Jesus, the son of Joseph of Nazareth. » We later find Phillip again at the multiplication of the loaves and fish.

**James the Minor** was from Cana of Galilee; His father was named Alfeo and he was Jesus' cousin. St. Paul affirms that Jesus appeared to him after His Resurrection. And the book of the Acts of the Apostles describes how he was esteemed by the Church of Jerusalem. (They called him "The Bishop of Jerusalem" and «The Saint»). St. Paul wrote, «James is, together with John and Peter, one of the principal pillars of the Church». When the apostles met in Jerusalem for the first Council or meeting of all the heads of the Church, James wrote the letter sent to all the Christians. (Acts 15). He also wrote «The Letter of James» which famously says: «Faith without works is dead».

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