



# St. Thomas Aquinas

January 28

## Who was St. Thomas Aquinas?

St. Thomas Aquinas, also known as the "Doctor Angelicus," holds great significance in the Catholic Church as one of its most influential theologians and philosophers. Born in Italy in 1225, St. Thomas entered the Dominican Order and dedicated his life to studying, teaching and writing about theology and philosophy. His scholarly contributions have had a profound impact on Christian thought, earning him the title of "Doctor of the Church."

St. Thomas Aquinas' most renowned work is the "Summa Theologica," a comprehensive theological masterpiece that systematically addresses a wide range of philosophical and theological topics. His writings sought to harmonize faith and reason, emphasizing the compatibility between natural knowledge and divine revelation. He brilliantly combined the teachings of ancient philosophers like Aristotle with Christian theology, enhancing the understanding of God's existence, creation and the human person's nature and destiny.

The Feast Day of St. Thomas Aquinas is celebrated on January 28th. to honour his intellectual prowess, profound faith and commitment to seeking truth. He is considered a model of balanced reasoning and devout spirituality. Throughout his life, St. Thomas demonstrated that faith and reason could complement each other, enriching our understanding of God's wisdom and the mysteries of faith. His work continues to influence the fields of theology, philosophy and education, inspiring countless individuals to seek knowledge, wisdom and a deeper relationship with God.

On this special day, we celebrate the life and legacy of St. Thomas Aquinas, a brilliant scholar and faithful servant of God, who showed us that the pursuit of truth and understanding is an essential aspect of our Christian journey. His intellectual contributions have left an indelible mark on the Catholic Church and continue to inspire seekers of knowledge to embrace faith and reason as complementary pathways to encountering God's divine wisdom. Let us remember St. Thomas Aquinas' commitment to learning and devotion to God, and may his example encourage us to grow in wisdom and deepen our relationship with the Creator.

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## Quotes

*"To one who has faith, no explanation is necessary. To one without faith, no explanation is possible."*

*"The greatest kindness one can render to any man consists in leading him from error to truth."*

*"The soul is like an uninhabited world that comes to life only when God lays His head against us."*

## Prayer

In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit;

Creator of all things,  
On this Feast day we call upon St. Thomas Aquinas,  
Source of light and wisdom,  
to graciously let a ray of his brilliance  
penetrate into the darkness of our understanding  
and take from us the double darkness  
in which we have been born,  
an obscurity of both sin and ignorance.

Dear St. Thomas Aquinas,  
Give us a sharp sense of understanding,  
a retentive memory,  
and the ability to grasp things correctly and fundamentally.

Grant us the talent of being exact in our explanations,  
and the ability to express ourselves with thoroughness and charm.

Point out the beginning,  
direct the progress,  
and help in completion;  
through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

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**FEAST DAY:**  
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**SCHOOL LOCATION:**  
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