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Essential Websites
Internet Medieval Sourcebook: Saints' Lives

Thomas Head: Hagiography [ORB]
http://orb.rhodes.edu/encycl/op/religion/hagiography/hagindex.html
[Has excellent online bibliographies focused on sainthood in the West.]

Bollandists
http://www.kbr.be/~socboll/

Alice-Mary Talbot: Byzantine Saints' Lives in Translation
http://www.doaks.org/translives.html

Catholic Encyclopedia (1913)
http://www.knight.org/advent/cathen/
[The complete 13 volume encyclopedia ia available online. Many of its articles, especially those by Herbert Thurston were very scholarly. Still, it must be treated with care are times, both because of bias and because of age.]

EWTN Library: Mary and Saints Index
http://www.ewtn.com/library/indexes/MARY.htm
Mixed in among a lot of pietistic accounts are some valuable online gems.

Primary Accounts/Lives/Sources

Christian Saints


See especially Book XXII: Chapter 8”-Of Miracles Which Were Wrought that the World Might Believe in Christ, and Which Have Not Ceased Since the World Believed/ Chapter
That All the Miracles Which are Done by Means of the Martyrs in the Name of Christ Testify to that Faith Which the Martyrs Had in Christ/ Chapter 10:-That the Martyrs Who Obtain Many Miracles in Order that the True God May Be Worshipped, are Worthy of Much Greater Honor Than the Demons, Who Do Some Marvels that They Themselves May Be Supposed to Be God.


http://www-ucpress.berkeley.edu:3030/dynaweb/public/books/classics/krueger


[http://www.doaks.org/ATHW.html](http://www.doaks.org/ATHW.html)


[The Clarke translation is preferable.]

Thérèse of Lisieux, Saint, 1873-1897. *The Story of a Soul*
http://theotokos.faithweb.com/past/soulstory.html


**Saint-figures in Other Religions: Pagan Antiquity**

partially online at http://www.magna.com.au/~prfbrown/a_tyana0.html


**Saint-figures in Other Religions: Islam**

*The Exoteric Ahmad Ibn Idris : A Sufi’s Critique of the Madhahib and the Wahhabis : Four Arabic Texts With Translation and Commentary*. Edited by Bernd Radtke, John


Secondary Sources

Sainthood: Dictionaries, etc.


Sainthood: General


Contents:
The saint as exemplar in late antiquity / Peter Brown
A theater of virtue : the exemplary world of St. Francis of Assisi / Hester Goodenough Gelber
Prophet and saint : the two exemplars of Islam / William M. Brinner
Morality beyond morality in the lives of three Hindu saints / John Stratton Hawley
The Confucian sage / Tu Wei-ming
Sainthood on the periphery : the case of Judaism / Robert L. Cohn
The Buddhist arahant / Stanley J. Tambiah
Saints and virtue in African Islam / Lamin Sanneh --
Aourdes : a case study of moral leadership in Hatian Vodou / Karen McCarthy Brown
Sathya Sai Baba's saintly play / Lawrence A. Babb
Saint Gandhi / Mark Juergensmeyer
Conclusion : after sainthood? / John A. Coleman.


Flashy, and with a lot of expensive illustrations, but has a remarkably clear cross-cultural understanding of sainthood.


**Sainthood: Theory**


**Christian Sainthood: Emergence**


-Crucial work with a clear thesis. See critique by Raymond Van Dam in *Saints and their Miracles in Late Antique Gaul*, pp3ff.


Collected essays.


-Implicit criticism of Brown's thesis in favor of a stress on continuation, and the assimilation of paganism under the form of the cult of saints. This is a very well informed book. but seems to represent an older tradition of Protestant historiography, since Macmullen is willing to dispute and mock more culturally aware historians such as Averil Cameron.


**Byzantine Sainthood**


Contents:
Introduction, Henry Maguire
Matthew W. Dickie, The Fathers of the Church and the Evil Eye
Henry Maguire, Magic and the Christian Image
Alexander Kazhdan, Holy and Unholy Miracle Workers
John Duffy, Reactions of Two Byzantine Intellectuals to the Theory and Practice of Magic: Michael Psellos and Michael Italikos
Marie Theres Fügen, Balsamon on Magic: From Roman Secular Law to Byzantine Canon Law
Richard P. H. Greenfield, A Contribution to the Study of Palaeologan Magic
Robert Mathiesen, Magic in Slavia Orthodoxa: The Written Tradition


**Medieval Sainthood: General**


"Exchange and Interaction between the Living and the Dead in Early Medieval Society." pp. 77-92.
"Humiliation of Saints." pp. 95 115.
"The Saint and the Shrine: the Pilgrim's Goal in the Middle Ages." pp. 163-76.


**Medieval Sainthood: Early Medieval**


Although it claims to be a literary hagiography "written in ecstasy" this is more belles-lettres than history. Stick to Ashley and Sheingorn.


Moloney, Bernadette. "Be Godes halgum: AElfric's Hagiography and the Cult of Saints in England in the Tenth Century." In *Literature and Learning in Medieval and*


Smith, Julia M. H. "Oral and Written: Saints, Miracles and Relics in Brittany, c. 850-1250." *Speculum* 65 (1990), 309-43. [JSTOR]


**Medieval Sainthood: 1050-1350**


**Medieval Sainthood: Later Middle Ages**


**Medieval Sainthood: Female Sanctity**


Blumenfeld-Kosinski, Renate, "'Femme de corps et femme par sens': Christine de Pizan's Saintly Women." Romanic Review 87 (1996), 157-75. [Online at UNF via the "Wilson Select" Database in FirstSearch]


---Chapter V: "And Woman His Humanity": Female Imagery in the Religious Writing of the Later Middle Ages. (pp. 151-79);
---Chapter VI: The Female Body and Religious Practice in the Later Middle Ages (pp. 181-238)


Delierneux, Nathalie, "Virilité physique et sainteté;½ fi;ï;½minine dans l'hagiographie orinetale du IVe au VIIe siè;ï;½cle." Byzantion 67 (1997): 179-243.


Contents
Voice, Gender, and the Portrayal of Sanctity /Catherine M. Mooney
Hildegard and Her Hagiographers: The Remaking of Female Sainthood / Barbara Newman
Holy Woman or Unworthy Vessel? The Representations of Elisabeth of Schonau /Anne
L. Clark
Imitatio Christi or Imitatio Mariae? Clare of Assisi and Her Interpreters / Catherine M. Mooney
Inside Out: Beatrice of Nazareth and Her Hagiographer / Amy Hollywood
A Marriage and Its Observer: Christine of Stommeln, the Heavenly Bridegroom, and Friar Peter of Dacia / John Coakley
Henry Suso and Elsbeth Stagel: Was the Vita a Cooperative Effort? / Frank Tobin
Mystical Death, Bodily Death: Catherine of Siena and Raymond of Capua on the Mystic's Encounter with God / Karen Scott
Authorizing a Life: The Collaboration of Dorothea of Montau and John Marienwerder / Dyan Elliott
The Saints and Their Interpreters: Selected Primary Sources in Original Languages


**Medieval Sainthood: Magic and Miracle**


[On Agobard of Lyon vs popular weather-magic.]


**Early-Modern Catholic Sainthood**


**Modern Catholic Sainthood**

-Covers not just Catholic, but martyrs from other traditions and faiths.


-A scholarly examination of the phenomenon of Lourdes, and the central role of St. Bernardette.


Washington Post: *Mother Teresa Website*  

**Latin American Catholic/Afro-Catholic Sainthood**

Articles: "A world of images : cult, ritual, and society in colonial Mexico City" / C.G. Ayluardo
"Burning saints, molding minds: iconoclasm, civic ritual, and the failed cultural revolution" / A.A. Bantjes


**Periphenomena of Sainthood**


Cruz is over credulous, but she does collect a lot of interesting information and provides quite stunning pictures.


An extremely sceptical view of the periphenomena of sanctity, and a useful antidote to some credulous accounts such as those by Cruz. However, Nickell's mode of operation is simply to find some countervailing argument/opinion or problem, cite it, and move on.
He does not use original sources for the most part, and did only a little, mostly journalistic, research.


**Periphenomena of Sanctity: Some Websites**

The Christian Catacombs of Rome
[http://www.catacombe.roma.it/index.html](http://www.catacombe.roma.it/index.html)

Incorrupt Bodies of the Saints
[http://members.aol.com/ccmail/incorruptbodies.html](http://members.aol.com/ccmail/incorruptbodies.html)

International Crusade for Holy Relics
Holycard Collectors' Site
http://communities.msn.com/holycardcollectors/home.htm

Saints Alive: Authentic relics of the Saints
http://home.earthlink.net/~saintsalive/index.htm

Relic Collection of the Franciscan Brothers of the Sacred Heart
http://www.fcsn.k12.nd.us/broanth/relics.htm

Relics of St. Clare in Assisi
http://www.fcsn.k12.nd.us/broanth/chiara.htm

Relics of the True Cross
http://www.fcsn.k12.nd.us/broanth/cross.htm

Major Relics and Incorruptible Bodies of Saints and Blesseds in Italy
http://www.fcsn.k12.nd.us/broanth/bodyrelics.htm

Padre Pio: Image of Stigmatized Hand
http://www.fcsn.k12.nd.us/broanth/pio.htm

Gazeteer of Relics and Holy Images
http://www.geocities.com/Athens/Olympus/9587/gazeteer.html

Saint Relic Shrine
http://imagesofheaven.tripod.com/RELICS2.html

Visit of Relics of Theresa of Lisieux to the US, 1999-2000
http://www.saint-therese.org/relics.htm

**Protestant Sainthood**


[Online at UNF via the "Wilson Select" Database in FirstSearch]


**Jewish Sainthood**


**Muslim Sainthood**


See also


Chodkiewicz, Michel. *The Seal of the Saints: Prophethood & Sainthood in the Doctrine of Ibn'Arabi*

**Hindu/Indian Sainthood**


**Buddhist Sainthood**


Contents
Trajectories in Buddhist Sacred Biography / Juliane Schober
Part 1 Buddha Biography in Textual and Visual Narratives
Rebirth Traditions and the Lineages of Gotama: A Study in Theravada Buddhology /
Frank E. Reynolds
The Biographical Imperative in Theravada Buddhism / Mark R. Woodward
Narrative as Icon: The Jataka Stories in Ancient Indian and Southeast Asian Architecture / Robert L. Brown
Part 2 Extensions of the Buddha Biography in Texts
A Family Quest: The Buddha, Yasodhara, and Rahula in the Mulasarvastivada Vinaya / John S. Strong
Nagarjuna's Longevity Reginald A. Ray
Stupa, Story, and Empire: Constructions of the Buddha Biography in Early Post-Asokan India / Jonathan S. Walters
Part 3 The Jatakas and Biographies of Kings
Painting the "Great Life" / Forrest McGill
From Prose to Poetry: The Literary Development of Samuttakote / Thomas John Hudson
"Rationality" in the Biography of a Buddhist King: Mongkut, King of Siam (r. 1851-1868) / Paul Christopher Johnson
Part 4 The Biographical Genre in Local Buddhist Cults and Practice
In the Presence of the Buddha: Ritual Veneration of the Burmese Mahamuni Image / Juliane Schober
The Biography of Modern Burmese Buddhist Meditation Master U Ba Khin: Life before the Cradle and past the Grave / Gustaaf Houtman


Chinese/Japanese Religions' Sainthood


Native American Religions' Sainthood


**Secular Sainthood**


A light book in some respects, but a number of articles address Diana's "sainthood" and compare here directly with Mother Theresa, who died the same week: see among others, Sara Maitland, "The Secular Saint," 63-74.


**Secular sainthood: some Websites:**
BBC: Diana Website
http://www.bbc.co.uk/hi/english/static/diana_one_year_on/default.stm

Washington Post: Diana Website

Canonization of Benjamin Franklin by French National Assembly

Radio National (Australia): 20th Century Saints
http://www.abc.net.au/rn/relig/enc/stories/s37265.htm

Frontline: Long Walk of Nelson Mandela
http://www.pbs.org/wgbh/pages/frontline/shows/mandela/