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## Black Saints: Augustine

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Did you know that one of the pillars of the Catholic Church, St. Augustine wrote 96 books during his lifetime?

The two most famous are his biography, *Confessions* and *City of God*. Saint Augustine's writings covered a huge range of subjects such as morals, history, philosophy, and heresy. Christian churches throughout the world have used Augustine's works as major references. Pope Leo X admired St. Augustine so much, that he allowed this bishop's feast to be honored the same as those of Christ's Apostles.

### More about Black Catholic history

Blacks in Catholic Christianity have a long and vibrant history.

Much of that history is generally unknown to Black Catholics as well as to the rest of the faithful. On July 24, 1990, the National Black Catholic Clergy Caucus of the United States designated November as Black Catholic History Month to celebrate this long history and proud heritage of Black Catholics. During this month we celebrate the presence of our ancestors who kept the faith and are models of living the Gospel life.

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