

St. Francis of Assisi (1182-1226)

Name _____

Feast: October 4

Bless All Creatures

St. Francis was a gentle saint who cared for all of God's creatures. On St. Francis's feast day, many churches have a blessing for pets because of Francis's love for animals and birds.

You can make a St. Francis Blessing Card for your pet or for any animal you like. Fold the page in half from top to bottom, then again in from side to side. Cut out the square on the dotted lines as marked on the front of the card.

Then paste your pet's picture or a picture of your favorite animal in the frame. (Use magazines to find a picture you like if you don't have a photograph.) Color the picture of St. Francis, sign your name on the back of the card, and your blessing card is ready to display where you can read it often.