



Saint Christopher

The name Christopher is derived from "Christbearer." Although little is known of his actual life, legend has it that one day a man named Offero, who was of great size and strength, carried a small child across a stream. The child's weight nearly crushed him. Once they arrived on the other side, the child revealed himself as Christ, who was so heavy because he bore the weight of the world upon Him. He then baptized Offero as Christopher, with water from the stream. Best known today as the patron saint of travelers, Christopher is also the patron saint of a holy death.