

CHRISTIAN NAMES FOR CATHOLIC BOYS AND GIRLS

The moment has arrived to choose a Christian name for the baptism of a baby boys or girl. What should the child be called? Must he/she receive the name of a saint? According to the revised Catholic Church Canon Law, it is no longer mandatory that the child receive the name of a saint. The Canon Law states:

"Parents, sponsors and parish priests are to take care that a name is not given which is foreign to Christian sentiment." [Canon # 855]

In other words, the chosen name must appeal to the Christian community. While the names of Jesus and Judas are Biblical in nature, the choice of such names would result in controversy. To many, the Name Jesus is Sacred and the Most Holy of all names. Because Judas is the disciple who betrayed Jesus, many feel this would be a poor choice. Equally, names such as 'cadillac' or 'buick' are not suitable because they represent the individual person's personal interest in certain cars. The following is a short list of names that are suitable for boys and girls. Please keep in mind that this list is far from complete.

NAMES FOR BOYS

Aaron	(Heb., the exalted one)	Arthur	(Celt., supreme ruler)
Abel	(Heb., breath)	Athanasius	(Gr., immortal)
Abner	(Heb., father of light)	Aubrey	(Fr., ruler)
Abraham	(Heb., father of a multitude)	Augustine	(Dim., of Augustus)
Adalbert	(Teut., nobly bright)	Augustus	(Lat., majestic)
Adam	(Heb., the one made; human being; red earth)	Austin	(Var., of Augustine)
Adelbert	(Var., of Adalbert)	Baldwin	(Teut., noble friend)
Adrian	(Lat., dark)	Barnabas	(Heb., son of consolation)
Aidan	(Celt., fire)	Barnaby	(Var., of Bernard)
Alan	(Celt., cheerful)	Bartholomew	(Heb., son of Tolmai)
Alban	(Lat., white)	Basil	(Gr., royal)
Albert	(Teut., illustrious)	Becket	(From St. Thomas à Becket)
Alex	(Short for Alexander)	Bede	(Old English, prayer)
Alexander	(Gr., helper of men)	Benedict	(Lat., blessed)
Alfred	(Teut., good counselor)	Benjamin	(Heb., favourite son)
Allan	(Var., of Alan)	Bennet	(Var., of Benedict)
Allen	(Var., of Alan)	Bennett	(Var., of Benedict)
Aloysius	(Lat., Louis)	Bernard	(Ger., bold as a bear)
Alphonse	(Teut., eager for battle)	Bertram	(Teut., shining raven)
Alvin	(Teut., beloved by all)	Bertrand	(Var., of Bertram)
Ambrose	(Gr., immortal)	Bill	(Short for William)
Amos	(Heb., brave)	Blaise	(Gr., babbler)
Andrew	(Gr., manly)	Blase	(Gr., babbler)
Angelo	(Lat., angel)	Bob	(Short for Robert)
Angus	(Ir., one)	Bonaventure	(Lat., good luck)
Anselm	(Teut., divine helmet)	Boris	(Rus., fight)
Anthony	(Gr., priceless)	Brendan	(Celt., sword)
Antony	(Var., of Anthony)	Brian	(Celt., strong)
Aquinas	(From St. Thomas Aquinas)	Bruce	(Var., of Brice)
Archibald	(Germ., nobly bold)	Bruno	(brown)
Arnold	(Teut., eagle strong)	Bryan	(Var., Brian)

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Burton	(Teut., shining raven)	Duncan	(Gael, brown warrior)
Byron	(Old Eng., bear)	Dunstan	(Old Eng., hill stone)
		Dwight	(a surname)
Cajetan	(Lat., rejoice in)	Eamon	(Irish for Edmund)
Calaude	(Lat., lame)	Earl	(Old Eng., warrior)
Caleb	(Heb., bold, dog)	Earle	(Old Eng., warrior)
Campion	(From Edmund Campion)	Earnest	(Var. of Ernest)
Carl	(Var., Charles)	Ebenazar	(Heb., stone of help)
Carroll	(Irish for Charles)	Edgar	(Old Engl., rich spear)
Cecil	(Lat., dim sighted)	Edmond	(Old Engl., wealthy protection)
Cadric	(Lat., blind)	Edmund	(Old Engl., happy protection)
Chad	(Celt., defence)	Edward	(Old Engl., rich guardian)
Charles	(Teut., man)	Edwin	(Old Engl., rich friend)
Chester	(Lat., camp)	Egan	(Var., of Aidan)
Christian	(Gr., christos)	Egbert	(Old Eng., strong bright)
Christopher	(Gr., Christ bearer)	Elbert	(Var., of Albert)
Chrysostom	(Gr., golden mouthed)	Eli	(Heb., high)
Clarence	(Lat., illustrious)	Eliot	(Dim. of Ellis)
Clark	(Fr., priest)	Elliot	(Dim. of Ellis)
Claud	(Lat., lame)	Elliott	(Dim. of Ellis)
Claude	(Lat., lame)	Emery	(Fr., work ruler)
Clement	(Lat., merciful)	Emory	(Fr., work ruler)
Clifford	(hence, ford at a cliff)	Emil	(Lat., trying to excel)
Clifton	(town at a cliff)	Emanuel	(Heb., God with us)
Clint	(town)	Emmanuel	(Heb., God with us)
Clinton	(town)	Erasmus	(Gr., worthy of love)
Clive	(the surname)	Eric	(Old Norse, honourable ruler)
Clyde	(Scot., river)	Ernest	(Ger., serious)
Colin	(Var., of Colum)	Ernst	(Ger., serious)
Colum	(Gael., dove)	Erwin	(Ger., host, crowd)
Conan	(Celt., wisdom)	Ethan	(Heb., strength)
Conrad	(Teut., bold speech)	Eugene	(Gr., well born)
Constant	(Lat., constant, firm)	Eustace	(Gr., fruitful)
Cornelius	(Lat., horn)	Evan	(Var., of John)
Cosmas	(Gr., order)	Everett	(Teut., strong boar)
Cosmo	(Gr., order)	Ezra	(Heb., help)
Craig	(western for crag)		
Cronan	(Gael., dark brown)	Fabian	(Lat., bean grower)
Curtis	(Fr., courteous)	Felix	(Lat., happy)
Cyprian	(Gr., of Cyprus)	Ferdinand	(Fr., bold in peace)
Cyril	(Gr., lordly)	Fergus	(Celt., manly strength)
Cyrus	(Gr., kyros)	Finbar	(Celt., fair headed)
		Finian	(Celt., fair offspring)
Dale	(Old Engl., valley)	Floyd	(Var., of Lloyd)
Damian	(Gr., tamer)	Francis	(Teut., free)
Daniel	(Heb., the Lord is judge)	Frank	(Dim. of Francis)
Darby	(Var., of Dermot)	Franklin	(Anglo-French, free man)
David	(Heb., beloved)	Frederic	(Fr., peaceful ruler)
Denis	(Lat., god of wine)	Frederick	(Fr., peaceful ruler)
Dennis	(Lat., god of wine)		
Derek	(Contraction of Theodoric)	Gabriel	(Heb., God's strength)
Dermot	(Celt., freeman)	Garrett	(Eng. for Gerald)
Dewey	(Welsh for David)	Gene	(Dim., of Eugene)
Dewi	(Welsh for David)	Geoffrey	(Var., of Godfrey)
Dexter	(Lat., to the right)	George	(Gr., farmer)
Dismas	(The good thief)	Gerald	(Teut., spear rule)
Dominic	(Lat., the Lord's)	Gerard	(Teut., strong spear)
Don	(Celt., the dark stranger)		
Donald	(Celt., the dark stranger)		
Douglas	(Gael, black stream)		

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Gilbert	(Teut., bright pledge)	Joel	(Heb., strong willed)
Gils	(Gr., kid)	John	(Heb., God has mercy)
Glenn	(Celt., valley)	Jon	(Va., of John)
Glen	(Celt., valley)	Jonah	(Heb., dove)
Godfrey	(Teut., God's peace)	Jonas	(Heb., dove)
Gordon	(From St. Gordian)	Jones	(var., of Jonah)
Graham	(a surname)	Jonathan	(Heb., God gave)
Grant	(a surname)	Joseph	(Heb., increase)
Gregory	(Gr., watchman)	Josiah	(Heb., fire of the Lord)
Gustavus	(Germ., staff of the Goths)	Joshua	(Heb., help of Jehovah)
Guy	(Old Fr., guide)	Judah	(Heb., praise)
		Jude	(Heb., praised)
Harold	(Dan., strong warrior)	Jules	(Var., of Julius)
Harry	(Var., of Henry)	Julian	(From Julius)
Harvey	(Teut., warrior)	Julius	(Gr., downy)
Hector	(Gr., holding fast)	Justin	(Var. of Justus, just)
Henry	(Teut., home ruler)		
Herbert	(Teut., shining warrior)	Keith	(Gael, the wind)
Herman	(Gr., army and man)	Kenneth	(Celt., handsome)
Hilary	(Lat., gay, merry)	Kevin	(Gael, comely birth)
Hiram	(Heb., exalted brother)	Kieran	(Gael, black)
Homer	(Gr., a hostage)	Kilian	(Celt., church)
Horace	(Var., of Haratio)		
Horatio	(Lat., name of Roman people,	Lambert	(Teut., land light)
Horace)		Lance	(Fr., servant)
Howard	(Old Engl., swordwatcher)	Lancelot	(Fr., servant)
Hubert	(Teut., bright mind)	Larry	(Dim., of Laurence)
Hugh	(Teut., thought)	Lars	(Dim., of Laurence)
Hugo	(Teut., thought)	Laurence	(Lat., Laurel)
Humphrey	(Old Engl., strength in	Lawrence	(Lat., Laurel)
peace)		Lee	(Var., of Leigh)
Humphry	(Old Engl., strength in	Leigh	(Old Engl., meadow)
peace)		Len	(Dim., of Leonard)
		Leo	(Lat., lion)
Ian	(Lat., gay, merry)	Leon	(Lat., lion)
Ignatius	(Gr., fiery)	Leonard	(Teut., lion bold)
Immanuel	(Heb., God with us)	Leopold	(Gr., strong, bold)
Irving	(surname)	Leroy	(Fr., the king)
Irwin	(Var., of Erwin)	Leslie	(surname)
Isaac	(Heb., laughter)	Lester	(Engl. city, Leicester)
Isador	(Gr., gift of Isis)	Lewis	(Var., of Louis)
Isodor	(Gr., gift of Isis)	Lincoln	(English city)
Isidore	(Gr., strong gift)	Lionel	(Lat., little lion)
Ivan	(Gr., John)	Llewelyn	(Welsh, lionlike)
Ives	(Teut., archer)	Lloyd	(Western, grey)
		Loughlan	(Heb., messenger of the
Jack	(Dim., of John)	Lord)	
Jacob	(Gr., seizing by the heel)	Louis	(Teut., famous war)
James	(Heb., supplanter)	Lowell	(surname)
Jason	(Gr., healer)	Lucius	(Lat., light)
Jasper	(Old Fr., Jasper)	Luke	(Gr., light)
Jay	(surname)	Lyle	(British place + surname)
Jeffrey	(Var., of Geoffrey)		
Jeremiah	(Heb., the Lord loosens)	Malcolm	(Gael, Colum's servant)
Jeremy	(Heb., exalted of the Lord)	Manual	(Var., of Emmanuel)
Jerome	(Gr., holy name)	Marcus	(Lat., the god of war)
Jesse	(Heb., strong)	Marion	(Fr., Mary)
Jim	(Dim., of James)	Mark	(Lat., of Mars)
Jocelyn	(Teut., a Goth)	Marshal	(Old Fr., horse servant)
Joe	(Dim., of Joseph)	Marshall	(Lat., warlike)

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Martin	(Lat., of Mars, warlike)	Pascal	(Heb., Passover)
Marvin	(Germ., sea + a friend)	Paschal	(Heb., Passover)
Matthew	(Heb., the Lord's gift)	Patrick	(Lat., nobly born)
Matthias	(Var., of Matthew)	Paul	(Lat., little)
Maurice	(Fr., a moor)	Percival	(Fr., pierce valley)
Max	(Var., of Maximilian)	Perceval	(Fr., pierce valley)
Maximilian	(Lat., greatest)	Percy	(Fr., pierce)
Maynard	(Anglo-Fr., power + strong)	Perez	(Heb., rent)
Meinrad	(Teut., strong firmness)	Perry	(Fr., Peter)
Mel	(Celt., ?)	Peter	(Gr., rock)
Melvin	(Old Engl., council + wine)	Philip	(Gr., horse lover)
Meredith	(Welsh for Murtagh)	Phillip	(Var., of Philip)
Merle	(Lat., black bird)		
Merlin	(Lat., sea-hill)	Quentin	(Lat., fifth)
Mervin	(Var., of Marvin)		
Mervyn	(Var., of Marvin)	Ralph	(Var., of Randolph)
Michael	(Heb., who is like God)	Randolph	(Old Eng., shieldwolf)
Mike	(Dim., of Michael)	Randy	(Short for Randolph)
Miles	(Gr., crusher; Lat., soldier)	Raphael	(Heb., God's healer)
Milton	(surname)	Raymond	(Teut., wise protection)
Monroe	(surname)	Reginald	(Teut., strong judgment)
Morgan	(Celt., sea dweller)	Reuben	(Heb., behold, a son)
Morris	(Var., of Maurice)	Reymond	(Var., of Raymond)
Mortimer	(surname)	Rex	(Fr., strong king)
Morton	(Old Engl., town)	Reynold	(Var., of Reginald)
Moses	(Heb., child)	Richard	(Old Engl., firm ruler)
Murray	(surname)	Robert	(Teut., bright fame)
Murtagh	(Celt., sea protector)	Robin	(Short for Robert)
Myron	(Gr., myrrh)	Roch	(Fr., rock)
		Rock	(Fr., rock)
Nathan	(Heb., gift)	Roderic	(Var., of Roderick)
Nathaneal	(Heb., gift of God)	Roderick	(Teut., noted ruler)
Nathanie	(Heb., gift of God)	Rodney	(English place, Rodney Stoke)
Neal	(Celt., champion)	Roger	(Teut., famous spear)
Neil	(Celt., champion)	Roland	(Teut., wide famed)
Neison	(surname)	Ronald	(Scottish for Reginald)
Nelson	(Var., of Cornelius)	Ross	(Western, hill, moor)
Nevil	(Town in Normandy)	Roy	(Fr., king)
Neville	(Engl. var., of Alban)	Rudoph	(Gr., a wolf)
Nevin	(Engl. var., of Alban)	Rudolf	(Gr., a wolf)
Newton	(Old Engl., new town)	Rufus	(Lat., red hair)
Nicholas	(Gr., people's victory)	Rupert	(Var., of Robert)
Nicolas	(Old Fr., the people)	Russel	(Fr., reddish)
Noah	(Heb., comfort)	Russell	(Fr., reddish)
Noel	(Fr., Christmas)	Ryan	(Var., of Brian)
Norbert	(Teut., Niord's brightness)		
Norman	(Old Engl., North man)	Sampson	(Var., of Samson)
		Samson	(Heb., bright sun)
Oliver	(Fr., army)	Samuel	(Gr., name of God)
Olivier	(Fr., olive tree)	Sandy	(Scot. dim. for Alexander)
Orlando	(Var., of Roland)	Sanford	(English place, Sandy, ford)
Orson	(Lat., bear)	Saul	(Heb., of God)
Oscar	(Teut., divine spear)	Scott	(Lat., Irishman, later a Scotsman)
Osmond	(Teut., God's protection)	Seamus	(Irish for James)
Osmund	(Teut., God's protection)	Sean	(Irish for John)
Oswald	(Teut., power of God)	Sebastian	(Gr., man of Seabastia)
Oswold	(Old Engl., a god + power)	Seth	(Heb., appointed)
Otto	(old Germ., rich)	Seymour	(Old Engl., sea + a hill)
Owen	(Gr., well-born)		

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Shamus	(Irish for James)	Woodrow	(surname)
Shane	(Irish for John)	Woolfgang	(Teut., wolf's way)
Sheldon	(Old Engl., ledge)		
Sidney	(From St. Denis)	Yves	(Fr., for Ives)
Silas	(Gr., asked for)		
Simon	(Heb., obedient)	Zachariah	(Heb., God remembers)
Sinclair	(For St. Clair)	Zachary	(Heb., remembered by God)
Solomon	(Heb., peaceful)		
Stanley	(Slav., military glory)		
Stephen	(Gr., crowned)		
Steven	(Var., of Stephen)		
Stewart	(Var., of Stuart)		
Stuart	(surname)		
Sydney	(From St. Denis)		
Sylvester	(Lat., a woods)		
Ted	(Dim. of Theodore)		
Terence	(Lat., smooth)		
Terrance	(Var., of Terence)		
Terri	(Short for Terrence)		
Theodore	(Gr., God's gift)		
Theodoric	(Teut., folk rule)		
Thomas	(Aram., twin)		
Timothy	(Gr., god-fearing)		
Tobias	(Heb., goodness of God)		
Toby	(Var., of Tobias)		
Tom	(Short for Thomas)		
Tony	(From Anthony)		
Ulysses	(Latin for Ulixes)		
Uriah	(Heb., God is light)		
Vaugh	(surname)		
Vaughan	(surname)		
Vergil	(Var., of Virgil)		
Vernon	(a town in France)		
Victor	(Lat., victor)		
Vincent	(Lat., to conquer)		
Virgil	(Lat., name of Roman poet)		
Vivian	(Lat., lively)		
Waldo	(Germ., to rule)		
Wallace	(Anglo-Fr., foreign)		
Walter	(Teut., strong warrior)		
Ward	(Old Engl., to protect)		
Warren	(Teut., protecting friend)		
Wayne	(surname)		
Wenceslaus	(Slav., great glory)		
Wendell	(Germ., wander)		
Wesley	(surname)		
Wilbert	(Germ., wish + bright)		
Wilbur	(Old Engl., firm brightness)		
Wilfred	(Old Engl., firm peace)		
Wilfrid	(Old Engl., firm peace)		
Wilhelm	(Germ., for William)		
Will	(Short for William)		
Willard	(surname)		
William	(Teut., strong helmet)		
Willis	(surname)		
Winston	(English name of place)		

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NAMES FOR GIRLS

Abigail	(Heb., father is rejoicing)	Bess	(Dim. of Elizabeth)
Ada	(Teut., happy)	Beth	(Dim. of Elizabeth)
Adah	(Heb., beauty)	Betsy	(Dim. of Elizabeth)
Adaline	(Teut., noble maid)	Betty	(Dim. of Elizabeth)
Adela	(Var. of Adelaide)	Beulah	(Heb., married)
Adelaide	(Fr., nobility)	Beverley	(Engl., beaver)
Adelia	(Var. of Adela)	Beverly	(Engl., beaver)
Adeline	(Var. of Adelaide)	Blanch	(Fr., white)
Adriana	(Var., of Adrian)	Blanche	(Fr., white)
Adrienne	(Var., of Adrian)	Bonita	(Fem. var. of Bonaventure)
Agatha	(Gr., good)	Bonna	(Fem. var. of Bonaventure)
Agnes	(Fr., chaste)	Bonnie	(Fem. var. of Bonaventure)
Aileen	(Irish for Helen)	Bonny	(Fr., good)
Alberta	(Fem. of Albert)	Brenda	(Teut., sword)
Alexandra	(Fem. of Alexander)	Bride	(Var. of Bridget)
Alexis	(Gr., helper)	Brigid	(Var. of Bridget)
Alice	(Teut., noble cheer)	Bridget	(Celt., strength)
Alicia	(Var. of Alice)		
Aline	(Var. of Adeline)	Camille	(Lat., virgin of unblemished character)
Alma	(Lat., loving, sweet; title of the Blessed Virgin Mary)	Candida	(Lat., white)
Amanda	(Lat., worthy of love)	Carlotta	(Var. of Charlotte)
Amata	(Lat., loved)	Carol	(Fem. var. of Charles)
Amelia	(Teut., protectress)	Carola	(Fem. var. of Charles)
Amy	(Lat., loved)	Carole	(Var. of Caroline)
Anastasia	(Gr., who will rise again)	Caroline	(Fem. var. of Charles)
Andrea	(Fem. of Andrew)	Carrie	(Dim. of Caroline)
Angela	(Lat., angel)	Catharine	(Fr., pure)
Angelica	(Var., of Angela)	Catherine	(Gr., pure)
Anita	(Spanish dim. of Ann)	Cecile	(Lat., dim-sighted)
Ann	(Var., of Anna)	Cicilia	(Lat., dim-sighted)
Anna	(Heb., grace)	Cecily	(Lat., dim-sighted)
Annabel	(Lat., lovable)	Celesta	(Lat., heavenly)
Annabelle	(Lat., lovable)	Celeste	(Lat., heavenly)
Anne	(Var., of Anna)	Celestina	(Dim. of Celesta)
Anneliese	(Gr. for Anna)	Celia	(Lat., heavenly)
Annette	(Dim. of Anne)	Celine	(Lat., heavenly)
Antoinette	(Dim. of Antonia)	Charity	(Lat., charity)
Antoinia	(Fem. of Anthony)	Charlotte	(Fr. fem. var. of Charles)
Ariadne	(Gr., holy)	Chloe	(Lat., blooming)
Ariana	(Var., of Ariadne)	Christina	(From Christ)
Arlene	(Var. of Aline)	Christine	(From Christ)
Arline	(Var. of Aline)	Claire	(Fr. for Clara)
Athanasia	(Gr., immortal)	Clara	(Lat., illustrious)
Audrey	(Old Engl., noble maiden)	Clare	(Lat., illustrious)
Augusta	(Fem. of Augustus)	Clarissa	(Lat., most illustrious)
Aurelia	(Lat., golden)	Claudette	(Fem. dim. of Claud)
		Claudia	(Fem. of Claud)
Barbara	(Gr., foreign, strange)	Claudine	(Fem. var. of Claud)
Beatrice	(Lat., joy bringer)	Clementine	(Fem. dim. of Clement)
Beatrix	(Lat., joy bringer)	Colleen	(Irish, girl)
Belinda	(Old Germ., snake)	Constance	(Lat., constant, firm)
Bella	(Dim. of Isabella)	Cora	(Gr., maiden)
Belle	(Dim. of Isabella)	Cordelia	(Celt., daughter of the sea)
Berenice	(Gr., bringer of victory)	Cornelia	(Fem. of Cornelius)
Bernadette	(Fem. dim. of Bernard)	Coreen	(Var. of Corinne)
Bernadine	(Fem. of Bernard)	Corinne	(Fr. for Korinna)
Bernice	(Var. of Berenice)	Cornelia	(Fem. of Cornelius)
Bertha	(Teut., shining one)	Cynthia	(Used for Diana)

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Daisy	(Name of a flower)	Faith	(Lat. faith)
Daphne	(Gr., bay tree)	Fannie	(Dim. of Francis)
Debora	(Heb., bee)	Fanny	(Dim. of Francis)
Deborah	(Heb., a bee)	Fay	(Var. of faith)
Delia	(Fem. of Delius)	Faye	(Lat., faith)
Delilah	(Heb., delicate)	Felicity	(Lat., happiness)
Denise	(Gr., god of Nyssa)	Flora	(Lat., flowers)
Diana	(Lat., divine)	Florence	(Lat., flowering)
Diane	(Fr. for Diana)	Frances	(Fem. of Francis)
Dinah	(Heb., judged)	Frederica	(Fem. of Frederick)
Dolly	(Dim. of Dorothea)	Frieda	(Old Germ. for peace)
Dolores	(Sp., Mary of the Sorrows)	Gabriella	(Fem. of Gabriel)
Dominica	(Fem. var. of Dominic)	Gail	(Dim. of Abigail)
Dominique	(Fem. var. of Dominic)	Gemma	(It., gem)
Dona	(Lat., given)	Genevieve	(Celt., white wave)
Donna	(Lat., given)	Georgette	(Fem. var. of George)
Dora	(Gr., God's gift)	Georgia	(Fem. of George)
Doris	(Var. of Dora)	Georgiana	(Fem. var. of George)
Dorothea	(Gr., God's gift)	Georgina	(Fem. of George)
Dorothy	(Gr., God's gift)	Geralda	(Fem. of Gerald)
		Geraldine	(Fem. of Gerald)
Edith	(Old Engl., happy war)	Gertrude	(Teut., spear strength)
Edna	(Celt, fire)	Gladys	(Welsh from Lat. Claudia)
Eileen	(Var. of Aileen [Helen])	Gloria	(Lat., glorious)
Elaine	(Var. of Helen)	Gloriosa	(Lat., glorious)
Eleanor	(From Alienor)	Grace	(Lat., favour, grace)
Eleanora	(From Alienor)	Greta	(Dim. of Margaret)
Elinor	(Var. of Eleanor)	Gretchen	(Germ., var. of Margaret)
Eliza	(Var. of Elizabeth)	Guinevere	(Celt., white)
Elisabeth	(Heb., God has sworn)	Gwendolen	(Celt for Guinevere)
Elizabeth	(Heb., God is my oath)	Gwendolina	(Celt for Guinevere)
Ella	(Var. of Helen)	Gwendolyn	(Celt for Guinevere)
Ellen	(Var. of Helen)		
Eloisa	(Fr., Heloise [Louise])	Hanna	(Var. of Anna)
Eloise	(Fr., Heloise [Louise])	Hannah	(Var. of Anna)
Elsa	(Gr., ?)	Harriet	(Fem. of Harry [Henry])
Elsie	(Var. of Elizabeth)	Hattie	(Dim. of Harriet)
Elvira	(Goth., ?)	Hazel	(Heb., God sees)
Emilia	(Var. of Emily)	Heather	(Name of a plant)
Emily	(Lat., excelling)	Helen	(Gr., light)
Emma	(Teut., nurse)	Helena	(Gr., light)
Emmeline	(Var. of Emily)	Henrietta	(Fem. dim. of Henry)
Enid	(Old Welsh for soul)	Hester	(Var. of Esther)
Ernestine	(Fem. of Ernest)	Hesther	(Var. of Esther)
Estella	(Lat., star)	Hilda	(Old Engl., battle maid)
Estelle	(Var. of Estella)	Hildegard	(Teut., protecting battlemaid)
Esther	(Per., star)	Hildegarde	(Var. of Hildegard)
Ethel	(Old Engl., noble maiden)	Hope	(Lat., hope)
Etta	(Dim. of Henrietta)		
Ettienne	(Fr., var. of Stephen)	Ida	(Teut., labour)
Eunice	(Gr., good victory)	Imogene	(Fr., From the Shrine of Imoge)
Eva	(Heb., life)	Ingrid	(Norse, Ingvi's ride)
Evangeline	(From the four evangelists)	Irena	(Gr., peace)
Eve	(Heb., life)	Irene	(Gr., peace)
Evelina	(Var. of Eveline)	Iris	(Gr., rainbow)
Eveline	(Fr. for Evelyn)	Irma	(Old Germ., name of war god)
Evelyn	(Engl. var. of Irish Eibhlhin [Helen])	Isabel	(Var. of Elizabeth)

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Isabella	(Span. for Isabel)	Leonara	(Var. of Eleanora)
Isabelle	(Var. of Isabel)	Leonora	(Var. of Eleanor)
Isadora	(Fem. of Isidore)	Leora	(Var. of Eleanor)
Isidora	(Fem. of Isidore)	Leslie	(Name of a place)
Jackie	(Short of Jacqueline)	Libby	(Dim. of Elizabeth)
Jacqueline	(Heb., supplanter)	Lila	(Lat., lily)
Jane	(Engl. for Joanna)	Lilian	(Lat., lily)
Janet	(Dim. of Jane)	Lillian	(Var. of Lilian)
Janice	(Dim. of Jane)	Lilly	(Dim. of Lilian)
Jean	(Fem. of John)	Lily	(Lat., lily)
Jeanne	(Fem. of John)	Linda	(Dem. of Belinda)
Jeannette	(Dim. of Jeanne)	Lisa	(Var. of Elizabeth)
Jennifer	(Celt, white wave)	Lise	(Var. of Elizabeth)
Jenny	(Dim. of Jane)	Lisette	(Var. of Elizabeth)
Jessica	(From Joanna)	Lois	(Gr., Lois)
Jessie	(From Joanna)	Lola	(Sp., dim. of Dolores)
Jill	(From Julia)	Lora	(Same as Laura)
Joan	(Fem. var. of John)	Loretta	(Same as Laura)
Joanna	(Fem. var. of John)	Lorna	(Coined by R. D. Blackmore)
Joanne	(Fem. of John)	Loraine	(Lat., Laurel)
Jocelin	(Fr. for Joscelin)	Lorraine	(Var. of Loraine)
Joceline	(Fr. for Joscelin)	Lottie	(Dim. of Charlotte)
Jocelyn	(Fr. for Joscelin)	Lotty	(Dim. of Charlotte)
Johanna	(Var. of Joanna)	Louella	(Louise-Ella)
Josephine	(Dim. of Joseph)	Louisa	(Fem. of Louis)
Joy	(Lat., merry)	Louise	(Fem. of Louis)
Joyce	(Lat., merry)	Luchina	(Lat. dim of Lucy)
Juanita	(Sp. for Joanna)	Lucia	(Fem. of Lucius)
Judith	(Heb., praised)	Lucile	(Lat., light)
Judy	(From Judith)	Lucille	(Var. of Lucile)
Julia	(Lat., downy)	Lucinda	(Var. of Lucy)
Julie	(Fr. for Julia)	Lucy	(Fem. of Lucius)
Juliana	(Fem. of Julian)	Luella	(Var. of Louella)
Juliet	(Dim. of Julia)	Luisa	(From Louisa)
Juliette	(Dim. of Julia)	Luise	(From Louise)
June	(Lat., youthful)	Lulu	(Dim. of Louise)
Karen	(Scan. for Catherine)	Lydia	(Gr., from Lydia)
Kate	(Dim. of Catherine)	Lynn	(Name of British place)
Katharine	(Var. of Catherine)	Mabel	(Lat. lovable)
Katherine	(Var. of Catherine)	Madalena	(Spanish from Magdalen)
Katheryn	(Var. of Catherine)	Madeleine	(Fr. for Magdalen)
Kathleen	(Irish var of Catherine)	Madge	(Dim. of Margaret)
Kay	(Dim. of Catherine)	Madison	(name of a place)
Kayla	(Var. of Kay)	Mae	(Var. of May for Mary)
Kit	(Dim. of Catherine)	Magdalen	(Heb. of Magdala)
Kitty	(Dim. of Catherine)	Magdalene	(Heb. of Magdala)
Kristen	(Lat., follower of Christ)	Maggie	(Dim. of Margaret)
Kristine	(Gr., Christ-bearer)	Maisie	(Scot. dim. of Margaret)
Laura	(From Laurence)	Mamie	(From Mary)
Laurette	(From Laurence)	Marcia	(Fem. of Marcus)
Lavinia	(Fr., the wine)	Margaret	(Gr., pearl)
Leah	(Heb., weary)	Margery	(Var. of Margaret)
Leila	(Ar., darkness)	Margo	(Short for Margaret)
Leilah	(Ar., darkness)	Margot	(Short for Margaret)
Lena	(Short for Helen)	Marguerite	(Fr. for Margaret)
Lenore	(Var. of Eleanor)	Maria	(Var. of Mary)
Leona	(Fem. of Leo)	Marian	(From Mary)
		Marianne	(From Mary)
		Marie	(Fr. for Mary)

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Marilyn	(Var. of Mary)	Olive	(Lat., olive)
Marion	(Var. of Mary)	Olivia	(Lat., olive)
Marjorie	(Var. of Margaret)	Oona	(Lat., one)
Marjory	(Var. of Margaret)	Oonah	(Lat., one)
Martha	(Aram., lady)	Ophelia	(Gr., a help)
Marthe	(Aram., lady)		
Mary	(Heb., beautiful)	Pamela	(Coined by Sir Philip Sidney)
Mathilda	(Var. of Matilda)	Patrice	(Fem. of Patrick)
Matilda	(Teut., battle maid)	Patricia	(Fem. of Patrick)
Maud	(Var. of Matilda)	Paula	(Fem. of Paul)
Maude	(Var. of Matilda)	Paulette	(Dim. of Paula)
Maura	(Gr., dark)	Pauline	(Dim. of Paula)
Maureen	(Ir. var. of Mary)	Pearl	(Same as Margaret)
Maxine	(Fem. of Max)	Peg	(Pet name of Margaret)
May	(From Mary or Margaret)	Peggy	(Pet name of Margaret)
Maybelle	(Var. of Mabel)	Penelope	(Gr., Pénélopé)
Mayme	(From Mary)	Penny	(Dim. of Penelope)
Meg	(Dim. of Margaret)	Phebe	(Gr., bright)
Megan	(Var. of Meg)	Philomena	(Gr., beloved)
Melissa	(Gr., bee)	Phoebe	(Gr., bright)
Mercy	(Spanish for mercy)	Phillis	(Gr., leaf)
Merry	(Spanish for mercy)	Phyllis	(Gr., leaf)
Michaela	(Fem. of Michael)	Pia	(Lat., loyal)
Michelle	(Fem. of Michael)	Polly	(Var. of Molly)
Mildred	(Old Engl., power)	Portia	(Lat., a pig)
Mimi	(Teut., strong helmet)	Priscilla	(Lat., ancient)
Mina	(Teut., strong helmet)	Prudence	(Lat., prudence)
Minette	(Teut., strong helmet)		
Minna	(Teut., strong helmet)	Rachel	(Heb., ewe; same as Agnes)
Minnie	(Teut., strong helmet)	Ramona	(Fem. of Ramon [Raymond])
Miranda	(Lat., strange, wonderful)	Rafaela	(Var. of Raphael)
Miriam	(Var. of Mary)	Raphaela	(Var. of Raphael)
Molly	(Var. of Mary)	Rebecca	(Lat., queen)
Mona	(Var. of Monica)	Regina	(Lat., a queen)
Monica	(Gr., counselor)	Reina	(Var. of Regina)
Muriel	(Gaelic for Mary)	Reine	(Var. of Regina)
Myra	(Fem. of Myron)	Rhoda	(Var. of Rose)
Myrtle	(Name of a plant)	Rita	(Short for Margarita [Margaret])
		Robert	(fem. of Robert)
Nadine	(Russ. for hope)	Rosa	(Lat., Rose)
Nan	(Var. of Anne)	Rosalba	(Var. of Rosa)
Nana	(Var. of Anne)	Rosalia	(Var. of Rosa)
Nancy	(Var. of Anne)	Rosalie	(Var. of Rosa)
Nanette	(Var. of Anne)	Rosalind	(Dim. of Rosa)
Nannette	(Fr. for Anna)	Rosamond	(Lat., clean rose)
Naomi	(Heb., my delight)	Rosamund	(Lat., clean rose)
Natalie	(Lat., birth)	Rosanne	(Dim. of Rose)
Nathalie	(Lat., birth)	Rose	(Lat., Rose)
Nell	(Dim. of Helen and Eleanor)	Rosemary	(Lat., sea-dew)
Nellie	(Var. of Nell)	Rosita	(Var. of Rose)
Nelly	(Dim. of Helen and Eleanor)	Roslyn	(Dim. of Rosa)
Nicole	(Fr. origin)	Rowena	(Old Engl., a friend)
Noel	(Fr. for Natal)	Roxane	(Per., brightness)
Nora	(Lat., honour)	Ruby	(Scottish fem. of Robert)
Norah	(Lat., honour)	Ruth	(Heb., beauty)
Noreen	(Lat., honour)		
Norine	(Lat., honour)	Sadie	(Var. of Sara)
Norma	(Lat., rule)	Sally	(Dim. of Sara)
		Salome	(Heb., peaceful)
Olga	(Norse, holy)	Salomea	(Heb., peaceful)

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Sandra	(Contraction of Alexandra)	Vivien	(Lat., alive)
Saphir	(delightful)	Wanda	(Var. of Wendy)
Sara	(Heb., princess)	Wendy	(Teut., wanderer)
Sarah	(Heb., princess)	Wilhelmina	(Germ., fem. of Wilhelm)
Selma	(Gr., a ship)	Wilma	(Fem. of William)
Sharon	(From Rose of Sharon; title of Blessed Virgin Mary)	Wilmett	(Fem. of William)
Sheila	(Irish from Cecilia)	Winifred	(Western, white wave)
Shelly	(Var. of Sharon)	Yvette	(Fr. from Judith)
Shirley	(surname)	Yvonne	(Fem. of Ives)
Sibyl	(Gr., prophetess)	Zita	(Sp., little hope)
Silvia	(Lat., of the forest)	Zoa	(Gr., life)
Silvya	(Lat., of the forest)	Zoe	(Gr., life)
Simona	(Fem. var. of Simon)		
Simone	(Fem. var. of Simon)		
Sofia	(Gr., wisdom)		
Sonia	(Russ. var. of Sophia)		
Sonya	(Russ. var. of Sophia)		
Sophia	(Gr., wisdom)		
Sophie	(Gr., wisdom)		
Sophy	(Var. of Sophia)		
Stella	(Var. of Estella)		
Stefanie	(Fem. for Stephen)		
Stephanie	(Fem. for Stephen)		
Susan	(Heb., lily)		
Susanna	(Heb., lily)		
Susannah	(Var. of Susan)		
Suzanne	(Fr. for Susan)		
Sybil	(Gr., prophetess)		
Sylvia	(Lat., a wood)		
Tabitha	(Gr., roe, gazelle)		
Teresa	(Gr., reaper)		
Terry	(Dim. of Theresa)		
Tess	(Dim. of Teresa)		
Tessie	(Dim. of Teresa)		
Thelma	(Var. of Selma)		
Theodora	(Fem. of Theodore)		
Theresa	(Var. of Teresa)		
Therese	(Fr. for Teresa)		
Tillie	(Dim. of Matilda)		
Tilly	(Dim. of Matilda)		
Tina	(Short for Christina)		
Tracy	(Engl. contraction of Teresa)		
Trudy	(Dim. of Gertrude)		
Una	(Lat., one)		
Ursula	(Lat., little bear)		
Valerie	(Fr., to be strong)		
Vallerie	(Var. of Valerie)		
Vanessa	(Substitute for Esther)		
Vera	(Lat., true)		
Veronica	(Gr., victory bringer)		
Victoria	(Lat., victory)		
Viola	(Lat., a violet)		
Violet	(Lat., violet)		
Violette	(Lat., violet)		
Virginia	(Lat., flowering)		
Vivian	(Lat., lively)		