

St. Protasius of Milan



St. Protasius of Milan was also known as Protasius Algisi. He was Destined to the Italian respectability. Cleric. He served as a religious administrator of Milan, Italy c.330, serving an amazing remainder more than 20 years after the fact.

Upheld Saint Athanasius of Alexandria against the Arians. Gone to the Synod of Sardica in 343, and utilized it as a stage against Arianism.

Almost nothing is known about the life of Protasius. He was elected bishop of Milan in 328, and served until his death, about 343.

Athanasius of Alexandria, in his *Apologia ad Constantium*, mentioned that Protasius was with him when he spoke to the Roman Emperor Constantius II; this episode can be dated about 342 or 343. In 343, Protasius attended the Council of Sardica and signed its decrees, standing up against the Arians and supporting the faith of the Council of Nicaea.

Protasius died about 343 on 24 November. His body was buried in Milan in the Church of San Vittore al Corpo (Saint Victor Maurus), where it is venerated still. A late tradition, with no historical basis, associates Protasius with a Milanese family, the Algisi.