

## Saint Thecla

In Iconium (Konya), among those who embraced the Good News, through the preaching of Saint Paul, there was a certain young girl called Thecla. She broke up her engagement and decided to dedicate her life to God. Her family and, in particular, her fiancée, could not accept her conversion and, being unable to make her change her mind, they denounced her and had her arrested. Condemned to death and miraculously saved, Thecla went to Seleucia (Silifke) and took refuge in a cave, where she lived until very old age. Her commemoration falls on September 23.

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