



Son of an Irish prince. Related to Saint Foillan and Saint Ultan of Péronne. Educated by Saint Brendan the Voyager. Priest. Abbot of a house at Rathmat, Ireland. Preached, evangelized, and established monasteries in Ireland for twelve years. Evangelized in England, building monasteries. Evangelized in France, working with Saint Blitharius; they had great success. Clovis, king of the Franks, received him, and asked that he build a house at Lagny, France. Raised the young son of a court nobleman from the dead. Given to ecstasies and trances during which he received visions of an immense struggle between good and evil, with glimpses of heaven and hell.

The visions were described in the aptly named *Visions of Fursey*, and had a great effect on such works as Dante's *Divine Comedy*. Bede wrote extensively and glowingly of Fursey. His image is on the banner of the city of Peronne, France.