

Need another word that means the same as “sanctify”? Find 39 synonyms and 30 related words for “sanctify” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Sanctify” are: bless, consecrate, hallow, purge, purify, make holy, make sacred, set apart, dedicate to god, anoint, ordain, canonize, beatify, approve, sanction, give the stamp of approval to, underwrite, condone, justify, vindicate, endorse, support, back, ratify, confirm, warrant, permit, allow, accredit, authorize, legitimize, legitimize, cleanse, free from sin, absolve, unburden, redeem, exculpate, wash someone's sins away**

## Sanctify as a Verb

### Definitions of "Sanctify" as a verb

According to the [Oxford Dictionary of English](#), “sanctify” as a verb can have the following definitions:

- *Make legitimate or binding by a religious ceremony.*
- *Free from sin; purify.*
- *Cause to be or seem morally right or acceptable.*
- *Render holy by means of religious rites.*
- *Make pure or free from sin or guilt.*
- *Set apart as or declare holy; consecrate.*

### Synonyms of "Sanctify" as a verb (39 Words)

**absolve**                      Let off the hook.  
                                      I **absolve** you from this responsibility.

<b>accredit</b>	Provide or send (envoys or ambassadors) with official credentials. <i>He was <b>accredited</b> with being one of the world s fastest sprinters.</i>
<b>allow</b>	Allow or plan for a certain possibility concede the truth or validity of something. <i>He <b>allowed</b> that the penalty appeared too harsh for the crime.</i>
<b>anoint</b>	Smear or rub with oil, typically as part of a religious ceremony. <i>Samuel <b>anointed</b> him king.</i>
<b>approve</b>	Give sanction to. <i>They would not <b>approve</b>.</i>
<b>authorize</b>	Give official permission for or approval to (an undertaking or agent). <i>The government <b>authorized</b> further aircraft production.</i>
<b><u>back</u></b>	Cover the back of an article in order to support protect or decorate it. <i>On his new album he is <b>backed</b> by an American group.</i>
<b>beatify</b>	Fill with sublime emotion. <i>He beatified Juan Diego, an Indian believed to have had a vision of the Virgin Mary in 1531.</i>
<b><u>bless</u></b>	Make the sign of the cross. <i>We have been <b>blessed</b> with a beautiful baby boy.</i>
<b>canonize</b>	(in the Roman Catholic Church) officially declare (a dead person) to be a saint. <i>He <b>canonizes</b> women.</i>
<b>cleanse</b>	Make (something, especially the skin) thoroughly clean. <i>Purgatory is supposed to <b>cleanse</b> you from your sins.</i>
<b>condone</b>	Excuse, overlook, or make allowances for; be lenient with. <i>The college cannot <b>condone</b> any behaviour that involves illicit drugs.</i>
<b>confirm</b>	Administer the religious rite of confirmation to. <i>The report <b>confirms</b> that a diet rich in vitamin C can help to prevent cataracts.</i>
<b>consecrate</b>	Make or declare (something, typically a church) sacred; dedicate formally to a religious purpose. <i>He was <b>consecrated</b> bishop of York.</i>
<b>dedicate to god</b>	Give entirely to a specific person, activity, or cause.
<b>endorse</b>	Sign (a cheque or bill of exchange) on the back to make it payable to someone other than the stated payee or to accept responsibility for paying it. <i><b>Endorse</b> a new project.</i>

<b>exculpate</b>	Show or declare that (someone) is not guilty of wrongdoing. <i>The article <b>exculpated</b> the mayor.</i>
<b>free from sin</b>	Remove or force out from a position.
<b>give the stamp of approval to</b>	Inflict as a punishment.
<b>hallow</b>	Make holy; consecrate. <i>The Ganges is <b>hallowed</b> as a sacred cleansing river.</i>
<b><u>justify</u></b>	Adjust the spaces between words. <i>In most European languages you <b>justify</b> text by adding space between letters and words.</i>
<b>legitimize</b>	Make legitimate or lawful. <i>They found a way to <b>legitimize</b> the collection of private data.</i>
<b>legitimize</b>	Make legitimate. <i>Voters <b>legitimize</b> the government through the election of public officials.</i>
<b>make holy</b>	Give rise to; cause to happen or occur, not always intentionally.
<b>make sacred</b>	Earn on some commercial or business transaction; earn as salary or wages.
<b>ordain</b>	Order by virtue of superior authority; decree. <i>The minister was <b>ordained</b> only last month.</i>
<b><u>permit</u></b>	Officially allow (someone) to do something. <i>This will <b>permit</b> the rain to run off.</i>
<b>purge</b>	Eject the contents of the stomach through the mouth. <i><b>Purge</b> the old gas tank.</i>
<b><u>purify</u></b>	Make ceremonially clean. <i>The hippies came to the ashram in order to <b>purify</b>.</i>
<b>ratify</b>	Approve and express assent, responsibility, or obligation. <i>Both countries were due to <b>ratify</b> the treaty by the end of the year.</i>
<b>redeem</b>	Exchange or buy back for money; under threat. <i>The party prepared to <b>redeem</b> the pledges of the past three years.</i>
<b>sanction</b>	Give sanction to. <i>The scheme was <b>sanctioned</b> by the court.</i>
<b>set apart</b>	Fix in a border.
<b>support</b>	Give moral or psychological support aid or courage to. <i>My main concern was to <b>support</b> my family.</i>

<b><u>unburden</u></b>	Relieve (someone) of something that is causing them anxiety or distress. <b>Unburden</b> the donkey.
<b><u>underwrite</u></b>	Accept (a liability or risk) under the terms of an insurance policy. They were willing to <b>underwrite</b> in part the construction of a ship.
<b>vindicate</b>	Clear (someone) of blame or suspicion. <b>Vindicate</b> the rights of the citizens.
<b>warrant</b>	Stand behind and guarantee the quality, accuracy, or condition of. The vendor <b>warrants</b> the accuracy of the report.
<b>wash someone's sins away</b>	To cleanse (itself or another animal) by licking.

### Usage Examples of "Sanctify" as a verb

- *Their love is sanctified by the sacrament of marriage.*
- *A small shrine was built to sanctify the site.*
- *May God sanctify his soul.*
- *Ancient customs that are sanctified by tradition.*

### Associations of "Sanctify" (30 Words)

<b>accursed</b>	Used to express strong dislike of or anger at someone or something. The Angel of Death walks this <b>accursed</b> house.
<b>anoint</b>	Administer an oil or ointment to ; often in a religious ceremony of blessing. High priests were <b>anointed</b> with oil.
<b>bath</b>	A room as in a residence containing a bathtub or shower and usually a washbasin and toilet. How to <b>bath</b> a baby.
<b><u>bathe</u></b>	Wash (someone) in a bath. The park lay <b>bathed</b> in sunshine.
<b>benedict</b>	United States anthropologist (1887-1948).
<b><u>bless</u></b>	Render holy by means of religious rites. He <b>blessed</b> the dying man and anointed him.
<b>canonize</b>	Treat or regard as being above reproach or of great significance. After he was shown to have performed a miracle the priest was <b>canonized</b> .
<b><u>church</u></b>	Take a woman who has recently given birth to church for a service of thanksgiving. Our <b>church</b> is hosting a picnic next week.

<b>clean</b>	Be cleanable. <i><b>Clean</b> up before you see your grandparents.</i>
<b>cleanse</b>	Clean one's body or parts thereof, as by washing. <i>Only God Himself can <b>cleanse</b> us.</i>
<b>consecrate</b>	Make or declare (something, typically a church) sacred; dedicate formally to a religious purpose. <i>The <b>consecrated</b> chapel.</i>
<b>consign</b>	Send (goods) by a public carrier. <i><b>Consign</b> your baggage.</i>
<b>cursed</b>	In danger of the eternal punishment of Hell. <i><b>Cursed</b> with four daughter.</i>
<b>dedicate</b>	Set apart to sacred uses with solemn rites, of a church. <i>She <b>dedicated</b> her book to her parents.</i>
<b>distill</b>	Remove impurities from increase the concentration of and separate through the process of distillation. <i>The acid <b>distills</b> at a specific temperature.</i>
<b>distillation</b>	The process of purifying a liquid by boiling it and condensing its vapors. <i>The film is a <b>distillation</b> of personal experiences.</i>
<b>extol</b>	Praise enthusiastically. <i>He <b>extolled</b> the virtues of the Russian peoples.</i>
<b>glorify</b>	Praise glorify or honor. <i>You are <b>glorifying</b> a rather mediocre building.</i>
<b>holy</b>	Belonging to or derived from or associated with a divine power. <i>The <b>holy</b> month of Ramadan.</i>
<b>inviolable</b>	Must be kept sacred. <i>An international memorial which must remain <b>inviolable</b>.</i>
<b>laud</b>	Praise. <i>All glory <b>laud</b> and honour to Thee Redeemer King.</i>
<b>laundry</b>	A company washing and ironing clothes and linen commercially. <i>Cooking and <b>laundry</b> were undertaken by domestic staff.</i>
<b>purge</b>	Remove a group of undesirable people from (an organization or place) in an abrupt or violent way. <i><b>Purge</b> the old gas tank.</i>
<b>purify</b>	Make pure or free from sin or guilt. <i>They set out to <b>purify</b> art by reviving the spirit and style of early religious painting.</i>

<b>refine</b>	Improve or perfect by pruning or polishing. <i><b>Refine</b> sugar.</i>
<b>sacred</b>	Worthy of respect or dedication. <i>A morning hour <b>sacred</b> to study.</i>
<b>saint</b>	A person who has died and has been declared a saint by canonization. <i>She s a <b>saint</b> to go on living with that man.</i>
<b>shampoo</b>	Wash or clean something especially the hair with shampoo. <i>He smelt clean of soap and <b>shampoo</b>.</i>
<b>specie</b>	Coins collectively. <i>The Bank of England in 1795 had held around 8 million in <b>specie</b>.</i>
<b>wash</b>	A quantity of clothes needing to be or just having been washed. <i>Citrus scented body <b>wash</b>.</i>