

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.

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

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

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

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

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

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