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Semen est sanguis Christianorum (The blood of Christians is the seed of the Church)

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2004 Roman Martyrology by Month

January

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This Day, the First Day of January

On the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord and the day of His Circumcision, the *Solemnity of the Holy Mother of God*, Mary, whom the Fathers at the Council of Ephesus acclaimed as the *Theotokos* (God-bearer), because from her the Word took flesh and dwelt among men as the Son of God, the Prince of Peace, to Whom the Name above every Name has been given.

2. At Caesarea in Cappadocia, the laying to rest of **Saint Basil, bishop**, whose memorial is celebrated tomorrow.

3. In Campania and Abruzzo, Saint Justin, who is honored as a bishop, notable for his zeal and for defending the Christian faithful.

4. At Rome, **Saint Almachius**, who, opposing the gladiatorial games, was slain by the gladiators at the command of Alypius, Prefect of the City, and was counted among the victorious martyrs.

5. At Mount Jura, in the region of Lyon in France, **Saint Eugendus, abbot** of Condat, who lived in the monastery from childhood and promoted the monastic common life with all his zeal.

6. At Ruspe in Byzacena, **Saint Fulgentius, bishop**, who, after serving as procurator of Byzacena, became a monk, was later made bishop, and suffered greatly during the Vandal persecution under the Arians and was twice exiled to Sardinia by King Thrasamund. Finally restored to his people, he nourished them faithfully with the word of truth and grace for the rest of his life.

7. At Vienne in Burgundy, **Saint Clarus, abbot** of the monastery of Saint Marcellus, who provided the monks with an example of religious perfection.

8. At Troyes in Neustria, **Saint Frodobert**, founder and first **abbot** of the monastery of Cellæ.

9. In the monastery of Fécamp in Normandy, the passing of **Saint William, abbot** of Saint Benignus of Dijon, who, in the final period of his life, wisely and firmly governed many monks distributed among forty monasteries.

10. At Souvigny in Burgundy, the passing of **Saint Odilo, abbot** of Cluny, who, strict with himself but gentle and merciful with others, instituted truces in God's name among those at war, alleviated the afflicted during famine, and was the first to establish, in his monasteries, the commemoration of all the faithful departed on the day after the Feast of All Saints.

11. At Gablona in Bohemia, **Saint Zdislava, a mother** of a family, who was a great source of comfort to the afflicted.

12. At Gualdo Cattaneo in Umbria, **blessed Ugolino**, who lived a **hermit's** life.

13. At Rome, **Saint Joseph Mary Tomasi**, **priest** of the Order of Clerics Regular (Theatines) and cardinal, who, burning with desire to restore divine worship, spent almost his entire life searching for and publishing ancient texts and monuments of the sacred liturgy, and devoted himself to catechizing children.

14. At Avrillé near Angers in France, **the blessed brothers John and René Lego**, **priests and martyrs**, who, during the violence of the French Revolution, were beheaded for refusing to take the impious oath imposed on the clergy.

15. At Rome, **Saint Vincent Mary Strambi**, **bishop** of Macerata and Tolentino, of the Congregation of the Passion, who governed his dioceses in holiness and, for his fidelity to the Roman Pontiff, suffered exile.

16. At Hasselt near Maastricht in Belgium, **blessed Valentin Paquay**, **priest** of the Order of Friars Minor, who offered a remarkable example of Christian charity through prayer, the ministry of reconciliation, and devotion to the rosary of the Blessed Virgin, attaining great holiness in the spirit of humility from among the
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17. At Lviv in Ukraine, **blessed Sigismund Gorazdowski**, **priest**, a Pole by nationality, outstanding in love for his neighbor and a pioneer in efforts to protect life. He founded the *Institute of the Sisters of Saint Joseph* and devoted himself entirely to the good of the poor and the abandoned.

18. In the Dachau concentration camp near Munich in Bavaria, Germany, **blessed Marian Konopiński**, **priest and martyr**, a Pole by nationality, who, having endured cruel atrocities inflicted by doctors, died for the Lord ChriSaint

January 2nd

This Day, the Second Day of January

Memorial of **Saints Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen, bishops and Doctors of the Church.** Basil, bishop of Caesarea in Cappadocia, called great in learning and wisdom, taught monks the meditation of the Scriptures and labor in obedience and brotherly charity. He established their way of life according to rules he himself composed. He instructed the faithful through excellent writings and stood out for his pastoral care of the poor and sick. He died on the first of January. Gregory, his friend, bishop of Sasima, then of Constantinople, and finally of Nazianzus, defended the divinity of the Word with great fervor, for which reason he is also called *The Theologian*. The Church rejoices in the joint commemoration of these great Doctors.

2. At Rome, **the burial of Saint Telesphorus, pope**, who, according to Saint Irenaeus, was the seventh bishop after the Apostles and achieved a glorious martyrdom.

3. In the territory of Corano, at the thirtieth milestone from the City, **the holy martyrs Argeus, Narcissus, and Marcellinus.**

4. At Marseille in the province of France, **Saint Theodore, bishop**, who, having attempted to establish ecclesiastical discipline, was punished by Kings Childebert

and Guntram and was exiled three times.

5. At the monastery of Bobbio in Emilia, **Saint Bladulf, priest and monk**, a disciple of Saint Columban.

6. At Milan in Lombardy, **Saint John the Good, bishop**, who restored the episcopal see, exiled to Genoa due to the Lombards, to his city. He was pleasing to God and to men by his faith and good morals.

7. In the region of Tulle in Aquitaine, **Saint Vincentianus, hermit**.

8. At Limerick in Ireland, **Saint Mainchin**, who is venerated as a **bishop**.

9. At the monastery of Corbie in the region of Amiens in France, **Saint Adalhard, abbot**, who arranged all things so that each person had enough—neither having excess nor letting anything be wasted—but that all things might be kindly given to the praise of God.

10. At Maurienne in Savoy, **Saint Airauld, bishop**, who, both in the solitude of Portes and in the episcopal see of Maurienne, combined the austerity and customs of the Carthusians with the prudence and counsel of a pastor.

11. At Troina in Sicily, **Saint Sylvester, abbot**, under the discipline of the Eastern Fathers.

12. At Forlì in Emilia, **blessed Marcolinus Amanni, priest** of the Order of Preachers, who spent his entire life in silence and solitude, as well as in the service of the poor and in the care of children, with most humble simplicity.

13. At Soncino in Lombardy, **blessed Stephana Quinzani, virgin**, of the *Third Order of Saint Dominic*, devoted constantly to contemplation of the Lord's Passion

and to the Christian formation of girls.

14. At Angers in France, the **blessed William Repin and Laurent Bâtard, priests and martyrs**, who, during the French turmoil, were beheaded for their fidelity to the Church.

15. In the city of Lachine in the Province of Quebec, Canada, **blessed Marie-Anne (Mary Stella) Soureau-Blondin, virgin**, who, though herself ignorant of letters in youth, founded the *Congregation of the Sisters of Saint Anne* to educate the children of farmers, always giving an outstanding example in the ministry of teaching the young.

January 3rd

This Day, the Third Day of January

Of the **Most Holy Name of Jesus**, at which name alone every knee should bend, in heaven, on earth, and under the earth, to the glory of the divine majesty.

2. At Rome, in the cemetery of Callistus on the Appian Way, the burial of **Saint Antherus, pope**, who, after Pontian the martyr, held the episcopate for a short time.

3. At Nicomedia in Bithynia, the **Saints Theopemptus and Theonas**, who suffered **martyrdom** during the persecution of the Emperor Diocletian.

4. At Caesarea in Cappadocia, **Saint Gordius, a centurion and martyr**, whom Saint Basil praised as a true rival of the centurion who stood by the Cross, because he confessed Jesus, the Son of God, during the persecution of the Emperor Diocletian.

5. At Padua in the region of Venice, **Saint Daniel, deacon and martyr**.

6. At Parion in the Hellespont, **Saint Theogenes, martyr**, who, having been conscripted under the Emperor Licinius, refused to serve in the military because of his Christian faith; he was thrown into prison and subjected to tortures, and finally drowned in the sea.

7. At Vienne in France, **Saint Florentius, bishop**, who took part in the Council of Julia Valentia.

8. At Paris in France, the burial of **Saint Geneviève, virgin** of Nanterre, who, at the age of fifteen, received the veil of virgins at the urging of Saint Germanus, bishop of Auxerre. She encouraged the frightened citizens during the invasion of the Huns and sustained her fellow citizens during a time of famine.

9. At Leontini in Sicily, **Saint Lucian, bishop**.

10. In the Monastery of Mannanam, in the region of Kerala, India, **blessed Kuriakose Elias Chavara, priest** and founder of the *Congregation of the Carmelites of Mary Immaculate*.

January 4th

This Day, the Fourth Day of January

1. In Moesia, the **holy martyrs Hermes and Caius**, one of whom was at Retiaria, the other at Bononia.
2. In Auvergne in Aquitaine, **Saint Abrunculus, bishop**, who, having first presided over the Church of Langres, fled by night from the threats of the Burgundians and crossed into the territory of the Arverni, where he took the seat of Saint Sidonius Apollinaris.
3. At Dijon in Burgundy, **Saint Gregory**, who, after serving for many years as count in the region of Autun, was ordained **bishop** of Langres.
4. At Uzès in Narbonese France, **Saint Ferreolus, bishop**, who wrote a Rule for monks and, driven into exile by envy, was recognized after three years as a true man of God and was joyfully restored to his people.
5. At Meaux in Neustria, **Saint Rigomer, bishop**.
6. At Reims, also in Neustria, **Saint Rigobert, bishop**, who, against the canons, was expelled from his see by Charles Martel, Duke of the Franks, and lived a life of humility.
7. At Bruay on the Scheldt near Valenciennes in Artois, Neustria, **Saint Pharaildis**, widow, who, though unwillingly married to a violent man, is said to have embraced a life of prayer and austerity into old age.

8. At Foligno in Umbria, **blessed Angela**, who, after the death of her husband and sons, followed in the footsteps of Saint Francis, dedicated herself wholly to God, and entrusted to her book of life profound experiences of the mystical life.

9. At Santa Croce sull'Arno in Etruria, **blessed Christiana (Oringa) Menabuoi, virgin**, who founded a monastery under the Rule of Saint Augustine.

10. At Durham in England, **blessed Thomas Plumtree, priest and martyr**, who, under Queen Elizabeth I, was condemned to death for his fidelity to the Catholic Church and, choosing the noose over the axe before the gallows, bravely underwent the same punishment.

11. At Emmitsburg, in Maryland, United States of America, **Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton**, who, having become a widow, professed the Catholic faith and diligently worked with the *Sisters of Charity of Saint Joseph*, whom she founded, to educate girls and care for poor children.

12. At Madrid in Spain, **blessed Emmanuel González García, bishop**, who, as a shepherd after the heart of the Lord, zealously promoted the devotion to the Most Holy Eucharist and founded the *Congregation of the Missionary Sisters of Nazareth*.

January 5th

This Day, the Fifth Day of January

1. At Alexandria in Egypt, **Saint Syncletica, virgin**, who is said to have led a hermit's life.
2. At Carthage, **Saint Deogratias, bishop**, who ransomed many captives brought by the Vandals from the city of Rome, and gathered them in two large basilicas, which he had prepared with beds and straw.
3. At Rome, **Saint Emiliana, virgin**, aunt of Saint Gregory the Great, who departed to the Lord shortly after her sister Tharsilla.
4. In Brittany, **Saint Convoyon, abbot**, who founded the Monastery of Saint Savior at Redon, where, under his discipline and the Rule of Saint Benedict, monks flourished with remarkable piety; and when the monastery was destroyed by the Normans, he built a new one at Plelan, where he died at the age of eighty.
5. At London in England, **Saint Edward**, called the **Confessor**, king of the English, most beloved by his people for his extraordinary charity, who secured peace for his kingdom and firmly promoted communion with the Roman See.
6. Near Valkenburg in the region of Limburg, **Saint Gerlac, hermit**, noted for his care for the poor.
7. At Todi in Umbria, **blessed Roger, priest** of the Order of Friars Minor, who was a disciple of Saint Francis and a fervent imitator of his way of life.
8. At Angers in France, **blessed Francis Peltier, James Ledoyen, and Peter Tessier, priests and martyrs**, who, during the French turmoil, were beheaded because they faithfully preserved the priesthood.
9. At Philadelphia in Pennsylvania, United States of America, **Saint John Nepomucene Neumann, bishop**, of the Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer,

who helped migrants in poverty with support, counsel, and charity, and was greatly devoted to the Christian education of children.

10. At Genoa in Italy, **blessed Mary Repetto, virgin**, of the Sisters of Our Lady of Refuge on Mount Calvary, who, hidden from the world, stood out in assisting the afflicted and uplifting the doubtful with hope of salvation. |

11. At Dublin in Ireland, **blessed Charles of Saint Andrew (John Andrew Houben), priest** of the Congregation of the Passion, diligent minister of the sacrament of penance.

12. In the city of Jazlowice in Ukraine, **blessed Marcelina Darowska**, who, after the deaths of her husband and firstborn, dedicated herself to God and, always concerned for the dignity of family life, founded the *Congregation of the Sisters of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary* to educate girls.

13. At Spoleto in Italy, **blessed Peter Bonilli, priest**, founder of the *Institute of the Sisters of the Holy Family*, for helping and educating poor girls and orphans.

14. At Zaragoza in Spain, **Saint Genoveva Torres Morales, virgin**, who, having experienced hardships from childhood and suffering from poor health, founded the *Institute of the Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Holy Angels*, to assist women.

January 6th

This Day, the Sixth Day of January

1. At Antinoë in Thebaid, the **holy martyrs Julian and Basilissa**.
2. At Nantes in Brittany (Minor), **Saint Felix, bishop**, who, serving his fellow citizens with the witness of his own zeal, rebuilt the cathedral church and continually evangelized the rural peoples.
3. At Würzburg in Franconia, Germany, **blessed Macarius, abbot**, who was the first to preside over the Monastery of the Scots in this city.
4. At Barcelona in Catalonia, Spain, **Saint Raymond of Peñafort**, whose memorial is celebrated on the following day.
5. At Famagusta on the island of Cyprus, the passing of **Saint Peter Thomas, bishop** of Constantinople, of the Order of Carmelites, who fulfilled the mission of papal legate to the East.
6. At Fiesole in Etruria, **Saint Andrew Corsini**, bishop, of the Order of Carmelites, notable for his austerity and constant meditation on the Holy Scriptures, who restored convents ravaged by plague, wisely governed his church, brought comfort to the poor, and reconciled those in conflict.
7. At Valencia in Spain, **Saint John of Ribera**, bishop and also viceroy, a devout worshipper of the **Most Holy Eucharist** and defender of Catholic truth, who educated the people through lengthy instruction.
8. At Rome, **Saint Charles of Sezze**, religious of the Order of Friars Minor, who, from childhood forced to earn his daily bread, led companions to imitate Christ and the Saints, and finally, as he had long desired, clothed in the Franciscan habit, devoted himself in adoration before the Most Blessed Sacrament of the Altar.

9. Also at Rome, **Saint Rafaela Maria of the Sacred Heart** (Rafaela María Porras Ayllón), virgin, who founded the *Congregation of the Handmaids of the Sacred Heart of Jesus*, and, judged to be of unsound mind, completed a holy life in trials and penance.

10. At Montreal (Marianopolis) in the province of Quebec, Canada, **blessed André (Alfred) Bessette**, religious of the Congregation of Holy Cross, who saw to the construction there of a remarkable sanctuary in honor of Saint Joseph.

January 7th

This Day, the Seventh Day of January

Saint Raymond of Peñafort, priest of the Order of Preachers, a man outstanding in knowledge of canon law, who wrote rightly and fruitfully about the Sacrament of Penance, and, elected Master General of the Order, prepared a new edition of the Constitutions of the Order, and in extreme old age peacefully fell asleep in the Lord at Barcelona in Spain.

2. At Melitene in Armenia, **Saint Polyeuctus**, martyr, a soldier who, when compelled by an edict of Emperor Decius to sacrifice to the gods, smashed the idols and, having suffered many tortures, was finally beheaded, and was baptized in his own shed blood.

3. At Nicomedia in Bithynia, the **passion of Saint Lucian**, priest of the Church of Antioch and martyr, renowned for his learning and eloquence, who, when brought before the tribunal, courageously confessed himself a Christian under constant questioning and added torments.

4. At Passau in Noricum (modern-day Austria/Germany), **Saint Valentine, bishop** of Raetia.

5. At Pavia in Liguria, **Saint Crispin**, bishop.

6. At Chur in Raetia, among the Swiss, **Saint Valentinian, bishop**, who helped the poor with his wealth, paid ransom for captives, and generously gave clothing to the naked.

7. At Solignac near Limoges in Aquitaine, **Saint Tillo**, who was a disciple of Saint Eligius, and both a blacksmith and a monk.

8. At Constantinople, **Saint Cyrus**, bishop, who, having been a monk in Paphlagonia, was raised to the See of Constantinople, from which he was later deposed and died in exile.

9.* At Le Mans in France, **Saint Alderic**, bishop, who devoted himself with all zeal to the worship of God and the Saints.

10. In a forest near Ringsted in Denmark, **Saint Canute**, surnamed **Lavard**, martyr, who, as **Duke of Schleswig**, ruled justly and wisely, fostered piety, and was killed by enemies jealous of his authority.

11. At Palermo in Sicily, the passing of **blessed Matthew Guimerà, bishop** of Agrigento, of the Order of Friars Minor, devoted to and a promoter of the Most

Holy Name of Jesus.

12.* At Suzuta in Japan, **blessed Ambrose Fernandez, martyr**, who originally went to the East for profit and trade, but was later admitted as a religious to the Society of Jesus. Afflicted by many hardships, he died in prison for Christ

13. In the village of An Bài in Tonkin (modern-day northern Vietnam), **Saint Joseph Tuan**, martyr, a father and farmer, who, kneeling in prayer before a cross he was ordered to trample, was beheaded under the emperor Tự Đức.

14. At Liège in Belgium, **blessed Marie Thérèse (Jeanne) Haze, virgin**, who founded the *Congregation of the Daughters of the Cross* for the service of the weak and the poor.

January 8th

This Day, the Eighth Day of January

1. At Hierapolis in Phrygia, **Saint Apollinaris, bishop**, who flourished in teaching and holiness under Emperor Marcus Aurelius.

2. In Libya, the **holy martyrs Theophilus, deacon**, and **Helladius**, who were first torn apart and pierced with very sharp shards, and finally thrown into the fire, as is told.

3. At Beauvais in Belgic France, the **holy martyrs Lucian, Maximian, and Julian**.

4. Also, at Metz in Belgic France, **Saint Patient, bishop**.

5. In Ripuarian Noricum (a Roman province along the Danube), **Saint Severinus, priest and monk**, who, after the death of Attila, king of the Huns, came to this region and defended unarmed peoples, tamed the fierce, converted unbelievers, founded monasteries, and instructed the uncultivated in religion.

6. At Pavia in Liguria, **Saint Maximus, bishop**.

7. In the Monastery of Choziba in Palestine, **Saint George, monk and hermit**, who remained enclosed the entire week and joined the brothers in prayer on Sundays, offering them spiritual guidance and advice to all.

8. In the region of Aberdeen in Scotland, **Saint Nathalan, bishop**, distinguished for his charity toward the poor.

9. At Regensburg in Bavaria, **Saint Erhard**, who was of Irish origin, and burning with zeal to spread the Gospel, went to this region where he fulfilled the office of bishop.

10. At Morsel in Brabant, **Saint Gudula, virgin**, who devoted herself in her home to charity and prayer.

11. At Cashel in Ireland, **Saint Albert, bishop**, English by birth, and a long-time pilgrim for Christ

12. At Venice, **Saint Lawrence Giustiniani, bishop**, who enlightened this Church with the wisdom of reform and doctrine.

13. At Newcastle-upon-Tyne in England, **blessed Edward Waterson**, priest and martyr, who, under Queen Elizabeth I, was condemned to death for having come to England as a priest and was hanged on the gallows.

January 9th

This Day, the Ninth Day of January

1. At Ancona in Piceno, Italy, **Saint Marcellinus, bishop**, who, as Pope Saint Gregory the Great writes, delivered that city from fire by divine power.
2. At Canterbury in England, **Saint Hadrian**, abbot, who, born in Africa, came to England via Naples in Campania, and, being richly instructed in both sacred and secular learning, educated a multitude of disciples with saving knowledge.
3. In Scotland, **Saint Fillan**, abbot of the monastery of Saint Andrew, who, distinguished for his austerity of discipline, lived a life of solitude.
4. On Mount Olympus in Bithynia, **Saint Eustratius**, surnamed the Wonderworker, **abbot** of the monastery of Abgar.
5. At Thénézay in the district of Poitiers in Aquitaine, **Saint Honoratus of Buzançais**, who, being a cattle merchant, gave dowries to the poor with his own money and was killed by thieves whom he had reproved.

6. At Certaldo in Etruria (Tuscany), **blessed Julia della Rena**, of the Third Order of Saint Augustine, who lived solely for God, enclosed in a small cell near the church.

7. At Ancona in Piceno, Italy, **blessed Antonio Fatati, bishop**, who was prudent and calm in all the missions entrusted to him by the Roman Pontiffs, austere toward himself, and generous toward the poor.

8. At Nancy in France, **blessed Marie-Thérèse of Jesus (Alix Le Clerc), virgin**, who, together with Saint Peter Fourier, founded the *Congregation of the Canonesses Regular of Our Lady*, under the Rule of Saint Augustine, to educate girls.

9. At Seoul in Korea, the **holy martyrs Agatha Yi, virgin**—whose parents were also crowned with martyrdom—and **Teresa Kim, widow**, who were struck with blows in prison for Christ and finally beheaded.

10. Near Munich in Bavaria, Germany, in the Dachau concentration camp, **blessed Joseph Pawłowski and Casimir Grelewski, priests and martyrs**, who, during the war, were deported from Poland, which had been invaded by persecutors of the faith, and completed their martyrdom by the torment of hanging.

January 10th

This Day, the Tenth Day of January

1. At Rome, in the cemetery of Callistus on the Appian Way, **Saint Miltiades, Pope**, who, originally from Africa, experienced the restoration of peace to the Church

under Emperor Constantine, but was severely harassed by the followers of Donatus, and worked wisely to bring about harmony.

2. In the Thebaid (Egypt), **Saint Paul, hermit**, an early promoter of the monastic life.

3. At Nyssa in Cappadocia, **Saint Gregory, bishop**, brother of Saint Basil the Great, renowned for his life and teaching, who, for confessing the true faith, was driven from his city by the Arian emperor Valens.

4. At Jerusalem, **Saint John, bishop**, who during times of doctrinal controversy greatly labored for the Catholic faith and the peace of the Church.

5. At Die in the region of Vienne in France, **Saint Petronius, bishop**, who had previously lived a monastic life on the island of Lérins.

6. At Constantinople, **Saint Marcian, priest**, noted for his diligent care in adorning churches and aiding the needy.

7. At Limoges in Aquitaine, **Saint Valerius**, who chose a solitary life.

8. At Melitene in Armenia, **Saint Domitian, bishop**, who labored greatly for the conversion of the Persians.

9. At Rome, near Saint Peter's, the burial of **Saint Agatho**, Pope, who preserved the faith intact against the errors of the Monothelites and promoted the unity of the Church through synods.

10. In the region of Vivarais, by the Rhône River in France, **Saint Arcontius, bishop**.

11. In the monastery of Cuxa in the Pyrenees, **Saint Peter Urseolus**, who, having been Doge of Venice, became a monk, lived with notable piety and austerity, and chose to live in solitude near the monastery.

12. In the monastery of Cava in Campania, **blessed Benincasa**, abbot, who sent one hundred monks to Sicily to populate the newly built monastery of Montreale.

13. At Bourges in Aquitaine, **Saint William, bishop**, who, inflamed with a desire for solitude and contemplation, became a Cistercian monk at Pontigny, later abbot of Chaalis, and finally bishop of Bourges. He never relaxed the austerity of monastic life and shone with love for the clergy, captives, and the afflicted.

14. At Amarante in Portugal, **blessed Gundisalvus (Gonzalo), priest** of the Archdiocese of Braga, who, after a long pilgrimage to the Holy Land, entered the Order of Preachers (Dominicans), then withdrew into solitude, helped rebuild a bridge, and guided locals through prayer and preaching.

15. At Arezzo in Etruria, the death of **blessed Pope Gregory X**, who, having been elected from being archdeacon of Liège, strongly fostered communion with the Greeks and summoned the Second Ecumenical Council of Lyon to reconcile Christian divisions and recover the Holy Land.

16. At Laurenzana in Lucania, **blessed Giles (Bernardine) Di Bello**, a religious of the Order of Friars Minor, who lived reclusively in a cave.

17. At Arequipa in Peru, **blessed Anna of the Angels Monteagudo, virgin** of the Order of Preachers (Dominicans), who offered herself with wisdom and prophetic insight for the good of the whole city.

18. At Perugia in Italy, **Saint Francis de Sales (Léonie) Aviat**, virgin, who dedicated herself with motherly love and industry to helping young women, and founded the *Oblates of Saint Francis de Sales*.

19. At Madrid in Spain, **blessed María de los Dolores Rodríguez Sopena, virgin**, who gave outstanding witness to Christian charity by drawing near to the most marginalized of her time, especially in the suburbs of large cities, and founded the *Institute of the Ladies Catechists* and the *Work of Doctrines* to evangelize and uplift the poor and working class.

January 11th

1. At Rome, **Saint Hyginus, Pope**, who was the eighth to occupy the chair of Blessed Peter.

2. In Africa, **Saint Salvius, martyr**, on whose feast day Saint Augustine delivered a sermon to the people of Carthage.

3. At Tigava in Mauretania, **Saint Typasius, a veteran and martyr**, who, being recalled to military service and refusing to sacrifice to the gods, was beheaded.

4. At Caesarea in Palestine, **Saint Peter, surnamed Apselamus or Balsamus, a martyr**, who, under the emperor Maximinus, although often urged by the governor and all those present to have mercy on his youth, disregarded their exhortations and with courageous spirit bore witness to his faith in Christ by fire, like the purest gold.

5. At Brindisi in Apulia, of **Saint Leucius**, who is venerated as the first **bishop** of that city.

6. At Pavia in Liguria, the translation of **Saint Honorata, a virgin** consecrated to God and sister of Saint Epiphanius, bishop.

7. In the desert of Judea, of **Saint Theodosius**, the cenobiarch, who, a friend of Saint Sabas, after a long solitary life, gathered many disciples as companions and established communal life in the monasteries he had built. Having suffered much for the Catholic faith, he finally rested in the peace of Christ at the age of one hundred.

8. At Cividale del Friuli in Venetia, of **Saint Paulinus, bishop** of Aquileia, who tried to convert the Avars and Slovenes to the faith, and presented to King Charlemagne a remarkable poem on the rule of faith.

9. At Catania in Sicily, **blessed Bernard Scammacca, priest** of the Order of Preachers, who shone especially in mercy toward the poor and the sick.

10. At London in England, of **blessed William Carter, martyr, a married man**, who under Queen Elizabeth I, for having printed a tract on schism, was hanged at Tyburn and brutally dismembered.

11. In the town of Bellegra in Latium, Italy, **Saint Thomas of Cori (Francis Anthony Placidi)**, priest of the Order of Friars Minor, notable for the austerity of his life and his preaching, and a distinguished founder of retreats.

12. Near Gdańsk in Poland, **blessed Francis Rogaczewski**, priest and martyr, who, during the occupation of Poland under a regime hostile to God, was shot to death because of his faith.

January 12th

This Day, the Twelfth Day of January

1. In Mauretania, **Saint Arcadius**, martyr, who, hiding during the time of persecution, when a relative of his was arrested in his place, voluntarily surrendered himself to the judge and refused to sacrifice to the gods. Therefore, after suffering the most bitter tortures, he completed his martyrdom.

2. At Constantinople, **the holy martyrs Tigrius, a priest, and Eutropius, a lector**, who, in the time of Emperor Arcadius, were falsely accused of having incited the fire by which the principal church and the Senate house were burned, supposedly in revenge for the exile of Saint John Chrysostom. Under the prefect Optatus, who was immersed in the superstition of vain gods and an enemy of the Christian religion, they suffered martyrdom.

3. At Arles in the province of France, **Saint Caesaria**, abbess, the sister of Saint Caesarius the bishop, who wrote a Rule for her and her sisters, the virgins consecrated to God.

4. At Grenoble in Burgundy, **Saint Ferreolus, bishop and martyr**, who, while preaching to the people, was murdered by wicked assassins.

5. At Wearmouth in Northumbria, **Saint Benedict Biscop, abbot**, who journeyed to Rome five times, and brought back with him many teachers and books, so that within the walls of the monastery, monks gathered under the Rule of Saint Benedict might gain, through their advancement in knowledge, the true love of Christ for the Church.

6. In the monastery of Rievaulx also in Northumbria, **Saint Aelred, abbot**, who, raised in the court of the king of Scotland, entered the Cistercian Order and, as an outstanding teacher of monastic life, zealously and gently promoted spiritual life and Christian friendship through his works and writings.

7. At León in Spain, **Saint Martin of the Holy Cross, priest** and regular canon, a man truly learned in Sacred Scripture.

8. At Palermo in Sicily, Saint Bernard of Corleone, of the Order of Friars Minor Capuchin, distinguished for his admirable charity and penance.

9. At Marianopolis in the province of Quebec, Canada, **Saint Marguerite Bourgeoys, virgin**, who brought great comfort to settlers and soldiers in every way, and dedicated great care to the Christian education of girls; she therefore founded the *Congregation of the Sisters of Notre-Dame*.

10. At Avrillé near Angers in France, **blessed Anthony Fournier, martyr**, a craftsman, who, during the French turmoil, was killed by being shot to death for his fidelity to the Church.

11. At Caen in France, **blessed Peter Francis Jamet, priest**, who, in assisting the religious Daughters of the Good Savior, devoted himself with all diligence both during the time of great upheaval and after the peace of the Church was restored.

12. At Viareggio in Italy, **Saint Anthony Mary Pucci, priest** of the Order of the Servants of Mary, who, as pastor for nearly fifty years, labored especially for the care of children afflicted by poverty or disease.

13. In the village of Tomhom near Bangkok in Thailand, **blessed Nicholas Bunkerd Kitbamrung, priest and martyr**, an outstanding preacher of the Gospel, who, during a persecution against the Church, was imprisoned and, while helping fellow prisoners, died gloriously, afflicted with tuberculosis.

January 13th

This Day, the Thirteenth Day of January

Saint Hilary, bishop and doctor of the Church, who, having been raised to the See of Poitiers in Aquitaine, under the Emperor Constantius who was devoted to the Arian heresy, vigorously defended by his writings the Nicene faith concerning the Trinity and the divinity of Christ; wherefore he was exiled for four years to Phrygia. He also composed very famous commentaries on the Psalms and on the Gospel of Matthew.

2. At Singidunum in Moesia, of **the holy martyrs Hermylus and Stratonice**, who, after cruel tortures under the Emperor Licinius, were drowned in the river Istrus (the lower Danube).
3. At Trier in Belgic France, of **Saint Agricius, bishop**, who converted the palace given as a gift by Saint Helena into a church.
4. Likewise at Reims in Belgica, the burial of **Saint Remigius, bishop**, who, after having initiated King Clovis to the sacred font of baptism and to the sacraments of the faith, converted the people of the Franks to Christ; and, having passed more than sixty years in the episcopate, died, distinguished for his holiness.
5. At Glasgow in Scotland, **Saint Kentigern, bishop and abbot**, who established his seat there and is said to have founded a great community of monks according to the pattern of the early Church.
6. At Capitolias in Batanea, of **Saint Peter, priest and martyr**, who, having been accused before Walid, prince of the Saracens, because he publicly taught the faith of Christ along the roads, had his tongue, hands, and feet cut off and was affixed to a cross, thus he fulfilled the martyrdom which he had ardently desired.
7. At Córdoba in the region of Andalusia in Spain, of **the holy martyrs Gumesindus, priest, and Servideus, monk**, who, having professed themselves Christians before the Moorish rulers and judges, died for the faith of Christ.
8. In the monastery of Ilbenstadt in Germany, of **Saint Godfrey**, who, being count of Cappenberg, willed that his castle be transformed into a monastery against the will of his relatives; and, having taken up the canonical habit, devoted strenuous work to the poor and the sick.

9. Near Huy in the region of Liège, of **Saint Lutgardis**, who, a **widow**, dedicated herself to the care of lepers and, having finally enclosed herself near them, chose that way of life.

10. At Milan in Lombardy, **blessed Veronica of Binasco Negroni, virgin**, who, having entered the monastery of Saint Martha under the Rule of Saint Augustine, ascended to the highest contemplation.

11. In the city of Nam Dinh in Tonkin, of **the holy martyrs Dominic Phạm Trọng (An) Kham, Luke (Cai) Thin, his son, and Joseph Phạm Trọng (Cai) Ta**, who, under the emperor Tự Đức, preferred to undergo tortures and death rather than to trample upon the cross.

12. In the detention camp of Dachau near Munich in Bavaria, Germany, **blessed Emil Szramek, priest and martyr**, who, a Pole by nation, during the storm of war was inhumanely deported to this camp for having defended the faith of Christ before his persecutors, and, tortured, died.

January 14th

This Day, the Fourteenth Day of January

1. Commemoration of **Saint Potitus, martyr**, who, having suffered many things at Sardica in Dacia, is said finally to have attained martyrdom by the sword.

2. At Antioch in Syria, **Saint Glycerius, deacon and martyr**.

3. At Nola in Campania, **Saint Felix, priest**, who, as Saint Paulinus recounts, during furious persecutions, was thrown into prison, endured the most bitter tortures, and, peace having at last been restored, returned to his people, withdrawing into poverty until old age, an invincible confessor of the faith.

4. Commemoration of **the holy monks**, who **at Raithu** and on Mount Sinai were slain for the faith of ChriSaint

5. At Iberia beyond the Black Sea, **Saint Nino**, who, though captured as a Christian, by the holiness of her life gained such reverence and admiration from all that she drew the queen—whose son she had healed through her prayers—the king, and the entire nation to the faith of ChriSaint

6. At Gabala in France, **Saint Firminus, bishop**.

7. At Clermont in Aquitaine, **Saint Euphrasius, bishop**, whose hospitality is praised by Saint Gregory of Tours.

8. At Milan in Liguria, the death (or burial) of **Saint Datius, bishop**, who, in the controversy over the Three Chapters, defended the position of Pope Vigilius, whom he accompanied to Constantinople, where he died.

9. At Astigi in B etica, **Saint Fulgentius, bishop**, brother of Saints Leander, Isidore, and Florentina, to whom Isidore dedicated the treatise “On the Ecclesiastical Offices.”

10. At Tagliacozzo in Abruzzo, **blessed Odo** of Novara, **priest** of the Carthusian Order.

11. At Udine in Venetia, **blessed Odoric** of Portu Naónis Mattiuzzi, **priest** of the Order of Friars Minor, who journeyed through the regions of the Tartars, Indians, and Chinese as far as the imperial city of the Chinese, Khanbaliq, widely proclaiming the Gospel and bringing many to the faith of Christ

12. At Batavia in Suriname **blessed Peter Donders**, **priest** of the Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer (Redemptorists), who with tireless charity cared for lepers, both in body and soul.

January 15th

This Day, the Fifteenth Day of January

1. At Anagni in Latium, **Saint Secundina**, **virgin and martyr**.

2. At Constantinople, **Saint John Calybites**, who, it is said, lived for some time hidden in a part of his father's house and later in a "kalyba," wholly devoted to contemplation and hidden even from the sight of his own parents, who recognized him only after his death by the golden codex of the Gospels which they had given to their son.

3. At the monastery of Cluain Credal in Ireland, **Saint Ita**, **virgin**, foundress of the same monastery.

4. At Rieti in the Sabine region, commemoration of **Saint Probus, bishop**, of whom Saint Gregory the Great composed a eulogy.
5. At Glanfeuil on the Loire in the territory of Anjou in France, **Saint Maurus, abbot**.
6. In the region of Rouergue, also in France, **Saint Tarsicia, virgin and martyr**.
7. At Ham in Brabant, **Saint Ablebert**, also called **Emebert, bishop** of Cambrai.
8. At Chartres in Neustria, **Saint Malard, bishop**.
9. In the valley of Anaunia in the territory of Trent, **Saint Romedius, hermit**, who, having given his goods to the Church, led a life of penance in the wilderness which is still called by his name.
10. At Lyon in France, the passing of **Saint Bonitus, bishop** of the Arverni (Clermont), who, having been prefect of Marseille, was elevated to the episcopate in place of his brother Saint Avitus. Ten years later, having resigned his office, he lived at the monastery of Manliole and, returning from a pilgrimage to Rome, died at Lyon.
11. At Armo near Reggio Calabria, **Saint Arsenius, hermit**, distinguished for prayer and austerity.
12. At the town of Saint-Gilles in Provence, **blessed Peter of Castelnaud, priest and martyr**, who, having entered the Cistercian monastery of Fontfroide, was appointed by Pope Innocent III to preach peace and instruct in the faith in Provence, but was pierced by a lance by heretics and died.

13. At Pievi in Umbria, **blessed James**, called “the Almsgiver,” who, being skilled in law, served as advocate for the poor and oppressed.

14. In the region of Gualdo, also in Umbria, **blessed Angelus, hermit.**

15. In the city of Fuan in the province of Fujian in China, **Saint Francis Fernandez de Capillas, priest** of the Order of Preachers **and martyr**, who, having brought the name of Christ to the Philippine Islands and to Fujian, was imprisoned during the Tartar persecution and finally beheaded.

16. In the village of Steyl in the Netherlands, **Saint Arnold Janssen, priest**, who founded *the Society of the Divine Word* for the propagation of the faith in missions.

16. At Berlin in Germany, **blessed Nikolaus Gross, father of a family and martyr**, who, deeply engaged in social concerns, resolutely opposed the godless regime hostile to human dignity and religion, so that he might not act against the commandments of God. For this he was imprisoned and, through the agony of hanging, became a partaker in the victory of Christ.

January 16th

This Day, the Sixteenth Day of January

1. At Rome, in the cemetery of Priscilla on the Via Salaria Nova, the burial of **Saint Marcellus I, Pope**, who, as Saint Damasus recounts, was a true shepherd, grievously harassed by the lapsed for refusing to relax the penance he had

imposed. Denounced to the tyrant by these same individuals, he was driven from his homeland and died in exile.

2. At Aulon in Illyricum, **Saint Danactes, martyr.**

3. At Rhinocorura in Egypt, **Saint Melas, bishop**, who, under the Arian emperor Valens, suffered exile for the orthodox faith and rested in peace.

4. At Arles in the Province of France, **Saint Honoratus, bishop**, who established the famous monastery on the island of Lérins and assumed the governance of the Church of Arles.

5. At Tarantaise in Viennese France, **Saint James, bishop**, disciple of Saint Honoratus of Lérins.

6. At Oderzo in Venetia, **Saint Titian, bishop.**

7. In the countryside of Tours, in Lyon France, the commemoration of **Saint Leobatus, abbot**, who, placed as superior by his master Saint Ursus in the recently founded monastery of Senapia, persevered in great holiness and old age.

8. In the region of Dombes in the territory of Lyon in France, **Saint Trivier, priest, monk**, and finally **hermit**.

9. At Mézeray on the River Authie in France, **Saint Fursey, abbot**, who first lived in Ireland, then in England, and finally in France, where he founded the monastery of Lagny.

10. At Bagno in Flaminia, **Saint Joanna, virgin**, who, having been received into the Order of Camaldolese, shone especially by her obedience and humility.

11. At the city of Marrakesh in Mauretania, the passion of **the holy martyrs Berard, Otto, Peter, priests**, and **Accursius and Adjutus, religious**, of the Order of Friars Minor, who were sent by Saint Francis to preach the Gospel of Christ to the Muslims. They were captured at Seville, taken to Marrakesh, and by order of the prince of the Moors, were slain by the sword.

12. At Kandy on the island of Sri Lanka in the Indian Ocean, **blessed Joseph Vaz, priest** of the Congregation of the Oratory, who, with admirable zeal, tirelessly confirmed Catholics scattered in the countryside in the faith and diligently preached the Gospel of salvation.

13. At Brescia in Italy, **blessed Joseph Anthony Tovini**, who, as a teacher, founded many Christian schools and promoted the restoration of public works, always offering in his endeavors examples of prayer and virtue.

14. At Valencia in Spain, **blessed Joanna Mary Condesa Lluch, virgin**, who, with prudent charity and the love of sacrifice, gave herself with humble labor to the aid of the poor, children, and working girls, and for their care and education founded the *Congregation of the Handmaids of the Immaculate Conception, Protectresses of Working Women*.

January 17th

This Day, the Seventeenth Day of January

Memorial of **Saint Anthony, abbot**, who, having been orphaned of his parents, received the evangelical precepts, distributed all his goods to the poor, and withdrew into the solitude of the Thebaid in Egypt, where he began to lead an ascetic life. He labored to strengthen the Church, supported the confessors of the faith during the persecution under the emperor Diocletian, and assisted Saint Athanasius against the Arians. So many disciples did he have that he was called the father of monks.

2. In Cappadocia, the holy martyrs Speusippus, Eleusippus, and Melasippus, brothers, and their grandmother Leonilla.

3. In Osrhoene, the commemoration of Saint Julian, ascetic, surnamed by the locals Sabas, that is, the old man, who, although he detested the noise of the city, left his beloved solitude for a time in order diligently to refute the followers of the Arian heresy at Antioch.

4. At Die in the region of the Vocontii in Lyon France, Saint Marcellus, bishop, who, as defender of his city and for preserving the Catholic faith, was driven into exile by the Arian king Euric.

5. At Bourges in Aquitaine, Saint Sulpicius, surnamed the Pious, **bishop**, who, having been promoted from the royal court to the episcopate, held nothing dearer than the care of the poor.

6. In Bavaria, **blessed Gamelbert, priest**, who gave his goods to Utho, whom he had received from the sacred font so that the monastery of Metten might be founded.

7. At Forcalquier in the Province of France, **Saint Roseline, prioress** of the Charterhouse of Celle-Robaud, who shone with self-denial, fasting from food and sleep, and great austerity.

8. In the city of Tocolatlán in Mexico, **Saint Januarius Sánchez Delgadillo, priest and martyr** in the Mexican persecution.

January 18th

This Day, the Eighteenth Day of January

1. At Carthage, **the holy martyrs Successus, Paul, and Lucius, bishops**, who took part in a council held in that city and suffered martyrdom under the emperor Decius.

2. At Nicaea in Bithynia, **the holy martyrs Cosconius, Zeno, and Melanippus**.

3. At Foix in Narbonese France, **the passing of Saint Volusian, bishop** of Tours, who, taken captive by the Goths, gave back his spirit to God in exile.

4. At Rome, the commemoration of **Saint Prisca**, in whose name a basilica was dedicated to God on the Aventine Hill.

5. In the monastery of Lure in Burgundy, **Saint Deicolus, abbot**, who, an Irishman by birth and disciple of Saint Columban, is said to have founded that monastery.

6. At Ferrara in Emilia, **blessed Beatrice of Este, nun**, who, after the death of her husband and renouncing the principality of the world, devoted herself to God in a monastery she had founded under the Rule of Saint Benedict.

7. At Buda in Hungary, **Saint Margaret, virgin**, daughter of King Béla IV, who, being vowed to God by her parents for the liberation of their homeland from the Tartars and entrusted as a child to the nuns of the Order of Preachers, made religious profession at the age of twelve and gave herself entirely to the Lord, striving diligently to become like Christ crucified.

8. At Cremona in Lombardy, **blessed Facius**, a goldsmith, who migrated there from his native Verona and was greatly devoted to penance, pilgrimages, and the consolation of the sick.

9. At Morbegno in the Alps, **blessed Andrew Grego** of Peschiera, **priest** of the Order of Preachers, who traveled on foot throughout the entire region, living simply among the poor and winning the hearts of all with brotherly charity.

10. At L'Aquila in the Abruzzo, **blessed Christina (Mattea) Ciccarelli, virgin** of the Order of Saint Augustine.

11. At Braunsberg in Prussia, **blessed Regina Protmann, virgin**, who, moved by love for the poor, devoted herself intensely to their service and founded the *Congregation of the Sisters of Saint Catherine*.

12. At Avrillé near Angers in France, the **blessed Martyrs Felicité Pricet, Monique Pichery, Charlotte Lucas, and Victoire Gusteau**, who, during the turmoil of the French Revolution, were shot out of hatred for the Christian religion.

13. At Cascia in Italy, **blessed Maria Teresa (Maria Giovanna) Fasce, abbess** of a monastery of the Order of Saint Augustine, who joined asceticism and contemplation with devoted care for pilgrims and the local poor.

January 19th

This Day, the Nineteenth Day of January

1. At Smyrna in Asia, the passion of **Saint Germanicus, martyr** of Philadelphia, who, in the time of the emperors Marcus Antoninus and Lucius Aurelius, was a disciple of Saint Polycarp, and preceded him in martyrdom. Although in the beauty of early youth, he was condemned by the judge, and by the power of God cast out fear of bodily weakness, and willingly provoked the beast prepared for him.

2. At Spoleto in Umbria, **Saint Pontian, martyr**, who, in the time of the emperor Antoninus, is said to have been severely scourged for Christ, and was finally pierced by the sword.

3. On the Via Cornelia, thirteen miles from the city of Rome, in the cemetery ad Nymphas, **the holy martyrs Marius, Martha, Audifax, and Abachum**.

4. Commemoration of **Saint Macarius the Great, priest and abbot** of the monastery of Scetis in Egypt, who, dead to the world and to himself, lived for God alone, which he also taught his disciples.

5. Commemoration of **Saint Macarius**, surnamed the Alexandrian, **priest and abbot** near Mount Scetis in Egypt.

6. At Laus Pompeia in Liguria, the commemoration of **Saint Bassian, bishop**, who, to defend his flock from the still-flourishing heresy of the Arians, strove vigorously together with Ambrose of Milan.

7. At Como in Lombardy, **SS. Liberata and Faustina, sisters, and virgins**, who founded the monastery of Margaret.

8. In the district of Dunois near Chartres in Neustria, **Saint Launomarus, abbot** of the monastery of Corbie, which he founded in the wilderness of Pertica.

9. At Ravenna in Flaminia, **Saint John, bishop**, who, while all Italy was shaken by the Lombard war, provided excellently for the needs of the Church, as attested by Pope Saint Gregory the Great, who sent him the Book of Pastoral Rule.

10. At Rouen in Neustria, **Saint Remigius, bishop**, brother of King Pepin, who with diligent care ensured that the singing of the Psalms would be modulated in the Roman manner.

11. At Corfu in Greece, **Saint Arsenius, bishop**, who was a vigilant shepherd of his flock and constant in prayer by night.

12. At Seville in Spain, **blessed Marcelo Spínola y Maestre, bishop**, who, to promote human society, founded workers' circles, defended truth and justice, and opened his home to the poor.

January 20th

This Day, the Twentieth Day of January

Saint **Fabian, pope and martyr**, who, though a layman, was divinely called to the pontificate, and, offering a glorious example of faith and virtue, suffered martyrdom in the persecution of the emperor Decius. Concerning his combat, Saint Cyprian rejoices, for he had borne unimpeachable and outstanding witness in governing the Church. His body was laid to rest at Rome on the Appian Way in the Cemetery of Callistus on this day.

Saint **Sebastian, martyr**, who, born at Milan, as Saint Ambrose recounts, went to Rome when the persecutions were raging fiercely, and there suffered martyrdom. Thus, in the city to which he had come as a guest, he obtained a home of everlasting immortality. His burial also took place at Rome, in the Catacombs, on this same day.

3. At Antinoë in the Thebaid, **Saint Ascla, martyr**, who did not fear the threats of the governor, since he had a greater fear of denying Christ. After enduring various tortures, he was cast into the river.

4. At Nicaea in Bithynia, **Saint Neophytus, martyr**.

5. In Palestine, **Saint Euthymius, abbot**, who, of Armenian birth and consecrated to God from infancy, went to Jerusalem and, after spending many years in solitude, died in humility and charity, outstanding in the observance of discipline, vigorous and joyful to the end of his life.

6. At Worcester in England, **Saint Wulfstan, bishop**, who, raised from the cloister to this episcopal see, united monastic customs with pastoral zeal, showing great care for visiting parishes, promoting the building of churches, encouraging learning, and denouncing abuses such as the slave trade.

7. At Coltevalenza in Etruria, **blessed Benedict Ricasoli, hermit** of the Congregation of Vallumbrosa.

8. In Finland, **Saint Henry, bishop and martyr**, who, born in England, took up the governance of the Church of Uppsala and diligently labored to evangelize the Finns; finally, he was cruelly murdered by a man whom he had attempted to correct according to ecclesiastical discipline.

9. At Messina in Sicily, **Saint Eustochia Calafato, virgin and abbess** of the Order of Saint Clare, who devoted herself zealously to restoring the original discipline of religious life and to fostering the following of Christ in the spirit of Saint Francis.

10. At Seoul in Korea, **Saint Stephen Min Kuk-ka, martyr, catechist**, who was beheaded in prison for the Christian faith.

11. At Cesaura near Naples in Campania, Italy, **blessed Mary Christina of the Immaculate Conception (Adelaide) Brando, virgin**, who devoted her life to the Christian education of children and founded the *Congregation of the Expiatory Victims of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament*, greatly promoting Eucharistic adoration.

12. In the monastery of Mount Saint Bernard near Leicester in England, **blessed Cyprian (Michael) Iwene Tansi, priest** of the Cistercian Order, who, born in the territory of Onitsha in Nigeria, embraced the Christian faith in his youth despite family opposition. Ordained a priest, he devoted himself zealously to pastoral care, and later, becoming a monk, he was deemed worthy to complete his holy life with a holy death.

January 21st

This Day, the Twenty-first Day of January

Memorial of **Saint Agnes, virgin and martyr**, who, still a young girl, bore the supreme testimony of faith in Rome and consecrated the title of virginity by martyrdom; for she overcame both age and tyrant, gained the greatest admiration among the nations, and acquired even greater glory before God. On this day, the burial of her body is celebrated.

2. Commemoration of **Saint Publius, bishop** of Athens, who bore witness to Christ through martyrdom.

3. At Tarragona in Hispania Citerior, the passion of **the holy martyrs Fructuosus, bishop, and Augurius and Eulogius, his deacons**, who, under the emperors Valerian and Gallienus, after confessing the faith before the procurator Aemilian, were brought into the amphitheater, where, after the bishop had offered a prayer in a clear voice for the peace of the Church in the presence of the faithful, they were thrown into the flames, and kneeling, completed their martyrdom in prayer.

4. At Troyes in Lyon France **Saint Patroclus, martyr**.

5. At Pavia in Liguria, **Saint Epiphanius, bishop**, who, during the time of barbarian invasions, labored intensely for the reconciliation of peoples, the redemption of captives, and the restoration of the city itself, which had been destroyed.

6. In the mountains around Lake Zurich in Switzerland, **Saint Meinrad, priest**, who, first living a cenobitic life and later as a hermit, was killed by robbers.

7. On Mount Mercury in Lucania, **Saint Zacharias**, called “the Angelic,” a master of cenobitic monastic life.

8. In London, England, **blessed Edward Stransham and Nicholas Wheeler, priests and martyrs**, who, under Queen Elizabeth I, were condemned to death for being priests and suffered martyrdom at Tyburn.

9. In London, England, **Saint Alban Roe**, of the Order of Saint Benedict, and **blessed Thomas Green, priests and martyrs**, who, under King Charles I, the one after seventeen years in prison, the other after fourteen, both worn out by old age, were hanged together at Tyburn for Christ

10. In the monastery of Benigánim in the region of Valencia, Spain, **blessed Josefa María of Saint Agnes, virgin**, of the Discalced Augustinian Order.

11. In Valle Guidonis in France, **blessed priests Jean-Baptiste Turpin du Cormier and thirteen companions,¹ martyrs**, who, for their steadfast loyalty to the Catholic Church during the French upheaval, were beheaded.

12. In the region of Daegu in Korea, **Saint John Yi Yun-il, martyr**, who, a **father of a family, farmer, and catechist**, remained steadfast in the Christian faith, enduring beatings and dislocations of his limbs, and attained martyrdom with a peaceful spirit by beheading. He was one of the last victims of the great persecution carried out in that nation.

January 22nd

This Day, the Twenty-second Day of January

Saint Vincent, deacon of Caesaraugusta and martyr, who, in the persecution of Emperor Diocletian, having endured prisons, hunger, the rack, and red-hot plates, flew unconquered to the reward of martyrdom in heaven at Valentia in Carthaginian Spain.

2. Likewise, the commemoration of **Saint Valerius, bishop** of Caesaraugusta in Tarraconensian Spain, who took part in the First Council of Elvira and, together with Saint Vincent, was brought to Valencia and sent into exile.

3. At Novara in Liguria, **Saint Gaudentius**, who is considered the first **bishop** of that see.

4. At Sergiopolis in Persia, the passion of **Saint Anastasius, monk and martyr**, who, after many torments which he suffered in Caesarea of Palestine, was afflicted with many punishments by Chosroes, king of the Persians, and, after seventy companions, was suffocated near a river and beheaded.

5. In the monastery of Romans along the Isère River in the Alps, the burial of **Saint Bernard, bishop** of Vienne, who, having left the army of Emperor Charlemagne for the army of Christ, gave to the poor the wealth received from his father and built two monasteries, Ambronay and Romans, where he spent the course of his life.

6. At Sora in Latium, **Saint Dominic, abbot**, who founded monasteries in various regions of Italy and brought others back to regular life through the spirit of his reform.

7. At Pisa in Etruria, **blessed Maria Mancini**, who, twice widowed and having lost all her children, at the encouragement of Saint Catherine of Siena, began a communal life in the monastery of Saint Dominic, over which she presided for ten years.

8. At Como in Lombardy, **blessed Anthony della Chiesa, priest** of the Order of Preachers, who restored regular life in several houses of the Order, treating human weakness with gentleness and correcting it with firmness.

9. At London in England, **blessed William Patenson, priest and martyr**, who, under Queen Elizabeth I, was condemned to death for the priesthood; even in prison, he reconciled six fellow inmates to the Church and at last completed his martyrdom, being cut in pieces at Tyburn.

10. In Tonkin, **SS Francis Gil de Federich and Matthew Alonso de Leziniana, priests** of the Order of Preachers and **martyrs**, who, under the rule of Trĩnh Doanh, after steadfast preaching of the Gospel even in chains, were struck with the sword and underwent a glorious death for Christ

11. At Rome, **Saint Vincent Pallotti, priest**, founder of the *Society of the Catholic Apostolate*, who, through his writings and works, encouraged all the baptized in Christ to diligently fulfill their vocation in service to the Church.

12. At Bordeaux in France, **blessed William Joseph Chaminade, priest**, who, exercising pastoral zeal boldly and in secret for a long time, worked to gather the faithful laity to promote devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary and foreign missions, for which he also founded the *Institute of the Daughters of Mary Immaculate* and the *Society of Mary*.

13. In the region of *Junín* in the Andes in Argentina, **blessed Laura Vicuña, virgin**, who, born in the city of Santiago in Chile and a student in the Institute of the Daughters of Mary Help of Christians, offered her life to God at the age of thirteen for the conversion of her mother.

14. At Castel Gardo in Italy, **blessed Joseph Nascimbeni, priest**, founder of the *Institute of the Little Sisters of the Holy Family*.

15. At Vienna in Austria, **blessed Ladislaus Batthyány-Strattmann**, who, as a father of a family, bore witness to the Gospel in both family and civil life by the holiness of his life and works, honored the name and dignity of physician in truly Christian manner, and served the sick with great charity, founding hospitals for them, where, having cast aside all vanity, he welcomed only the poor and needy.

January 23rd

This Day, the Twenty-third Day of January

1. At Caesarea in Mauretania, **the holy martyrs Severian and Aquila, husband and wife**, were burned with fire.

2. At Rome, on the Via Nomentana in the Major Cemetery, **Saint Emerentiana, martyr**.

3. At Ancyra in Galatia, **the holy martyrs Clement, bishop, and Agathangelus**.

4. At Teano in Campania, the commemoration of **Saint Amasius, bishop**.

5. At Toledo in Spain, **Saint Ildephonsus, bishop**, who, being a monk and head of a monastery, was elected bishop and wrote many books with brilliant eloquence,

composed notable liturgical prayers, and with wondrous zeal of devotion honored the Blessed Mary, Mother of God and ever Virgin.

6. At Dompierre in the region of Besançon in Burgundy, **Saint Maimbodus**, who, born in Ireland, became a pilgrim and **hermit**, and is said to have been killed by robbers.

7. At Seoul in Korea, **Saint Andrew Chong (Tyong) Hwa-gyong, catechist and martyr**, who, by helping Saint Bishop Lawrence Imbert, made his home a refuge for Christians; for this reason, he was severely beaten and finally strangled in prison.

January 24th

This Day, the Twenty-fourth Day of January

Memorial of **Saint Francis de Sales, Bishop of Geneva and Doctor of the Church**, a true shepherd of souls, who brought many of our separated brethren back into full communion with the Catholic Church. Through his inspired writings, he taught Christians the beauty of devotion and the love of God. Together with Saint Jane Frances de Chantal, he founded the Order of the Visitation. Living humbly in Lyon, he peacefully surrendered his soul to God on December 28th, and on this day was laid to rest in Annecy.

2. At Foligno in Umbria, the commemoration of **Saint Felician**, honored as the first **bishop** of that region, a faithful guardian of the flock entrusted to him.

3. In the countryside of Troyes in France, the memory of **Saint Sabinian, martyr**, who bore witness to Christ through the shedding of his blood.

4. At Antioch in Syria, the passion of **Saint Babylas, bishop**, who, during the persecution of Emperor Decius, after frequently glorifying God by his sufferings and torments, received a glorious end to his life while in iron chains, with which he ordered his body to be buried. Together with him are also said to have suffered three boys, Urban, Prilidian, and Epolonus, whom he had instructed in the faith of Christ.

5. At Cingoli in Picenum, Italy, **Saint Exuperantius, bishop**, who faithfully shepherded his people and is venerated for his holiness and pastoral zeal.

6. At Binago near Milan in Lombardy, **blessed Paula Gambarà Costa, widow**, a member of the Third Order of Saint Francis, who bore patiently the trials of a difficult marriage, led her husband to conversion, and shone with remarkable charity toward the poor.

7. In London, England, the blessed memory of **the martyrs William Ireland**, a Jesuit **priest**, and **John Grove**, his devoted servant, who, falsely accused of treason under King Charles II, gave their lives for Christ at Tyburn, steadfast in faith and courage.

8. In the village of Sainville, in the region of Chartres, France, **blessed Marie Poussepin, virgin**, who, desiring to assist pastors in their sacred ministry, to

educate young girls, and to care for the poor and the sick, founded *the Dominican Sisters of Charity of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary*.

9. In the village of Pratulin, in the Siedlce region of Poland, the blessed memory of **Vincent Lewoniuk and twelve companions,** ² **martyrs**, who, unmoved by threats or promises, refused to abandon the Catholic Church. When they would not hand over the keys to their parish, they were slain without arms or mortally wounded, offering their lives in fidelity to the faith.

10. At Rome, **blessed Timothy (Joseph) Giaccardo, priest**, who, as a member of the Society of Saint Paul, formed many disciples to proclaim the Gospel to the modern world, wisely using the means of social communication to bring Christ to all.

January 25th

This Day, the Twenty-fifth Day of January

Feast of the **Conversion of Saint Paul, Apostle**, who, while journeying to Damascus, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, was gloriously revealed to by Jesus Himself on the road. Christ chose him, filled him with the Holy Spirit, and sent him to proclaim the Gospel of salvation to the nations, suffering much for the name of Christ

2. Commemoration of **Saint Ananias**, who, as a disciple of the Lord in Damascus, baptized the newly converted Paul.

3. At Pozzuoli in Campania, **Saint Artemas, martyr**.

4. At Carthage, **Saint Agileus, martyr**, on whose heavenly birthday Saint Augustine preached a sermon in his basilica in honor of him.

5. At Nazianzus in Cappadocia, the heavenly birth of **Saint Gregory, bishop**, whose feast is observed on January 2nd.

6. Commemoration of **Saint Britannio, bishop** of Tomis in Scythia, who flourished in holiness and zeal for the Catholic faith, and stood firm against the Arian Emperor Valens.

7. At Tabennisi in the Thebaid of Egypt, **Saint Palaemon, hermit**, who, devoted to prayer and severe austerities, became the spiritual master of Saint Pachomius.

8. In the region of Auvergne in Aquitaine, **the holy martyrs Praejectus, bishop, and Amarinus**, man of God, who were both slain by powerful men of the same city.

9. At Marchiennes in Flanders, **Saint Poppo, abbot** of Stavelot and Malmedy, who spread Cluniac observance through many monasteries of Lotharingia.

10. At Ulm in Swabia, Germany, **blessed Henry Suso, priest** of the Order of Preachers, who patiently bore countless sufferings and illnesses, composed a treatise on Eternal Wisdom, and fervently preached the sweet name of Jesus.

11. At Amando in Piceno, Italy, **blessed Anthony Migliorati, priest** of the Order of Hermits of Saint Augustine.

12. At Mantua in Lombardy, **blessed Archangela (Eleanora) Giralani, virgin** of the Carmelite Order, prioress of the Parma convent and foundress of the Mantuan monastery.

13. At Tortosa in Spain, **blessed Emmanuel Domingo y Sol, priest**, who founded *the Society of Priestly Workers* to promote vocations to the priesthood.

14. At Alessandria in Italy, **blessed Mary Antonia (Teresa) Grillo, religious sister**, who, after being widowed, compassionately cared for the poor in their needs, sold everything she had, and founded *the Congregation of the Little Sisters of Divine Providence*.

15. In the Dachau concentration camp near Munich in Bavaria, Germany, **blessed Anthony Świadek, priest and martyr**, who, during wartime, bore steadfast witness to the faith and received the imperishable crown before those who denied every form of human and Christian dignity.

January 26th

This Day, the Twenty-sixth Day of January

Memorial of **Saints Timothy and Titus, bishops**, who were disciples and close collaborators of the Apostle Saint Paul in his apostolic labors. Timothy was entrusted with the Church of Ephesus, and Titus with the Church of Crete. To them are addressed epistles that offer wise admonitions for the instruction of both pastors and the faithful.

2. At Hippo Regius in Numidia, **Saint Theogenes, martyr**, about whom Saint Augustine preached a sermon.

3. Near Bethlehem in Judea, the passing of **Saint Paula, widow**, who, of the most noble senatorial lineage, renounced the world, distributed her wealth to the poor, and with her daughter, the blessed virgin Eustochium, withdrew to the cave of the Lord's Nativity.

4. In Jerusalem, **SS Xenophon and Mary, and their sons John and Arcadius**, who, having given up senatorial rank and great possessions, are said to have embraced monastic life in the Holy City with equal fervor of spirit.

5. At Cîteaux in Burgundy, **Saint Alberic, abbot**, who was among the first monks from Molesme to come to the New Monastery, and who, when elected abbot, governed it with great diligence and care, striving to uphold the monastic way of life as a true lover of the Rule and of his brethren.

6. At Nidaros in Norway, **Saint Augustine (Eystein) Erlandsson, bishop**, who zealously defended and greatly strengthened the Church entrusted to him, especially against the opposition of secular rulers.

7. At Angers in France, **blessed Mary de la Dive, martyr**, who, after being widowed, was beheaded during the upheaval of the French Revolution for her steadfast fidelity to the Church.

8. Near Munich in Bavaria, Germany, **blessed Michael Kozal, auxiliary bishop** of Włocławek and **martyr**, who, for defending the faith and the liberty of the Church, was imprisoned for three years with unwavering patience under the nefarious regime of the Nazis in the extermination camp at Dachau, where he ultimately consummated his martyrdom.

January 27th

This Day, the Twenty-seventh Day of January

Saint **Angela Merici, virgin**, who first took the habit of the Third Order of Saint Francis and gathered young girls whom she instructed in works of charity. Later, under the name of Saint Ursula, she founded a religious institute of women, entrusting to them the mission of cultivating a life of Christian perfection in the world and of guiding young girls in the ways of the Lord. At last, she gave her soul to God in Brescia, in Lombardy.

2. At Sora in Latium, the commemoration of **Saint Julian, martyr**, who is said to have suffered during the reign of Emperor Antoninus.
3. At Le Mans in France, **Saint Julian**, who is held to be the first **bishop** of that city.
4. At Mariana on the island of Corsica, the commemoration of **Saint Devota, virgin and martyr**.
5. In the monastery of Bodac in the region of Sisteron in France, **Saint Marius, abbot**.
6. At Rome, near Saint Peter's, the repose of **Saint Vitalian, pope**, who showed particular zeal for the salvation of the English people.
7. At Ternand in Burgundy, the passing of **Saint Theoderic, bishop** of Orléans, who died on pilgrimage to the tombs of the Apostles.
8. At Chartres in France, the passing of **Saint Gildwin, deacon** of Dol in Brittany, who, though elected bishop while still a youth, humbly refused so great an honor in the presence of Pope Saint Gregory VII as unworthy, and, returning from Rome, fell ill with fever in this region and completed his earthly pilgrimage.
9. At Thérrouanne in France, **blessed John, bishop**, a regular canon who took up the see of the Morini, where he opposed simoniacs for over thirty years and founded eight monasteries for both canons and monks.

10. At Riva San Vitale, near Como in Lombardy, **blessed Manfred Settala, priest and hermit.**

11. At Angers in France, **blessed Rosalie du Verdier de la Sorinière, virgin and martyr** of the Monastery of Calvary in that same city, who, during the turmoil of the French Revolution, was condemned to death out of hatred for the Christian religion.

12. Near Mengo in Uganda, **the passion of Saint John Mary**, called Muzei or “the Elder” because of his maturity of soul, a servant of the king who, having become Christian, refused to flee from persecution. Of his own accord he declared his faith in Christ before the chief minister of King Mwanga, and for that, was beheaded, becoming the final victim of that persecution.

13. In the town of Gilet, in the province of Valencia, Spain, **Saint Henry de Osso y Cervelló, priest**, who, to promote the education of girls, founded *the Society of Saint Teresa*. After being separated from the congregation, he spent the rest of his life in a Friars Minor convent.

14. At Kaunas in Lithuania, **blessed George Matulaitis, bishop** of Vilnius and later apostolic delegate to Lithuania, who founded *the Congregation of Marian Clerics* and the Congregation of the Poor Sisters of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

January 28th

This Day, the Twenty-eighth Day of January

Memorial of **Saint Thomas Aquinas, priest of the Order of Preachers and Doctor of the Church**, who, endowed with the highest gifts of intellect, imparted his extraordinary wisdom to others through prayer and writings. While on his way to the Second Ecumenical Council of Lyons, to which he had been summoned by blessed Pope Gregory X himself, he passed away on the 7th of March in the monastery of Fossanova in Latium, and many years later, on this very day, his body was transferred to Toulouse.

2. At the monastery of Réome near Langres in Neustria, **Saint John, priest** and man devoted to God, who gathered monks under the Rule of Saint Macarius.

3. Commemoration of **Saint James, hermit** in Palestine, who, in a spirit of penance, spent a long time hidden within a tomb.

4. At Cuenca in New Castile, Spain, **Saint Julian, bishop**, who, being the second bishop after the city was recovered from the Moors, greatly illumined the Church. He gave the Church's goods to the poor and sustained his daily needs by the work of his hands.

5. Near San Frediano close to Pisa in Etruria, **blessed Bartholomew Aiutamicro**, religious of the Camaldolese Order.

6. In the village of *Plévin*, in Brittany, France, **blessed Julian Maunoir, priest** of the Society of Jesus, who dedicated himself completely for forty-two years to missionary work both in countryside and cities throughout the province.

7. In the city of *Maokou*, in *Guizhou* Province, China, **SS Agatha Lin Zhao, virgin, Jerome Lu Tingmei, and Laurence Wang Bing, martyrs, catechists** who, having been denounced as Christians during the reign of Emperor Wenzongxian, were at last beheaded.

8. In the city of *Daijiazhuang*, in southern *Shandong* Province, China, **Saint Joseph Freinademetz, priest** of the Society of the Divine Word, who labored untiringly in the work of evangelization in that region.

9. In the city of *Picassent*, in the Valencia region of Spain, **blessed María Aloysia Montesinos Orduña, virgin and martyr**, who, during a time of fierce persecution against the faith, became a partaker in Christ's victory through martyrdom.

10. In the detention camp of *Kharsk*, near Tomsk in Siberia, Russia, **blessed Olympia (Olha) Bida, virgin** of the Congregation of the Sisters of Saint Joseph and martyr, who, under a regime of persecution against the faith, endured all adversities for the love of Christ

January 29th

This Day, the Twenty-ninth Day of January

1. At Edessa in Osroene, **the holy martyrs Sarbelus, a priest, and Bebaia, his sister**, who were brought to baptism by Saint Barsimeus, bishop, and are said to have suffered for Christ

2. At Rome, on the Nomentan Way, in the cemetery of Maius, **the holy martyrs Papias and Maurus, soldiers**.

3. At Perugia in Umbria, **Saint Constantius, bishop**.

4. At Antioch in Syria, **the holy martyrs Juventinus and Maximinus**, who were crowned with martyrdom under Julian the Apostate, emperor.

5. At Trier in Belgic France, **Saint Valerius, bishop**, who was the second to occupy that see.

6. Near Antioch in Syria, **Saint Aphraates, hermit**, who, born and educated among the Persians and following the path of the Magi, converted to the Lord at Bethlehem. Seeking Edessa, he withdrew to a small dwelling outside the walls, and finally at Antioch he defended the Catholic faith against the Arians through preaching and writings.

7. In Britain Minor, **Saint Gildas**, surnamed “the Wise”, **abbot**, who wrote about the downfall of Britain, mourning the calamities of his people and reproving the depravity of the rulers and clergy. He is said to have founded the monastery of Rhuy facing the sea and to have died on the island of Houat.

8. At Bourges in Aquitaine, **Saint Sulpicius Severus, bishop**, formerly a senator of France, whose wisdom, pastoral care, and zeal for restoring discipline Saint Gregory of Tours praised.

9. At Florence in Etruria, **blessed Villana de' Botti, a housewife**, who, renouncing worldly life, obtained the habit of the Sisters of the Penitents of Saint Dominic and stood out for her meditation on the crucified Christ and her austere way of life, even begging alms for the poor along the roads.

10. In the city of Białystok in Poland, **blessed Boleslawa Maria Lament, virgin**, who, amid political upheavals, founded *the Congregation of the Missionary Sisters of the Holy Family* to promote the unity of Christians, aid the abandoned, and provide Christian instruction to girls.

January 30th

This Day, the Thirtieth Day of January

1. At Jerusalem, **Saint Matthias, bishop**, who, after suffering much for Christ, finally rested in peace.

2. At Edessa in Osrhoene, **Saint Barsimeus, bishop**, who, for the faith of Christ, is said to have been scourged under Emperor Decius, but, after the persecution ended, was released from prison and devoted the remainder of his life with great diligence to governing the Church entrusted to him.

3. At Rome, the commemoration of **Saint Martina**, under whose name Pope Donus dedicated a basilica in the Roman Forum.

4. At Chelles on the Marne in the region of Paris in France, **Saint Bathildis, queen**, who founded monasteries following the Rule of Saint Benedict in the tradition of Luxeuil; after the death of her husband, Clovis II, she assumed the governance of the kingdom of the Franks, and during her son's reign, spent her last years in religious observance under a strict rule.

5. At Maubeuge in Neustria, **Saint Aldegundis, abbess**, during the time of King Dagobert.

6. At Pavia in Lombardy, **Saint Armentarius, bishop**, who solemnly placed the body of Saint Augustine, translated by King Liutprand, in the Basilica of Saint Peter in the Golden Heaven (*in Coelo Aureo*).

7. The **martyrdom of Saint Theophilus**, surnamed "the Youth", who was a commander of a Christian fleet. Captured by enemies in Cyprus and brought before Harun, the supreme prince of the Saracens, he could not be swayed to deny Christ either by gifts or threats, and was beheaded by the sword.

8. At Burgos in Old Castile, Spain, **Saint Adelelm, abbot**, who converted the chapel of Saint John together with a guesthouse into a monastery.

9. At Dublin in Ireland, the death of **blessed Francis Taylor, martyr, a family man**, who suffered seven years in prison for the Catholic faith, and, afflicted by tribulations and old age, completed his martyrdom under King James I.

10. At Viterbo in Tuscany, **Saint Hyacintha Mariscotti, virgin** of the Third Order Regular of Saint Francis, who, after fifteen years spent in vain pleasures, embraced a most austere conversion and inspired confraternities to console the elderly and to adore the Holy Eucharist

11. At Turin in Piedmont, **blessed Sebastian Valfrè, priest** of the Congregation of the Oratory, who dedicated himself entirely to helping the poor, the sick, and those imprisoned, and by his friendship and fervent charity brought many to Christ

12. At Seoul in Korea, **Saint Paul Ho Hyob, martyr, and soldier**, who was arrested for professing the faith and subjected to torture. Though he seemed to falter from weakness, he repented and immediately reaffirmed the faith of Christ before the judge. After a long imprisonment, beaten by blows, he died.

13. In Tonkin, **Saint Thomas Khuông, priest and martyr**, who, in the persecution under Emperor Tự Đức, bravely professed himself a Christian, was imprisoned, and, kneeling before the cross, was beheaded.

14. At Guadalajara in Mexico, **Saint David Galván, priest and martyr**, who, during the Mexican persecution, for defending the sanctity of marriage, was shot without trial by a soldier and thus obtained a glorious crown.

15. At Malonne in Belgium, **Saint Mucian Mary (Aloysius) Wiaux**, a Brother of the Christian Schools, who dedicated nearly his entire life with great constancy and tireless joy to the education of youth.

16. In the Abbey of Saint Benedict at Maredsous, also in Belgium, **blessed Columba (Joseph) Marmion**, who, born in Ireland, became a **priest and later abbot** in the Order of Saint Benedict, and shone as the spiritual father of the

monastery and guide of souls through the holiness of his life, spiritual teaching, and eloquence.

17. In the village of Torrent in Spain, **blessed Carmela García Moyón, martyr**, a fervent teacher of Christian doctrine, who, during the religious persecution, was burned alive for faith in Christ

18. In the city of Gdyszyn in Poland, **blessed Sigismund Pisarski, priest and martyr**, who, during the war, was shot and killed in his parish for not renouncing the faith in the face of his persecutors.

January 31st

This Day, the Thirty-first Day of January

Memorial of Saint John Bosco, priest, who endured a difficult childhood and, once ordained a priest, dedicated all his strength to the education of youth. He founded *the Salesian Society* and, with the help of Saint Maria Domenica Mazzarello, the *Institute of the Daughters of Mary Help of Christians*, to teach young people both useful skills and Christian living. At Turin in Italy, on this day, after accomplishing many works, he peacefully departed to the eternal banquet.

2. At Corinth in Achaia, **the holy martyrs Victorinus, Victor, Nicephorus, Claudius, Diodorus, Serapion, and Papias**, who are said to have completed their martyrdom under the emperor Decius, suffering various tortures.

3. Commemoration of **Saint Metranus, martyr** of Alexandria in Egypt, who, under Emperor Decius, when he refused, despite the command of pagans, to utter impious words, was savagely beaten by bystanders and killed outside the city, crushed with stones.

4. Also at Alexandria, **the holy martyrs Cyrus and John**, who, for confessing Christ, after many tortures, were beheaded.

5. At Modena in Emilia, **Saint Geminianus, bishop**, who led his church away from the error of the Arians to the orthodox faith.

6. In Persia, **the passion of Saint Abraham, bishop** of Arbela, who, under King Shapur of the Persians, was beheaded because he refused to worship the sun.

7. At Novara in Liguria, **Saint Julius, prieSaint**

8. At Rome, commemoration of **Saint Marcellina, widow**, who, as Saint Jerome records, by despising wealth and nobility, became more noble through poverty and humility.

9. At Ferns in Ireland, **Saint M'eadoc (or Aidan), bishop**, who founded monasteries there and was renowned for his great austerity.

10. In the region of Constance in Neustria, **Saint Waldus, bishop** of Évreux.

11. On Mount Saint Victor near Regensburg in southern Bavaria, **Saint Eusebius**, who was born in Ireland, journeyed for Christ, became a monk at the monastery of Saint Gall, and finally lived as a **hermit**.

12. At Rome, **blessed Ludovica Albertoni**, who, after devoutly raising her children in Christian morals and the death of her husband, joined the Third Order of Saint Francis and, from being wealthy, became exceedingly poor, assisting the poor.

13. At Naples in Campania, **Saint Francis Xavier Mary Bianchi**, priest of the Order of Clerics Regular of Saint Paul, endowed with mystical gifts, who led many to live under the grace of the Gospel.

14. In Korea, **the holy martyrs Augustine Pak Chong-won, catechist, and five companions**³, who, after enduring many sufferings, professed the Christian faith with fearless courage and glorified God by being beheaded.

1. Their names: blessed Jean-Baptiste Triquerie, of the Order of Friars Minor Conventual; Jean-Marie Gallot, Joseph Pelle, René-Louis Ambroise, Julien-François Morvin de la Gérardière, François Duchesne, Jacques André, André Duliou, Louis Gastineau, François Migoret Lambardière, Julien Moule, Augustin-Emmanuel Philippot, Pierre Thomas.

2. Their names: blessed Daniel Karmasz, Luke Bojko, Bartholomew Osypiuk, Onuphrius Wasiluk, Philip Kiryluk, Constantine Bojko, Michael Nicephorus Hryciuk, Ignatius Franczuk, John Andrzejuk, Constantine Lubaszuk, Maximus Hawryluk, Michael Wawrzyszuk.

3. Their names: Saints Peter Hong Pyong-ju, catechist; Mary Yi In-dog, virgin; Magdalene Son So-byog, Agatha Yi Kyong-i, Agatha Kwon Chin-i.

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Omnes sancti Mártyres, oráte pro nobis. (“All ye Holy Martyrs, pray for us,” from the *Litaniae Sanctorum*, the Litany of the Saints)

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“Scio opera tua ... quia modicum habes virtutem, et servasti verbum Meum, nec non negasti Nomen Meum”
(Apocalypse 3.8)

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Semen est sanguis Christianorum (The blood of Christians is the seed of the Church)

Tertullian, *Apologeticum*, 50

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February

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This Day, the First Day of February

1. In Phrygia, the commemoration of **Saint Tryphonius, martyr**.
2. In Ravenna, in the region of Flaminia, **Saint Severus, bishop**.
3. In the city of Tricastina in the region of France-Vienna, **Saint Paul, bishop**, from whom the city later took its name.
4. In Kildare, Ireland, **Saint Brigid, abbess**, who founded one of the first monasteries on this island and is said to have continued the work of evangelization initiated by Saint Patrick.
5. In the Alps of Greece, **Saint Ursus, priest**.
6. In Anicius, Aquitaine, **Saint Agrippanus, bishop and martyr**, who is said to have been killed by idolaters while returning to Rome from the borders of Velacum.

7. In Metz, in Austrasia, **Saint Sigisbert, King of the Franks**, who built the monasteries of Stabulense, Malmundariense, and many others, and generously distributed alms to the Church and the poor.

8. In the town of *Ciruelos* in the region of New Castile, Spain, **Saint Raymond, abbot** of Fitero, who was the founder of *the Order of Calatrava* and a distinguished defender of the Christian faith.

9. In the city of Saint Malo in Britain Minor, **Saint John, bishop**, who, a man of justice and mercy, transferred the episcopal see to Aleth, and was commended by Saint Bernard for being a poor bishop, a friend of the poor, and a lover of poverty.

10. In Paris, France, **blessed Reginald of Aurelian, priest**, who, passing through Rome, was captivated by the words of Saint Dominic and entered the Order of Preachers, where by his example and eloquence, he attracted many followers.

11. In Castle Florence in Etruria, **Saint Viridian, virgin**, who lived in seclusion from childhood to old age.

12. In Pilei, Latium, **blessed Andrew** of the Counts of Signore, **priest** of the Order of Friars Minor, who, having refused all higher dignities, preferred to serve Christ in humility and simplicity.

13. In Eblana, Ireland, **the blessed martyrs Conor O'Devany, bishop** of Dungannon and Connor, **and Patrick O'Lougham, priest**, both of the Order of Friars Minor, who, condemned by King James I for their Catholic faith, were hanged.

14. In London, England, **Saint Henry Morse, priest** of the Society of Jesus and martyr, who, after being captured many times and exiled twice, was finally imprisoned by King Charles I for being a priest and gave up his spirit at Tyburn after celebrating Mass.

15. In April, near Angers, France, **the passion of the blessed Mary Anne Vaillot and forty-six companions, martyrs**, who, during the turmoil of the French Revolution, gained the crown of martyrdom.

16. In Seul, Korea, **the holy martyrs Paul Hong Yong-ju, catechist, John Yi Mun-u**, who ministered to the poor and buried the bodies of martyrs, and **Barbara Ch'oe Yong-i**, who followed the example of her parents and husband, who were killed for the Christian faith, and was herself decapitated along with others.

17. In the city of Turin, Italy, **blessed Johanna Francesca Michelotti, virgin**, who founded *the Institute of the Sisters of the Sacred Heart*, to serve the sick and the poor freely in the Lord.

18. In the city of Cucuta, Colombia, **blessed Aloysius Variara, priest** of the Salesian Society, who devoted himself to serving lepers with all care, and *founded the Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and Mary*.

February 2nd

This Day, the Second Day of February

Feast of the Presentation of the Lord, called by the Greeks *Hypapante*, on which day, forty days after the Nativity of the Lord, Jesus was brought to the Temple by Mary and Joseph. He appeared to fulfill the Mosaic law, but in truth, He came to meet His believing and rejoicing people, a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and the glory of His people Israel.

1. Aurelianum, in Lyon France, the commemoration of **Saint Flosculus, bishop**.
2. Canterbury in England, the commemoration of **Saint Laurence, bishop**, who succeeded Saint Augustine in governing this Church and greatly increased it by converting King Eadbald to the faith.
3. Würzburg in Austrasia, the commemoration of **Saint Burchard, bishop**, who was of English origin and was ordained by Saint Boniface as the first bishop of that city.
5. Florence in Etruria, the commemoration of **blessed Simon Fidati of Cassia, priest** of the Order of Hermits of Saint Augustine, who by his words and writings led many to a better Christian life.
6. Susa in the Subalpine region, the commemoration of **blessed Peter Cambiani of Ruffia, priest** of the Order of Preachers and martyr, who was murdered in his monastery by dissenters out of hatred for the Church.
7. Prato in Etruria, the commemoration of **Saint Catherine de' Ricci, virgin** of the Third Order Regular of Saint Dominic, who dedicated herself to the work of religious reform and constantly sought to venerate and experience the mysteries of the Passion of Jesus Christ.

8. Bordeaux in France, the commemoration of **Saint Jeanne de Lestonnac**, who as a young girl resisted her mother's attempts to draw her away from the Catholic Church. After her husband's death, she wisely oversaw the education of her five children and later founded *the Society of the Daughters of Our Lady*, modeled on the Society of Jesus, to promote the Christian education of girls.
9. Rome, the commemoration of **blessed Nicholas Saggio** of the Lombards, a **religious** of the Order of Minims, who fulfilled the duty of doorkeeper humbly and devoutly.
10. Genazzano in Latium, the commemoration of **blessed Stephen Bellesini**, **priest** of the Order of Saint Augustine, who remained faithful to the Order during difficult times and devoted himself to the education of youth, preaching, and pastoral care.
11. Hanoi in Tonkin, the commemoration of **Saint Jean-Théophane Vénard**, **priest** of the Paris Foreign Missions Society and martyr, who after six years of clandestine ministry, endured many hardships and was imprisoned in a cage. With joyful spirit, he met martyrdom by beheading under Emperor Tự Đức.
12. Dernbach in the Rhineland of Germany, the commemoration of **blessed Maria Katharina Kasper**, **virgin**, who founded *the Institute of the Poor Handmaids of Jesus Christ*, to serve the Lord by serving the poor.
13. Milan in Italy, the commemoration of **blessed Andrea Carlo Ferrari**, **bishop**, who fostered the religious tradition of his people and opened new paths by which Christ and the charity of the Church might be known in the world.

14. Verona in Italy, the commemoration of **blessed Maria Domenica Mantovani, virgin**, who, as the first superior of *the Institute of the Little Sisters of the Holy Family*, which she founded with **blessed Joseph Nascimbeni, priest**, serving the poor, the orphans, and the sick in humility out of love for Christ.

February 3rd

This Day, the Second Day of February

Saint Blaise, bishop and martyr, who suffered for the name of Christ at Sebaste in Armenia under the emperor Licinius.

Saint Ansgar, bishop of Hamburg and later also of Bremen in Saxony, who, first a monk of Corbie, was appointed as legate by Pope Gregory IV to all the North. In Denmark and Sweden, he preached the Gospel to many peoples and established the Church of Christ, overcoming many difficulties with a strong spirit, until, worn out by his labors, he rested at Bremen.

3. Jerusalem, the commemoration of **Saints Simeon and Anna**: the one, an old man, just and God-fearing; the other, a widow and prophetess—who, when the infant Jesus was brought into the Temple to be presented according to the custom of the Law, were deemed worthy to recognize in Him the Messiah and Savior, the blessed hope and redemption of Israel.

4. Carthage, **Saint Celerinus, lector and martyr**, who in prison, by means of shackles, iron, and various torments, confessed Christ invincibly, following in the

footsteps of Celerina, his grandmother, already crowned with martyrdom, and of his uncles, Laurentius and Ignatius, who, once soldiers in the camps but later soldiers of the true God, obtained the palms and crowns of the Lord through His glorious Passion.

5. Poitiers in Aquitaine, **Saint Leonianus, priest**, who is said to have been a disciple of Saint Hilary.

6. Gap in the Province of France, **the Saints Teridius and Remedius, bishops**.

7. Lyon in France, **Saint Lupicinus, bishop**, during the time of the Vandal persecution.

8. In the monastery of Celle in Hainaut, **Saint Adelinus, priest and abbot**.

9. Chester in Mercia, England, **Saint Werburga, abbess** of Ely, who founded several monasteries.

10. Merbeek in Brabant, **Saint Berlinda, virgin**, who led a religious life of poverty and charity in this town.

11. In the Cistercian monastery of Froidmont in the district of Beauvais, France, the commemoration of **blessed Helinand, monk**, who was once a famous wandering harpist, but later chose a humble and hidden life in the cloister.

12. London in England, **blessed John Nelson, priest** of the Society of Jesus **and martyr**, who denied Queen Elizabeth I's supreme authority in spiritual matters and, for that reason, was condemned to death and hanged at Tyburn.

13. Lyon in France, **Saint Mary of Saint Ignatius (Claudine) Thévenet, virgin**, who, moved by charity and with a strong spirit, founded *the Congregation of the Sisters of Jesus and Mary* to educate young women, especially the poor, in Christian virtue.

14. Bourg-Saint-Andéol in the district of Vivarais, France, **blessed Mary Anne Rivier, virgin**, who, at the very time of the French upheaval when all religious Orders and Congregations were being suppressed, founded the Congregation of the Sisters of the Presentation of Mary to instruct the people of Christ in the faith.

15. In the village of Steyl in the Netherlands, **blessed Mary Helena Stollenwerk, virgin**, who assisted blessed Arnold Janssen in founding *the Congregation of the Missionary Servants of the Holy Spirit*, and who, after stepping down from the role of superior, dedicated herself wholly to perpetual adoration.

February 4th

This Day, the Fourth Day of February

1. Rome, the Catacombs on the Appian Way, **Saint Eutychii, martyr**, who, long tormented by insomnia and hunger, and finally thrown into a pit, overcame all the cruel commands of the tyrant for the faith of Christ.

2. In Pamphylia: **The holy martyrs Papirius, Diodorus, and Claudianus.**

3. Alexandria in Egypt, the passion of the holy martyrs **Philere, bishop, and Philoromus, tribune of the soldiers**, who, during the persecution of Emperor Diocletian, could not be moved by their relatives and friends to spare themselves. Both, having offered their necks, received the palms of martyrdom from the Lord.

4. Pelusium in Egypt: **Saint Isidore, priest**, who, renowned for his teaching, despising the world and riches, preferred to imitate the life of John the Baptist in the desert, having taken on the monastic habit.

5. Castellodunum near Chartres in France, the passing of **Saint Aventinus, bishop**, who previously held the seat of the bishopric of Chartres.

6. In Troyes in France, Lyon: **Saint Aventinus**, who is regarded as the servant of Saint Lupus, bishop.

7. Mainz in Franconia, Germany, **Saint Rabanus, surnamed Maurus, bishop**, who, elected from the monastery of Fulda to the See of Mainz, never failed to do whatever he could for the honor of God, a man truly learned, eloquent in speech, and a pontiff beloved by God.

8. Constantinople: **Saint Nicholas of Studion, monk**, who, often exiled for his defense of the veneration of holy images, was finally made **abbot** of the Monastery of Studion, where he peacefully rested.

9. Sempringham in England, **Saint Gilbert, priest**, who, with the confirmation of Pope Eugene III, founded the monastic Order, in which he imposed a dual discipline: the Rule of Saint Benedict for the nuns, and the Rule of Saint Augustine for the clergy.

10. Bourges in Aquitaine: **Saint Jeanne de Valois, queen** of France, who, finding no way to resolve her marriage bond with King Louis XII, fled to God, displayed singular piety, took up the Cross, and founded *the Order of the Annunciation of the blessed Virgin Mary*.

11. Durham in England: **blessed John Speed, martyr**, who, under Queen Elizabeth I, was condemned to death for assisting priests and was crowned with the martyr's crown.

12. Amatrice in Abruzzo: **Saint Joseph of Leonessa, priest** of the Order of Friars Minor Capuchins, who sustained Christian captives in Constantinople and, after enduring great hardships, preached the Gospel even in the Sultan's palace. Upon his return to his homeland, he became notable for his care for the poor.

13. Oriur in the Marava Kingdom in India: **Saint John de Brito, priest** of the Society of Jesus **and martyr**, who, living an ascetic life in those parts, converted many to the faith and was crowned with glorious martyrdom.

February 5th

This Day, the Fifth Day of February

Memory of Saint Agatha, virgin and martyr, who, in Catania, Sicily, while still a girl, during the persecution, preserved her undefiled body and undivided faith in her martyrdom, bearing witness for Christ the Lord.

2. In Pontus, **the commemoration of many holy martyrs** in the persecution of Emperor Maximian, who, some being drenched in molten lead, others tortured with sharp reeds in their nails, and many others who suffered repeated torments, merited from the Lord the palm and crown by their illustrious passion.

3. In Vienne, in France Lyon, **Saint Avitus, bishop**, whose faith and efforts, during the time of King Gundobad, defended France from the infestation of the Arian heresy.

4. In Sabina, in Rhetia, **Saint Ingenuinus**, the first **bishop** of this see.

5. In Lucania, **Saint Lucretius, abbot** under the rule of the holy Eastern fathers, who first led an active monastic life in Sicily, his homeland, and then, because of the invasions of the Saracens, led a wandering life in various places, finally dying in the monastery of Carbonensi of the Saints Elire and Anastasius near Armentum, which he himself founded.

6. In Rome, in the monastery of Saint Crescentius, **Saint Sabas the Younger, monk**, who, with his brother Saint Macarius, spread the monastic life tirelessly through Calabria and Lucania during the time of the Saracen devastations.

7. In Brixen, in the Trentino region, the commemoration of **Saint Albinus, bishop**, who transferred the episcopal see from Sabina to this city.

8. In Cologne, in Lorraine, **Saint Adelaide**, first **abbess** of the monastery of Vilicensis, where she introduced the Rule of Saint Benedict, and later of the monastery of Saint Mary of Cologne, where she died.

9. In Nagasaki, in Japan, **the passion of Saint Paul Miki and twenty-five companions, martyrs**, whose memory is celebrated today.

10. In the Valley of Guido, in France, the **blessed Francisca Meziere, virgin and martyr**, who devoted herself to the instruction of children and the care of the sick, and during the time of the French disturbances was killed out of hatred for the faith.

11. In Rome, the **blessed Elisabeth Canori Mora, a mother** of a family, who, having long endured the infidelity of her husband, economic hardships, and cruel troubles from her relatives, bore all these with invincible charity and patience, offering her life to the Lord for the conversion of sinners, peace, and holiness, and joining herself to the Third Order of the Most Holy Trinity.

12. In *Valtiervilla*, in Mexico, **Saint Jesus Mendez, priest and martyr**, who died for the kingdom of Christ in the Mexican persecution.

February 6th

This Day, the Sixth Day of February

Memory of Saints Paul Miki and companions, martyrs, at Nagasaki in Japan.

As the persecution of Christians intensified, twenty-six people—eight priests or religious (from the Society of Jesus or the Order of Friars Minor), whether sent from Europe or born in Japan, and eighteen laypeople—were arrested. After suffering cruel mockery and condemned to death, they were all, including children,

nailed to crosses together, rejoicing because it had been granted to them to die in the same manner as Christ.

2. Arvernia in Aquitaine, **Saint Antolian, martyr.**

3. Emesa in Syria, the commemoration of **Saint Silvanus, bishop**, who, after governing that Church for forty years, finally under the emperor Maximinus, was **thrown to wild beasts along with Luke, a deacon, and Mocius, a lector**, and received the palm of martyrdom.

4. Caesarea in Cappadocia, **Saints Dorothy, virgin, and Theophilus, a scholar, martyrs.**

5. Ardagh in Ireland, **Saint Mel, bishop.**

6. Arras in Belgian France, **Saint Vedast, bishop**, who, having been sent by Saint Remigius, bishop of Rheims, to a ruined city, catechized King Clovis, governed the restored Church for about forty years, and completed the work of evangelization among the still-pagan peoples of the region.

7. Elnon also in Belgian France, the deposition of **Saint Amandus, bishop** of Maastricht, who preached the Word of God in many provinces and among various peoples, even to the Slavs, and finally ended his earthly life in the monastery he had built.

8. In the district of Tongeren in Austrasian Brabant, **Saint Renule Reinildis, abbess** of the monastery of Eike.

9. Palestrina in Latium, **Saint Guarinus, bishop**, renowned for his austerity of life and love for the poor.

10. Skara in Sweden, **Saint Brynolf Algotsson, bishop**, notable for his zeal for the Church and for his learning.

11. Angri, near Salerno in Campania, Italy, **blessed Alphonsus Mary Fusco, priest**, who, devoted to ministering among farmers, always cared for the instruction of youth, especially the poor and orphans, and founded the Congregation of the Sisters of Saint John the Baptist.

12. Naples in Campania, **blessed Angelo of Furci, priest** of the Order of Saint Augustine, outstanding in zeal for the Kingdom of God.

13. Rivolta d'Adda in the district of Crema in Italy, **blessed Francis Spinelli, priest**, who, amid trials and long difficulties borne with patience, founded and directed *the Congregation of the Sisters Adorers of the blessed Sacrament*.

14. In the city of Durango in Mexico, **Saint Matthew Correa, priest and martyr**, who, during a persecution against the Church, was ordered to reveal what he had heard in confession but refused, for which he received the crown of martyrdom.

February 7th

This Day, the Seventh Day of February

1. Nola in Campania, **Saint Maximus, bishop**, who, during the time of persecution, governed the Church of this city and, having completed a long course, died in peace.

2. Lampsacus in the Hellespont, **Saint Parthenius, bishop**, who, in the time of Emperor Constantine, is said to have spread the faith by his preaching and example of life.

3. In the heights of Mount Sinai, **Saint Moses**, who first led a solitary life in the desert, then, at the request of Mauvia, queen of the Saracens, was ordained a bishop; he brought the fiercest tribes into peace and preserved the life of Christians unharmed.

4. Florence in Etruria, **Saint Juliana, widow**.

5. Siponto in Apulia, **Saint Lawrence, bishop**.

6. Lucca in Etruria, the burial of **Saint Richard**, father of Saints Willibald and Walburga, who, journeying from England to Rome with his children as a pilgrim, died on the way.

7. Soterium in Phocis, **Saint Lucerius the Younger, hermit**.

8. Muccia in Picenum of Italy, **blessed Riccerius**, who was among the earliest and dearest disciples of Saint Francis.

9. Assisi in Umbria, **blessed Anthony of Stroncone, religious** of the Order of Friars Minor.

10. London in England, **blessed Thomas Sherwood, martyr**, who, a draper by trade, had already set out for the priesthood at Douai. When he went to London to tend his sick and aged father, he was arrested while walking on the street and led to martyrdom under Queen Elizabeth I.

11. Aubenas in the province of Viviers in France, **the blessed martyrs James Sales, priest, and William Saultemouche, religious**, of the Society of Jesus, who, strengthening the people in the Catholic faith by their preaching, after the city had been captured by dissenters, were slain before the people on a Sunday for that same faith.

12. Naples in Campania, **Saint Giles Mary of Saint Joseph (Francis) Pontillo, religious** of the Order of Friars Minor, who each day humbly begged alms from the people in the streets of the city, returning in exchange words of consolation.

13. In the city of Changsha in the Hunan province of China, **Saint John of Triora (Francis Mary) Lantrua, priest** of the Order of Friars Minor and martyr, who, after enduring long and harsh torments in prison, was strangled by a noose.

14. Paris in France, **blessed Rosalie (Jeanne-Marie) Rendu, virgin** of the Daughters of Charity, who, in a house established in the poorest district of that city, which she made a refuge for the destitute, devoted all her effort to visiting the poor in their own dwellings, reconciling peace in times of civil war, and inspiring many, especially the young and wealthy, to the exercise of charity.

15. Likewise, there, **blessed Mary of Providence (Eugénie) Smet, virgin**, who founded *the Institute of the Sisters for the Assistance of Souls in Purgatory*.

16. Rome, **blessed Pope Pius IX**, who, fully proclaiming the truth of Christ to which he adhered from the depths of his heart, established many episcopal sees, promoted the devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary, and *convened the First Vatican Ecumenical Council*.

17. the place Pont de Molins near Gerona in Spain, **the blessed martyrs Anselm Polanco, bishop of Teruel, and Philip Ripoll, priest**, who, spurning both allurements and threats, never fell from their loyalty to the Church.

18. Near Krakow in Poland, **blessed Adalbert Nierychlewski, priest** of the Congregation of Saint Michael and **martyr**, who, after Poland was subjected to a military regime hostile to human dignity and religion, was deported for his faith in Christ to the death camp of Oswiecim, or Auschwitz, where he died, racked by torture.

19. In the detention camp of the town of Angarsk in the Siberian province of Russia, **blessed Peter Verhun, priest and martyr**, who, in a time of persecution against religion, achieved eternal life through a faithful death.

February 8th

This Day, the Eighth Day of February

Saint Jerome Emiliani, who, having spent his youth in anger and dissipation, was thrown into prison by enemies. There he turned to God; afterwards, he gave himself entirely—along with companions who gathered around him—to all those cast into misery, especially orphans and the sick. This was the beginning of *the Congregation of Clerics Regular* known as the Somaschans. Struck down by the plague while caring for the afflicted, he died at Somasca near Bergamo in Lombardy.

Saint Josephine Bakhita, virgin, who, born in the region of *Darfur* in Sudan, was abducted as a little girl and sold many times in African slave markets, suffering cruel slavery. last freed, she became a Christian in Venice and a religious among the Daughters of Charity, and spent the rest of her life in Christ, serving all in the town of Schio in the Vicenza region of Italy.

3. Alexandria in Egypt, the commemoration of **Saint Cointha, martyr**, whom pagans under the emperor Decius led to the idols, forcing her to worship. When she rejected this with horror, they tied ropes to her feet and dragged her bound through the streets of the city, tearing her apart in a terrible torture.

4. Pavia in Liguria, **Saint Juventius, bishop**, who labored vigorously for the Gospel.

5. The commemoration of **the holy martyr monks of the monastery of Dios at Constantinople**, who, for defending the Catholic faith, were cruelly slain after bringing the letters of Pope Saint Felix III against Acacius.

6. In Brittany, **Saint Jacut, abbot**, who is said to have been the brother of Saints Winwaloe and Guethnoc. He founded a monastery near the sea, later called by his name.

Milan in Lombardy, the burial of **Saint Honoratus, bishop**, who, when the threat of the Lombards was imminent, preserved a great part of the people by leading them to take refuge in Genoa.

8. Besançon in Burgundy, **Saint Nicetius, bishop**.

9. Verdun in France, **Saint Paul, bishop**, who, having become a monk, was later raised to the Church of Verdun. He promoted the dignity of divine worship and the regular life of the canons.

10. Albano in Latium, **blessed Peter, surnamed Igneus**, because he passed unharmed through fire; a monk of Vallombrosa and later bishop of Albano, who labored unceasingly to restore ecclesiastical discipline.

11. Muret in the territory of Limoges in Aquitaine, **Saint Stephen, abbot**, founder of *the Order of Grandmont*, who entrusted divine praise and contemplation to the clerics, and the care of temporal matters in charity to the lay brothers alone.

12. Savona in the Piedmont region of Italy, **blessed Josephine Gabriella Bonino, virgin**, who, under the inspiration of the Holy Family of Nazareth, founded a religious congregation for the education of orphans and the care of the poor sick.

February 9th

This Day, the Ninth Day of February

1. Alexandria in Egypt, the commemoration of **Saint Apollonia, virgin and martyr**, who, after many and cruel tortures from her persecutors, when she refused to utter impious words, preferred to be thrown into the flames rather than fall away from the faith.

2. Likewise at Alexandria, **the passion of many holy martyrs**, who, while they were celebrating the synaxis in church, were killed in various ways by the Arians.
3. Lemella in Africa, the commemoration of **Saints Primus and Donatus, deacons and martyrs**, who were also slain by heretics while defending the altar in the church.
4. On a mountain near Apamea in Syria, **Saint Maron, hermit**, greatly devoted to severe penance and to the interior life, at whose tomb a celebrated monastery was built, from which the nation later attributed to his name took its origin.
5. In the monastery of Llandaff in Wales, **Saint Teilo, bishop and abbot**, whose extraordinary labors are celebrated by many churches both in Wales and Cornwall as well as in Armorica.
6. Canosa in Apulia, **Saint Sabinus, bishop**, who was a friend of Saint Benedict and was sent as a legate of the Roman See to Constantinople, to defend the true faith against the Monophysite heresy.
7. Altomonte on the Sambre in Hainaut, the passing of **Saint Ansbert**, who was **abbot** of Fontenelle and later **bishop** of Rouen, exiled by Prince Pepin.
8. In Bavaria, the commemoration of **Saint Alto, abbot**, who, born in Ireland, built a monastery in the forest of that region, which was later called by his name.
9. Nocera in Umbria, **Saint Raynald, bishop**, formerly a monk of Camaldoli at Fonte Avellana, who, while exercising the episcopal office, steadfastly retained the habit of monastic life.

10. Premià de Mar near Barcelona in Spain, **Saint Michael (Francisco Luis) Febres Cordero, religious** of the Brothers of the Christian Schools, who promoted the study of letters for nearly forty years in the city of Cuenca in Ecuador, and then in Spain devoted himself with a simple spirit to the perfect observance of the rule.

February 10th

This Day, the Tenth Day of February

Commemoration of the passing of Saint Scholastica, virgin, who was the sister of Saint Benedict and, dedicated to God from childhood, shared one mind with her brother in God, so that once each year, at the monastery of Monte Cassino in Campania, they would spend the whole day in praises of God and sacred conversation.

2. Magnesia in the province of Asia, **the holy martyrs Charalampius, Porphyrius, Daucus, and three women, martyred** under the emperor Septimius Severus.

3. Rome, on the Labican Way, at the tenth milestone from the city, **the holy martyrs Zoticus and Amantius**.

4. Near Terracina in Campania, **Saint Silvanus, bishop**.

5. Saintes in Aquitaine, **Saint Trojanus, bishop**.

6. Besançon in Burgundy, **Saint Prothadius, bishop**.

7. In the region of Rouen in Neustria, **Saint Austreberta, virgin and abbess**, who devoutly governed the monastery of Pavilly, recently founded by Saint Audoin, bishop.

8. In the cave of Stabulum Rhodis near Roseto in Etruria, **Saint William, hermit** of Malavalle, from whose example many eremitical congregations took their origin.

9. In the Premonstratensian monastery of Fosses near Namur in Lotharingia, **blessed Hugh, abbot**, to whom Saint Norbert, having become bishop of Magdeburg, entrusted the establishment of the new Order, which he governed with great wisdom for thirty-five years.

10. Rimini in Flaminia, **blessed Clara, widow**, who, after having lived a sinful life, made atonement through penance, mortification of the flesh, and fasting, and gathering companions in a monastery, served the Lord in a spirit of humility.

11. Avrillé near Angers in France, **blessed Peter Fremond and five companions, virgins and martyrs** ³, who, during the French turmoil, were killed by bullets for remaining faithful to the Catholic Church.

12. In Valle Verde de Camino near Huelva in the Bætica region of Spain, **blessed Eusebia Palomino Yenes, virgin** of the Institute of the Daughters of Mary Help of Christians, who, offering an outstanding example of humility, without seeking any show of greatness, attained the heights of grace through her spirit of self-denial in her most humble tasks.

13. In the town of Krašić near Zagreb in Croatia, **blessed Aloysius Stepinac, bishop** of Zagreb, who bravely opposed doctrines that denied both faith and human

dignity, and because of his fidelity to the Church, was imprisoned for a long time, until struck by illness and worn out by deprivation, he brought to fulfillment an outstanding episcopate.

February 11th

This Day, the Eleventh Day of February

Blessed Virgin Mary of Lourdes, whom, in the fourth year after the proclamation of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin, the humble girl **Saint Mary Bernadette Soubirous** frequently saw in the hollow of the rock of Massabielle, in the Pyrenean mountains near the bank of the Gave de Pau, close to the town of Lourdes. For this reason, countless crowds of the faithful devoutly flock there.

2. Rome, on the Appian Way, in the cemetery named after her, **Saint Soteris, virgin and martyr**, who, as Saint Ambrose recounts, set aside the nobility of her family and the honors of faith, and when commanded to sacrifice, did not yield; she did not lower her gaze at frequent insults from slaves, nor did she shrink from death when condemned to the sword.

3. Commemoration of **many holy martyrs**, who were arrested in Numidia during the persecution under the emperor Diocletian, and who, refusing to hand over the Holy Scriptures contrary to the emperor's edict, were tortured with cruel torments and died.

4. Volturno in Campania, **Saint Castrensis, martyr**.

5. In Apulia, **Saint Secundinus, bishop**.

6. In Châteaulaudon in France, **Saint Severinus, abbot** of Agaunum.

7. Rome, near Saint Peter's, the burial of **Saint Gregory II, pope**, who, in the calamitous times of the emperor Leo the Isaurian, defended the Church and the veneration of sacred images, and sent Saint Boniface to preach the Gospel in Germany.

8. Likewise, there, the burial of **Saint Paschal I, pope**, who brought up many bodies of holy martyrs from the catacombs, desiring to transfer them out of devotion, and placed them with honor in various churches of the City.

9. In Burgundy, **Saint Ardanus, abbot** of Tournus.

10. In Chihuahua, Mexico, **Saint Peter Maldonado, priest and martyr**, who, during a raging persecution, faithfully upheld the mystery of the Eucharist to the end, and was struck on the head and thus merited to attain the triumph of martyrdom.

In loco Vinaroz in Castélla Hispániæ regiónis, beáti To Hire (Francísci) Borrás Romeu, religiósi ex Ordine Hospitalário Sancti Ioánnis a Deo et mártiris, qui persecutiónis témpore in ódium fidei gloriósum certámen consummávit.

11. Vinaroz in the Castile region of Spain, **blessed Brother Tobias (Francisco) Borrás Romeu, religious** of the Order of Saint John of God and martyr, who, in time of persecution, completed a glorious struggle against hatred for the faith.

February 12th

This Day, the Twelfth Day of February

1. Carthage, commemoration of **the holy martyrs from Abitina—forty-nine in number** ⁴—who, during the persecution of Emperor Diocletian, gathered to celebrate the Lord's Day in defiance of the imperial ban. They were arrested by local magistrates and a stationed soldier, brought to Carthage, and questioned by the proconsul Anulinus. Even under torture, all of them confessed to being Christians, declaring they could not stop offering the Lord's sacrifice. As a result, at various times and places, they shed their blessed blood.

2. Commemoration of **Saint Meletius, bishop** of Antioch, who, on account of his adherence to the Nicene faith, was often subjected to exile, and who soon, while presiding over the First Ecumenical Council of Constantinople, passed on to the Lord; his virtues were extolled with the highest praises by Saints Gregory of Nyssa and John Chrysostom.

3. In the Monastery of St. Cornelius in Inden Germany, the passing of **Saint Benedict, abbot** of Aniane. He promoted the Rule of Saint Benedict, propagated the Rule of Saint Benedict, handed down customs to be observed to the monks, and labored much in restoring the Roman liturgy.

4. Constantinople, **Saint Anthony, also called Caulphæ, bishop**, who under Emperor Leo III the Isaurian labored zealously to preserve peace and unity in the Church.

5. the abbey of Juliacum in the region of Gallia Trecensis, **blessed Humbeline, prior** of that same monastery. Having been called from worldly pleasures by *her brother, Saint Bernard of Clairvaux*, with the consent of her husband, she embraced the monastic life.
6. In the village of Norheim in Alsace, **Saint Lucian**, who, born in Scotland, on a pilgrimage to the tombs of the apostles, passed to the Lord.
7. In London, **the holy martyrs Thomas Hemerford, James Fenn, John Nutter, John Munden, and George Haydock, priests**, who, under Queen Elizabeth I, who asserted spiritual primacy, were condemned to death for fidelity to the Roman Church, and at Tyburn, even while still breathing, were eviscerated.
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February 13th

This Day, the Thirteenth Day of February

1. Athens in Greece, **Saint Martinian**, who had formerly led a hermit's life near Caesarea in Palestine.
2. Cardon on the Moselle, in the territory of Trier, **Saint Castor of Aquitaine, priest and hermit**.
3. Todi in Umbria, **Saint Benignus, priest and martyr**.
4. Lyon in France, **Saint Stephen, bishop**.

5. Rieti in the Sabine region, the commemoration of **Saint Stephen, abbot**, a man of remarkable patience [*“at whose death, as is related by the blessed Pope Gregory, the holy angels were present and visible to all.”* 1913 editio typica].
6. Osnabrück in Saxony, Germany, **Saint Gosbert, bishop** of the Suebi, who, driven from his see by a pagan persecution, took up the governance of the Church of Osnabrück.
7. Carcassonne in Narbonese France, **Saint Guimene, bishop**.
8. Likewise, at Luteva in Narbonese France, Saint Fulcranius, bishop, noted for his mercy toward the poor and his zeal for divine worship.
9. Meaux in the region of Brie in France, **Saint Gilbert, bishop**.
10. Near Ptolemais in Palestine, the passing of **blessed Jordan of Saxony, priest** of the Order of Preachers, who, successor and imitator of Saint Dominic, worked with great zeal to spread the Order and died in a shipwreck.
11. Spoleto in Umbria, **blessed Christina (Augusta) Camozzi**, who, after the death of her husband, once gave in to carnal desire, but soon embraced a life of penance in the Secular Order of Saint Augustine, devoting herself to prayer and the service of the sick and the poor.
12. Padua in Venetia, **blessed Eustochia (Lucretia) Bellini, virgin** of the Order of Saint Benedict.

In locō Dongjiaochang apud urbem Lezhi in prōvinciā Sichuan Sinarum, sanctī Paulī Liu Hanzuo, presbyteri et martyris, ob christiānum nōmen strangulātī.

13. *Dongjiaochang* near the city of Lezhi in the province of *Sichuan*, China, **Saint Paul Liu Hanzuo, priest and martyr**, strangled because of the name of Christ.

In civitatē *Thủ-Nghệ* in Cocīncīnā, sanctī Paulī Le-Van-Lộc, presbyteri et martyris, quī sub imperātōre Tự Đức ad portam civitātis pro Christō decollātus est.

14. In the city of *Thủ-Nghệ* in Cochinchina, **Saint Paul Lê-Văn-Lộc, priest and martyr**, who, under the emperor Tự Đức, was beheaded at the city gate for Christ.

February 14th

This Day, the Fourteenth Day of February

Memorial of Saints Cyril, monk, and Methodius, bishop. These **brothers** from Thessalonica, sent by Photius, bishop of Constantinople, preached the Christian faith in Moravia and devised their own characters of letters so that they might translate the sacred books from Greek into the Slavonic tongue. When they came to Rome, Cyril, who had previously been called Constantine, fell ill, became a monk, and on this day fell asleep in the Lord there.

Methodius, however, ordained bishop of Sirmium by Pope Adrian II, tirelessly evangelized Pannonia, endured many accusations brought against him, but was always assisted by the Roman Pontiffs; he received the reward of his labors at Velehrad in Moravia, on the sixth day of April.

2. Rome, on the Via Flaminia near the Milvian Bridge, **Saint Valentine, martyr.**
3. Spoleto in Umbria, **Saint Vitalis, martyr**, whom steadfast faith and the imitation of Christ made holy.
4. Rome, in the cemetery of Praetextatus on the Appian Way, **Saint Zeno, martyr.**
5. Alexandria in Egypt, the commemoration of **the holy martyrs Bassianus, Tonion, Pratus, and Lucius**, who were cast into the sea; **of the priest Cyrion, the exorcist Agathon, and Moses**, who were burned with fire; and **of Dionysius and Ammonius**, who were slain by the sword and entered into eternal glory.
6. Ravenna in Flaminia, **Saint Eleuchadius, bishop.**
7. On Mount Scopas in Bithynia, **Saint Auxentius, priest and archimandrite**, who, placed on a high place as if upon a throne, defended the faith of Chalcedon with the power of his voice.
8. Commemoration of **Saint Nostrianus, bishop** of Naples.
9. Sorrento in Campania, **Saint Antoninus, abbot**, who, after his monastery was devastated by the Lombards, withdrew into solitude.
10. Córdoba in Spain, **Saint John the Baptist of the Conception García, priest** of the Order of the Most Holy Trinity, who undertook the reform of the Order, which he carried out with great zeal amid severe labors and cruel adversities.

11. Valencia in Spain, **blessed Vincent Vilar David, martyr**, who, during a religious persecution, welcomed priests and religious into his home and chose to die rather than deny the faith.

February 15th

This Day, the Fifteenth Day of February

1. Commemoration of **blessed Onesimus**, whom Saint Paul the Apostle received as a fugitive slave and, while in chains, begot in the faith as a son in Christ, as he himself wrote to his master Philemon.

2. Brescia in Venetia, **the holy martyrs Faustinus and Jovita**, who, after many trials endured for the faith of Christ, received the victorious crown of martyrdom.

3. Antioch in Syria, **the holy martyrs Isicius, priest, Joseph the Roman deacon, Zosimus, Baralus, and Agape, virgin**.

4. Auvergne in Aquitaine, **Saint Georgia, virgin**.

5. Vaison in Lyon France, **Saint Quininus, bishop**.

6. In the valley of Interocrina in the province of Valeria in Italy, **Saint Severus, priest**, whose memory is preserved by Saint Gregory the Great, pope.

7. Capua in Campania, **Saint Decorosus, bishop.**

8. Palazzolo in Etruria, **Saint Walfrid, abbot**, who, having fathered five children, resolved with his wife to embrace the monastic life.

9. Växjö in Sweden, **Saint Sigfrid, bishop**, who, originally from England, evangelized the peoples of this region with great diligence and baptized King Olaf himself in Christ.

10. Borgo San Sepolcro in Umbria, **blessed Angelo Scarpetti, priest** of the Order of Hermits of Saint Augustine.

11. Paray-le-Monial in Burgundy, France, **Saint Claude La Colombière, priest** of the Society of Jesus, who, being a man greatly dedicated to prayer, led many to the love of God by his steadfast and upright counsel.

February 16th

This Day, the Sixteenth Day of February

1. In Campania, **Saint Juliana, virgin and martyr.**

2. Caesarea in Palestine, **the holy martyrs Elias, Jeremiah, Isaiah, Samuel, and Daniel**, who were Egyptian Christians. When they had voluntarily ministered to

confessors of the faith who were condemned to the mines in Cilicia, they were arrested and, under the governor Firmilian during the reign of the emperor Galerius Maximian, were most savagely tortured and finally struck down by the sword. After them, there **also received the crown of martyrdom: Pamphilus, priest; Valens, deacon of Jerusalem; and Paul**, originally from the city of Jamnia, who had spent two years in prison; **and also Porphyrius**, the servant of Pamphilus; **Seleucus**, a Cappadocian, promoted in military rank, **Theodulus, an old man** from the household of Governor Firmilian; **and finally Julian, a Cappadocian**, who, arriving at that very hour as a traveler, kissed the bodies of the martyrs and was reported as a Christian, and the governor ordered him to be burned with a slow fire.

3. In the Persian kingdom, **Saint Maruthas, bishop**, who, after peace was restored to the Church, presided over the Council of Seleucia, restored churches of God that had collapsed during the persecution under King Shapur, and placed the relics of Persian martyrs in his episcopal city, which was thereafter called Martyrópolis.

4. Borgo San Pietro in the Abruzzi, **blessed Philippa Mareri, virgin**, who, scorning riches and the pomp of the world, embraced in her native place the way of life recently begun by Saint Clare.

5. Perugia in Umbria, the commemoration of **blessed Nicholas Paglia, priest** of the Order of Preachers, who received the habit and mission of preaching from Saint Dominic himself.

6. Turin in Italy, **blessed Joseph Allamano, priest**, who, burning with tireless zeal, founded two *Missionary Congregations of the Consolata*, for both men and women, for the spreading of the faith.

February 17th

This Day, the Seventeenth Day of February

Seven Holy Founders of the Order of the Servants of Mary, namely Bonfilius, Bartholomew, John, Benedict, Gerardino, Ricovero, and Alexis, who, previously merchants in Florence, withdrew together by common decision to Mount Senario and devoted themselves to the Blessed Virgin Mary, founding an Order under the Rule of Saint Augustine. They are commemorated on the same day, on which the survivor among them, Alexis, is said to have died at the age of one hundred.

2. Amasea in the Hellespont, the passion of Saint Theodore Tiro, who, in the time of the Emperor Maximian, was bravely scourged for his confession of the Christian faith, then cast into prison, and finally handed over to be burned in the flames. Saint Gregory of Nyssa praised him with a remarkable encomium.

3. Trier in Belgic France, Saint Bonosus, bishop, who, together with Saint Hilary of Poitiers, labored with zeal and learning to preserve the integrity of the faith in the regions of France.

4. In Armenia, Saint Mesrop, doctor of the Armenians, who, a disciple of Saint Narses and a scribe in the royal palace, became a monk and created a written script so that the people might be instructed in the Holy Scriptures; he translated both Testaments and composed hymns and other songs in the Armenian language.

5. In the monastery called *Cluain Ednech* in Ireland, Saint Fintan, abbot, founder of that same monastery, renowned for his austerity.

6. Commemoration of **Saint Flavian, bishop** of Constantinople, who, after defending the Catholic faith at Ephesus, was struck with fists and kicks by the faction of the impious Dioscorus and, being condemned to exile, died shortly afterward from the violence of the assault.

7. Lindisfarne in Northumbria, **Saint Finan, bishop and abbot**, wonderfully endowed with teaching and zeal for evangelization.

8. Auchy-les-Moines, the burial of **Saint Silvinus, bishop**.

9. In the monastery of Cava in Campania, **Saint Constabilis, abbot**, who, because of his exceptional gentleness and charity toward all, was commonly called “the covering” of the brethren.

10. Ratzeburg in Holstein, Germany, **Saint Evermod, bishop**, who, a disciple of Saint Norbert in the Order of Premonstratensians, devoted himself to the conversion of the Wends.

11. Padua in the Veneto, **blessed Luke Belludi, priest** of the Order of Friars Minor, who was a disciple and companion of Saint Anthony.

12. Pyongyang in Korea, **Saint Peter Yu Chong-nyul, martyr**, who, a father of a family, was arrested while reading the Gospel by night to assembled faithful in the home of a catechist, and, having been scourged with rods unto death, died for Christ.

13. Rosica in Poland, **blessed Anthony Leszczewicz, priest** of the Congregation of Marian Clerics and martyr, who, during the military occupation of that land in

wartime, was burned alive by persecutors of the Church because of his faith in Christ.

February 18th

This Day, the Eighteenth Day of February

1. In the place Beth Lapat in the kingdom of the Persians, **the passion of the holy martyrs Sadoth, bishop of Seleucia in Persia, and one hundred twenty-eight companions**, who, being **priests, clerics, and consecrated virgins**, when they refused to worship the sun, were cast into chains and, after enduring horrible tortures for a very long time, were finally slain by sentence of the king.
2. Toledo in Spain, **Saint Helladius**, who, first a courtier of the king and administrator of public affairs, became **abbot** of Agali and was at last raised to the episcopate of Toledo, where he gave remarkable examples of his charity.
3. Constantinople, **Saint Tarasius, bishop**, distinguished for his learning and piety, *who opened the Second Council of Nicaea*, in which the Fathers defended the veneration of holy images.
4. In the monastery of Centula in the district of Amiens in France, **Saint Angilbert, abbot**, who, having left behind courtly and military offices, his wife Bertha consenting, who herself received the sacred veil, devoted himself to the monastic life and happily governed the monastery of Centula.

5. Coimbra in Portugal, **Saint Theotonius**, who made pilgrimage twice to Jerusalem and, having refused guardianship of the Holy Sepulchre, returned to his homeland and *founded the Congregation of Canons Regular of the Holy Cross*.

6. Rome, **blessed John of Fiesole, surnamed the Angelic [Fra Angelico], priest** of the Order of Preachers, who, always adhering to Christ, expressed in paintings what he contemplated inwardly, so as to lift men's minds to heavenly things.

7. London in England, **blessed William Harrington, priest and martyr**, who, born in the county of York, was condemned to death under Queen Elizabeth I for having received and exercised the priesthood in England, and obtained the crown of martyrdom at Tyburn.

8. Likewise, near London in England, **blessed John Pibush, priest and martyr**, who, having been imprisoned many times and for long periods, was eventually condemned to death under the same queen for being a priest; he was hanged at Southwark and disemboweled while yet alive.

9. In the city of Wuchang, in the province of Hubei in China, **Saint Francis Regis Clet, priest** of the Congregation of the Mission and martyr, who for thirty years preached the Gospel amid great hardships, and, after bitter captivity, deceived by an apostate, was strangled for the name of Christ.

10. In the city of Guizhou, likewise in China, **Saint John Peter Neel, priest** of the Paris Foreign Missions Society **and martyr**, who, being accused of preaching the faith, was tied to a horse's tail and dragged at full gallop, subjected to every kind of mockery and torment, and at last beheaded. With him, also suffering martyrdom: **Saints Martin Wu Xuesheng, catechist, John Zhang Tianshen, a neophyte, and John Chen Xianheng**.

11. Bergamo in Italy, **blessed Gertrude (Catherine) Comensoli, virgin**, who founded a religious Congregation for the adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament and for the instruction of youth.

12. Rosica in Poland, **blessed George Kaszyra, priest** of the Congregation of Marian Clerics and martyr, who, during a time of war, was put to death by fire by persecutors of the faith, and died for Christ the Lord.

February 19th

This Day, the Nineteenth Day of February

1. Naples in Campania, the **burial of Saint Quodvultdeus, bishop** of Carthage, who, together with his clergy, was cast into exile by the Arian king Genseric and placed on ruined ships without sails or oars. Beyond hope, he landed at Naples and there died as a confessor of the faith.

2. Commemoration of the holy monks and other martyrs, who in Palestine were most cruelly slaughtered by the Saracens under the leader Alamundarus, because of their faith in Christ.

3. Milan in Lombardy, **Saint Mansuetus, bishop**, who fought vigorously against the heresy of the Monothelites.

4. Near Benevento in Campania, **Saint Barbatus, bishop**, who is said to have converted the Lombards and their leader to Christ.

5. In the monastery of Vabres in the district of Rouergue in Aquitaine, **Saint George, monk**.
6. Bisignano near Cosenza in Calabria, **Saint Proclus, monk**, who, endowed with outstanding learning, was a herald of monastic life.
7. Cambron near Brussels in Brabant, the burial of **blessed Boniface, formerly bishop** of Lausanne, who lived an ascetic life among the Cistercian nuns of that place.
8. Noto in Sicily, **blessed Conrad of Piacenza Confalonieri, hermit** of the Third Order of Saint Francis, who, having cast off worldly amusements, pursued a most austere way of life for nearly forty years in constant prayer and penance.
9. Córdoba in the region of Andalusia in Spain, commemoration of **blessed Álvaro, priest** of the Order of Preachers, notable for his preaching and contemplation of the Lord's Passion.
10. Mantua in Lombardy, **blessed Elisabeth Picenardi**, virgin, who, under the habit of the Order of the Servants of Mary, led a life consecrated to God in her father's house, frequently receiving Holy Communion and diligently devoting herself to the Liturgy of the Hours and the meditation of Scripture, with deepest devotion to the Virgin Mary.
11. In the place Kaiyang near Mianyang in the Sichuan province of China, **Saint Lucia Yi Zhenmei, virgin and martyr**, who was condemned to beheading for her confession of the Catholic faith.

12. In the Dachau detention camp near Munich in Bavaria, Germany, **blessed Joseph Zaplata, religious** of the Congregation of the Sacred Heart of Jesus **and martyr**, who, forcibly taken from his native Poland and given over into cruel imprisonment for the sake of the faith, contracted illness and fulfilled his martyrdom.

February 20th

This Day, the Twentieth Day of February

1. Alexandria, the commemoration of **Saint Serapion, martyr**, who, under Emperor Decius, was subjected to such extremely cruel tortures that all the joints of his limbs were first broken, and then he himself was thrown down from the upper parts of his own house.

2. Commemoration of five blessed martyrs, who, under Emperor Diocletian, were killed at Tyre in Phoenicia. First, their whole bodies were torn by scourges; then they were stripped and placed in the arena and given over to various kinds of wild beasts. Yet they showed firm and unshaken constancy in their youthful bodies. One of them especially, not yet twenty years old, not bound by any chains, with his arms stretched out in the form of a cross, was offering prayers to God. All of them, preserved unharmed by the beasts that had been provoked beforehand, were at last killed by the sword.

3. Antioch in Syria, the commemoration of **Saint Tyrannion, bishop** of Tyre **and martyr**, who, having been instructed in the Christian faith from early youth, was torn with iron claws together with the presbyter Zenobius, and received the laurel [of victory and martyrdom].

4. Tournai in Belgic France, **Saint Eleutherius, bishop**.
 5. the monastery of Saint Trudo in Brabant of Austrasia, the passing of **Saint Eucherius, bishop** of Orléans, who, having been driven into exile by Duke Charles Martel due to the slanders of the envious, found pious refuge among monks.
 6. Catania in Sicily, **Saint Leo, bishop**, who took the greatest care for the poor.
 7. the place Aljustrel near Fatima in Portugal, **blessed Jacinta Marto**, who, although still a girl of tender age, patiently endured the ravages of the illness with which she was afflicted and bore devoted witness with all diligence to her love for the Blessed Virgin Mary.
 8. the place Stutthof near Gdańsk in Poland, **blessed Julia Rodzińska, virgin** of the Congregation of the Sisters of Saint Dominic **and martyr**, who, when her homeland was devastated by war, was cast into a detention camp, where, afflicted with a fatal disease, she came to heavenly glory.
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February 21st

This Day, the Twenty-first Day of February

Saint Peter Damian, Cardinal Bishop of Ostia and Doctor of the Church, who, having entered the hermitage of Fonte Avellana, vigorously promoted the religious

life, and in times difficult for the advancement of the reform of the Church, resolutely recalled monks to the holiness of contemplation, clerics to the integrity of life, and the people to communion with the Apostolic See. His passing occurred at Faenza in Flaminia on a holy day.

2. Commemoration of Saint Eustathius, Bishop of Antioch, who, renowned for his teaching, was driven into exile at Traianopolis in Thrace under the Arian emperor Constantius for his defense of the Catholic faith, and there he rested in the Lord.

3. In the monastery of Grandval in Switzerland, Saint Germanus, abbot, who, when he wished with peaceful words to defend the inhabitants of the monastery who had been attacked by a band of marauders, was stripped of his garments and run through with a spear, and fell together **with Saint Randoald, a monk**.

4. In London, England, blessed Thomas Pormort, priest and martyr, who, under Queen Elizabeth I, was cruelly tortured in prison because of his priesthood, and then at St. Paul's fulfilled his martyrdom by hanging.

5. Likewise, there, Saint Robert Southwell, priest of the Society of Jesus and **martyr**, who for many years carried out his ministry in this city and the surrounding region, and composed spiritual poetry, until at length, having been captured because of his priesthood, he was most cruelly tortured by order of the same queen, and completed his martyrdom by the noose at Tyburn.

6. Angers in France, blessed Noël Pinot, priest and martyr, who, a parish priest during the turmoil of the French Revolution, was arrested as he was preparing to celebrate Mass and, clothed in sacred vestments for mockery, was led to the scaffold as though to the Altar of Sacrifice.

7. Turin in the Subalpine region, **blessed Mary Henrietta (Anne Catherine) Dominici**, of the Sisters of St. Anne and of Providence, who wisely led and expanded the Institute for thirty years until her death.

February 22nd

This Day, the Twenty-second Day of February

Feast of the Chair of Saint Peter, Apostle, to whom the Lord said: *“Thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my Church.”* On the day when the Romans were accustomed to commemorate their deceased, the natal seat of that Apostle is celebrated, which glories in his tomb in the Vatican field and is called to preside over the whole fellowship of charity.

2. Hierapolis in Phrygia, **Saint Papias, bishop**, who, a hearer of John the Elder and companion of Polycarp, explained the words of the Lord.

3. Vienne in France of Lyon, **Saint Paschasius, bishop**, outstanding for his learning and the holiness of his life.

4. Ravenna in Flaminia, **Saint Maximian, bishop**, who faithfully fulfilled the pastoral office and defended the unity of the Church against heretics.

5. Faenza in Flaminia, the heavenly birthday of **Saint Peter Damian**, whose memorial is observed on the day before this.

6. Longchamp in the suburbs of Paris in France, **blessed Isabelle, virgin**, who, sister of Saint Louis IX, King of France, having spurned royal marriage and the delights of the world, founded a monastery of Poor Clare Sisters, with whom she served God in humility and poverty.
7. Cortona in Etruria, **Saint Margaret**, who, deeply shaken by the death of her lover, washed away the stains of her youthful years with saving penance and, having been received into the Third Order of Saint Francis, withdrew into wondrous contemplation of heavenly things, adorned by God with heavenly charisms.
8. In the city of Sendai in Japan, **blessed Diego Carvalho, priest** of the Society of Jesus and martyr, who, after injuries, imprisonments, and harsh journeys completed during winter, finally, in the torture of freezing water, confessed Christ with unwavering faith, together with many companions.
9. Florence in Etruria, **blessed Mary of Jesus (Émilie) d'Oultremont**, who, in Belgium, the mother of four children, having become a widow, by no means neglected her maternal duties, but gave herself to founding and governing the *Society of the Sisters of Mary Reparatrix*, and, trusting in divine aid, overcame not a few difficulties.
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February 23rd

This Day, the Twenty-third Day of February

Memorial of Saint Polycarp, bishop and martyr, who is honored as the disciple of blessed John and *the last witness of apostolic times*. Under the emperors Marcus Antoninus and Lucius Aurelius Commodus, in Smyrna of Asia, he was handed over to the fire in the amphitheater before the proconsul and all the people, being nearly ninety years of age, giving thanks to God the Father that He had deemed him worthy to be counted among the martyrs and to receive a share in the chalice of Christ.

2. Sirmium in Pannonia, Saint Sirenus, or Sinerus, martyr, who, a gardener, was denounced by a certain woman whom he had reproved for acting immodestly. Arrested by the judge, he confessed that he was a Christian and, since he refused to sacrifice to the gods, was beheaded.

3. Wenlock in England, Saint Milburga, virgin and abbess of the monastery at that place, of the royal line of the Mercians.

4. Mainz in Franconia, Germany, Saint Willigis, bishop, outstanding for his pastoral zeal.

5. Stilo in Calabria, Saint John, who, having become a **monk** under the discipline of the Eastern Fathers, merited to be called Theristes or the Reaper, because, moved by great charity toward the poor, he was accustomed to assist the reapers.

6. Flaviobriga in the Basque region of Spain, blessed Rafaela de Villalonga Ybarra, who, mother of seven children, with the consent of her husband, made religious vows and founded *the Institute of the Guardian Angel Sisters* to protect young girls and lead them in the way of the Lord's commandments.

7. Off the coast of Rochefort in France, on a prison ship, blessed Nicolas Tabouillot, priest and martyr, who, a parish priest, during the turmoil of the

French Revolution, was imprisoned for being a priest and eventually died from illness in the city infirmary.

8. Rome, blessed Josephine (Judith Adelaide) Vannini, virgin, who founded *the Congregation of the Daughters of Saint Camillus* to serve the sick.

9. Poznań in Poland, blessed Ludwik Mzyk, priest of the Society of the Divine Word **and martyr**, who, during his country's military occupation by followers of a wicked doctrine hostile to the faith, was slaughtered by the guards of the fortress, bearing witness to Christ even unto death.

10. In the detention camp of Dachau near Munich in Bavaria, Germany, blessed Vincent Frelichowski, priest, who, in that time of war, having been deported through various prisons, never turned aside from the faith or from his pastoral office, and, falling ill while attending the sick in the infirmary, after long sufferings reached the vision of eternal peace.

February 24th

This Day, the Twenty-fourth Day of February

1. Nicomedia in Bithynia, the passion of Saint Evetius, who, under the emperor Diocletian, as soon as he saw the edicts against the worshipers of God posted in the forum, kindled with the fire of faith, publicly tore up the impious edict in the sight of the people, for which he endured every kind of cruelty.

2. Trier in Belgic France, **Saint Modestus, bishop.**
3. Canterbury in England, **Saint Ethelbert, king** of Kent, whom Saint Augustine the bishop converted to the faith of Christ—the first among the rulers of the English people.
4. Ascoli in Piceno, Italy, **blessed Constantius Servoli of Fabriano, priest** of the Order of Preachers, was distinguished for the austerity of his life and his zeal for promoting peace.
5. Mantua in Lombardy, **blessed Mark of Marconi, religious** of the Order of Hermits of Saint Jerome.
6. In the city of Algemesí in the region of Valencia in Spain, **blessed Josefa Naval Girbés, virgin**, consecrated to God while living in the world, was devoted to the catechesis of children.
7. Nocera Inferiore in Campania, Italy, **blessed Tommaso Maria Fusco, priest**, who cared for the poor and sick with great love and founded *the Daughters of Charity of the Most Precious Blood*, whom he directed to undertake various works of social outreach, especially among the young and the ill.

February 25th

This Day, the Twenty-fifth Day of February

1. Perge in Pamphylia, **the passion of Saint Nestor, bishop** of Magydos **and martyr**, who, during the persecution under the emperor Decius, was arrested and condemned to the cross by the provincial governor, in order that he who confessed the Crucified might suffer the same punishment.
2. Nazianzus in Cappadocia, **Saint Caesarius, physician**, and *brother of Saint Gregory of Nazianzus*.
3. Maubeuge in Belgic France, **Saint Aldetrude, virgin and abbess**.
4. In the monastery of Heidenheim in Franconia, Germany, **Saint Walburga, abbess**, who, at the request of Saint Boniface and his holy brothers Willibald and Winebald, came from England to Germany, where she ably governed a double monastery of monks and nuns.
5. Agrigento in Sicily, **Saint Gerland, bishop**, who established order in his church after it was freed from Saracen rule.
6. the priory of Orsan in the region of Bourges, Aquitaine, the passing of **blessed Robert of Arbrissel, priest**, who, preaching conversion of life along the roads, gathered men and women into the double monastery of Fontevraud under the governance of an abbess.
7. Lucca in Etruria, **blessed Avertanus, pilgrim and religious** of the Order of Carmelites.
8. Puebla de los Ángeles in Mexico, **blessed Sebastian Aparicio**, who, a shepherd of sheep, emigrated from Spain to Mexico, where, having amassed great wealth

through his labor, he enriched the poor; later, having been widowed twice, he was received as **a brother** into the Order of Friars Minor and died nearly a centenarian.

9. Lauria in Lucania, **blessed Dominic Lentini, priest**, who exercised fruitful and manifold ministry in his native place until death, a ministry nourished by a life of humility, prayer, and penance.

10. the town of *Mdina* on the island of Malta, **blessed Maria Adeodata (Maria Teresa) Pisani, virgin** of the Order of Saint Benedict, who, **abbess** of the monastery of Saint Peter, wisely fulfilled her office, uniting past and present, and gave careful attention to caring for the poor and the forsaken, for the spiritual good of the community itself.

11. In the city of *Xilinxian* in *Guangxi* Province, China, **Saint Lawrence Bai Xiaoman, martyr**, who, a laborer and neophyte, chose to endure beatings and beheading rather than deny Christ.

12. *Tequila* in the territory of Guadalajara, Mexico, **Saint Toribio Romo, priest and martyr**, who, during a time of persecution, was slain out of hatred for the priesthood.

13. On the banks of the *Beijiang* River near the city of Shaoguan in the province of *Guangdong*, China, **the holy martyrs Aloysius Versiglia, bishop, and Callistus Caravario, priest**, of the Salesian Society, who suffered martyrdom for the Christian care they gave to the souls entrusted to them.

February 26th

This Day, the Twenty-sixth Day of February

1. Commemoration of Saint Alexander, bishop, who, a glorious old man and inflamed with zeal for the faith, after Saint Peter, was made head (bishop) of the Church of Alexandria. He expelled his priest *Arius*, corrupted by heretical impiety and weakened in divine truth, from the communion of the Church. Him he soon condemned in the First Council of Nicaea, where he was numbered among the 318 Fathers.

2. Bologna in Emilia, Saint Faustinian, bishop, who strengthened and increased the Church, troubled by persecution, through the word of preaching.

3. Gaza in Palestine, Saint Porphyry, bishop, who, born at Thessalonica, lived as a hermit for five years in Scetis and another five beyond the Jordan, noted for his kindness toward the poor; later ordained bishop of Gaza, he overthrew many temples of idols, and, long afflicted by the harassments of their worshipers, finally rested in peace with the saints, venerable in memory.

4. Nevers in Neustria, Saint Agricola, bishop.

5. Arcy in the region of Champagne in France, Saint Victor, hermit, whose praises were written by *Saint Bernard*.

6. Florence in Etruria, Saint Andrew, bishop.

7. London in England, blessed Robert Drury, priest and martyr, who, falsely accused of conspiracy against *King James I*, was put to death at Tyburn. Clothed in

ecclesiastical vestments to confirm his priestly dignity, he suffered the punishment of the gibbet for Christ.

8. Olesa de Montserrat in the region of Barcelona in Spain, **Saint Paula of Saint Joseph of Calasanz Montal Fornés, virgin**, who founded the *Institute of the Daughters of Mary of the Pious Schools*.

9. Alcantarilla near Murcia in Spain, **blessed Pietà of the Cross (Tomasa Ortiz Real), virgin**, who, out of love for God, devoted herself earnestly to the instruction and catechesis of the poor, and founded the *Congregation of the Salesian Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus*.

February 27th

This Day, the Twenty-seventh Day of February

1. Alexandria in Egypt, the commemoration of **Saints Julian and Eunos, martyrs**. Julian, when he was so afflicted with gout that he could neither walk nor stand, was brought before the judge carried in a chair by two servants; one of whom denied the faith, the other, named Eunos, persevered with his master in the confession of Christ. They were then ordered to be mounted on camels and led throughout the whole city and, in the sight of the people, were scourged to death, under the emperor Decius.

2. Likewise, **Saint Besas, martyr**, who, being a **soldier**, restrained those insulting the above-mentioned martyrs, was denounced to the judge and, acting steadfastly for the faith, was beheaded.

3. In the countryside of Rouen in France, **Saint Honorina, virgin and martyr**.
4. Lyon in France, **Saint Baldomer, subdeacon**, a man devoted to God.
5. Constantinople, **Saints Basil and Procopius** of Decapolis, **monks**, who, in the time of the emperor Leo III the Isaurian, fought vigorously for the veneration of holy images.
6. In the monastery of Narek in Armenia, **Saint Gregory, monk, doctor of the Armenians**, distinguished for his teaching, writings, and mystical knowledge.
7. Messina in Sicily, **Saint Luke, abbot** of the Monastery of the Most Holy Savior, under the rule of Eastern monks.
8. London in England, **Saint Anne Line, widow and martyr**, who, after her husband had died in exile for the Catholic faith, provided shelter for priests in this city; for this reason, under Queen Elizabeth I, she was hanged at Tyburn. **Along with her also suffered the blessed priests and martyrs Mark Barkworth**, of the Order of Saint Benedict, **and Roger Filcock**, of the Society of Jesus, who, while still breathing, were torn apart with knives.
9. London in England, **blessed William Richardson, priest and martyr**, who, having been ordained at Seville in Spain, was the last to suffer martyrdom under Queen Elizabeth I, being hanged at Tyburn for the priesthood.
10. the town of *Sencelles* on the island of Majorca, **blessed Francisca Ana of the Sorrowful Virgin (Cirer Carbonell), virgin**, who, though unable to read or write,

moved by divine zeal, devoted herself to works of the apostolate and charity, and founded the Community of the Sisters of Charity.

11. On the island of the Abruzzi in Italy, **Saint Gabriel of the Sorrowful Virgin (Francesco Possenti), acolyte**, who, having renounced the vanity of the world, entered the Congregation of the Passion as a youth, where he completed a short course of life.

12. Marseille in France, **blessed Mary of Jesus Deluil-Martiny, virgin**, who founded *the Congregation of the Daughters of the Heart of Jesus*, and, having been mortally wounded by a seditious man, ended a life intimately united with the Passion of Christ with the shedding of her blood.

13. Pasto in Colombia, **blessed Mary of Charity of the Holy Spirit (Carolina Brader), virgin**, who combined the contemplative life with missionary activity with great zeal, and founded *the Franciscan Sisters of Mary Immaculate* to foster the Christian education and advancement of the people.

February 28th

This Day, the Twenty-eight Day of February

1. Commemoration of **the holy priests, deacons, and many others**, who, at Alexandria during the time of Emperor Gallienus, **while a most severe plague was raging, most willingly met death as they ministered to the sick**; whom the devout faith of the pious has been accustomed to venerate as **martyrs**.

2. Mount Jura in the territory of Lyons, the burial of **Saint Romanus, abbot**, who, following the examples of the ancient monks, was the first to live a hermit's life in that place and later became the father of many monks.

3. Commemoration of **the holy virgins Marana and Cyra**, who lived under the open sky in a small and enclosed space near Beroea in Syria, having not even a hut, observing silence, and receiving their necessary sustenance through a small window.

(To be omitted in a leap year):

4. Rome, on the Via Tiburtina, the burial of **Saint Hilary, pope**, who wrote letters on the Catholic faith, by which *he confirmed the Councils of Nicaea, Ephesus, and Chalcedon*, thus illuminating the primacy of the Roman See.

5. Worcester in England, **Saint Oswald, bishop**, who, first a canon and then a monk, eventually governed both the Church of York and at the same time that of Worcester, and instituted the Rule of Saint Benedict in many monasteries, a kind, joyful, and learned teacher.

6. Aquila in the Abruzzi, **blessed Antonia of Florence, widow**, later foundress and first **abbess** of the monastery of Corpus Christi under the original Rule of Saint Clare.

7. In the city of Xilinxian in the province of Guangxi in China, **Saint Augustus Chapdelaine, priest** of the Paris Foreign Mission Society **and martyr**, who, having been arrested with several neophytes by soldiers because he was the first to sow the Christian faith in that region, was beaten with three hundred lashes, confined in a small cage, and at length perished, beheaded.

(Each year)

8. Paris in France, **blessed Daniel Brottier, priest** of the Congregation of the Holy Spirit, who dedicated himself to the founding of a work for orphans.

9. In the extermination camp of Oswiecim, or Auschwitz, near Krakow in Poland, **blessed Timothy Trojanowski, priest** of the Order of Conventual Franciscan Friars and martyr, who, under a regime hostile to humanity and religion, because of his confession of the Christian faith, broken by torture, fulfilled his martyrdom.

^{1.} Whose names are: blessed Othilia Baumgarten, religious; Joanna Gruget, Ludovica Rallier de la Tertinière, Magdalena Perrotin, Maria Anna Pichery, and Simona Chauvigné, widows; Francisca Pagis, Joanna Fouchard, Margarita Riviere, Maria Cassin, Maria Fausseuse, Maria Galard, Maria Gasnier, Maria Joanna Chauvigné, Maria Lenee, Maria Leroy Brevet, Maria Rouault, Petrina Phelippeaux, Renata Cailleau, Renata Martin, and Victoria Bauduceau, wives; Joanna, Magdalena, and Petrina Sailland d'Espinatz, sisters; Gabriela, Petrina, and Susanna Androuin, sisters; Maria and Renata Grillard, sisters; Anna Francisca de Villeneuve, Anna Hamard, Carola Davy, Catharina Cottanceau, Francisca Bellanger, Francisca Bonneau, Francisca Michau, Jacobina Monnier, Joanna BouriFrancet, Ludovica Amata Dean de Luigné, Magdalena Blond, Maria Leroy, Petrina Besson, Petrina Ledoyen, Petrina Grille, Renata Valin, and Rosa Quenion.

^{2.} Whose names are: Saints John Soan de Goto and James Kisai, religious of the Society of Jesus; Peter Baptist Blázquez, Martin of the Ascension Aguirre, and Francis Blanco, priests of the Order of Friars Minor; Philip of Jesus de Las Casas, Gonzalo García, and Francis of Saint Michael de la Parrilla, religious of the same Order; Leo Karasuma, Peter Sukejira, Cosmas Takeya, Paul Ibaraki, Thomas Dangi, and Paul Suzuki, catechists; Louis Ibaraki, Anthony, Michael Kozaki and Thomas, his son, Bonaventure, Gabriel, John Kinuya, Matthias, Francis of Meaco, Joachim Sakakibara, and Francis Adauctus, neophytes.

^{3.} Whose names are: blessed Catherine and Mary Louise du Verdier de la Sorinière, sisters; Louise Bessay de la Voûte; Mary Anne Hacher du Bois; Louise Poirier, wife.

^{4.} Whose names are: Saint Saturninus, priest, with his four children—that is, Saturninus the younger and Felix, lectors, Maria and Hilarion, an infant; Dativus, also called Sanator; Felix;

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another Felix; Emeritus and Ampelius, lectors; Rogatianus, Quintus, Maximian (or Maximus), Telica (or Tazelita), another Rogatianus, Rogatus, Januarius, Cassianus, Victorianus, Vincentius, Caecilianus, Restituta, Prima, Eva, yet another Rogatianus, Givalius, Rogatus, Pomponia, Secunda, Januaria, Saturnina, Martinus, Clautus, Felix the younger, Margarita, Maior, Honorata, Regiola, Victorinus, Pelusius, Faustus, Dacianus, Matrona, Caecilia, Victoria—a virgin of Carthage—Berecina, Secunda, Matrona, and Januaria.

Omnes sancti Mártyres, oráte pro nobis. (“All ye Holy Martyrs, pray for us,” from the *Litaniae Sanctorum*, the Litany of the Saints)

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“Scio opera tua ... quia modicum habes virtutem, et servasti verbum Meum, nec non negasti Nomen Meum”
(Apocalypsis 3.8)

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Semen est sanguis Christianorum (The blood of Christians is the seed of the Church)

Tertullian, *Apologeticum*, 50

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March

March 1st



This Day, the First Day of March

- 1.** Rome, near Saint Paul's on the Ostian Way, **Saint Felix III, Pope**, who was the great-great-grandfather of Saint Gregory the Great, Pope.
- 2.** Angers, in Gallia Lugdunensis Lugdunum, **Saint Albinus, Bishop**, who strongly rebuked the arrogant conduct of the powerful and diligently promoted the Third Council of Orléans for the renewal of the Church.
- 3.** Menevia in Wales, **Saint David, Bishop**, who, imitating the example and customs of the Eastern Fathers, founded a monastery from which many monks set out, who evangelized Wales, Ireland, Cornwall, and Armorica.
- 4.** Le Mans in Neustria, **Saint Siviard, Abbot** of Anisole.
- 5.** On the island of Werda in the Rhine, in Saxony, **Saint Suitbert, Bishop**, who was first a monk in Northumbria, became a companion of Saint Willibrord, was ordained bishop by Saint Wilfrid, preached the Gospel to the Batavians, Frisians,

and other peoples of Germany, and peacefully passed away in the monastery which, already elderly, he had founded.

6. In Vasconia, **Saint Leo, bishop and martyr.**

7. In the monastery of Vena, on the steep heights of Mount Mercury in Calabria, **Saint Leo of Lucca, Abbot** of Mula, who, according to the traditions of the Eastern monks, shone in both eremitical and cenobitic life.

8. Celanova in Galicia, Spain, **Saint Rudesind, formerly Bishop** of Dumium, who worked for the promotion or restoration of monastic life in that region and, having laid aside the episcopal office, took the monastic habit in the monastery of Celanova, where he later served as **abbot**.

9. Taggia in Liguria, the commemoration of **blessed Christopher of Milan, priest** of the Order of Preachers, devoted to the worship of God and sacred doctrine.

10. Bassano in the Veneto, **blessed Giovanna Maria Bonomo, abbess** of the Order of Saint Benedict, who, endowed with mystical gifts, shared in the sufferings of the Lord's Passion in both body and soul.

11. In the city of *Xilinxian*, in *Guangxi* Province, China, **Saint Agnes Cao Kuiying, martyr**, who, though married to a violent man, after his death devoted herself, by order of the bishop, to teaching Christian doctrine; for this she was imprisoned, suffered most cruel torments, and, always trusting in God, passed on to the eternal banquet.

March 2nd

This Day, the Second Day of March

1. Neocaesarea in Pontus, **Saint Troadius**, a **martyr** in the persecution of Emperor Decius, whose contest Saint Gregory Thaumaturgus has borne witness to.
2. Lichfield in England, **Saint Ceadda**, **bishop**, who, in the troubled provinces of his time—of the Mercians, of Lindsey, and of the Middle Angles—presided over the office of bishop, which he strove to administer after the examples of the ancient Fathers, in great perfection of life.
3. Agyrion in Sicily, **Saint Luke Casali of Nicosia**, **monk**, filled with humility and virtues.
4. Prague in Bohemia, of **Saint Agnes**, **abbess**, who, daughter of King Ottokar, having rejected royal marriage, desiring instead to be espoused to Jesus Christ, embraced the Rule of Saint Clare in a monastery rebuilt by herself, where she wished to observe poverty with exactness.
5. Bruges in Flanders, **blessed Charles the Good**, **martyr**, who, a prince of Denmark and afterward Count of Flanders, became a guardian of justice and a defender of the poor, until he was slain by soldiers whom he sought to compel to peace against their will.
6. Seville in Spain, **Saint Angela of the Cross Guerrero González**, who, foundress of *the Institute of the Sisters of the Cross*, claimed no right more for

herself than for the poor, whom she was accustomed to call her lords and truly to serve.

March 3rd

This Day, the Third Day of March

1. Caesarea in Palestine, **Saints Marinus, soldier, and Asterius, senator, martyrs** under the emperor Gallienus; the former, having been accused by an envious fellow soldier for being a Christian, before the judge professed his faith with the clearest voice, and received the crown of martyrdom by beheading; and Asterius, when he received the body of the martyr by spreading underneath it the garment he was wearing, is said to have received himself the honor which he paid to the martyr, by becoming himself also a martyr.
2. Calagurris in Tarraconensian Spain, **Saints Emeterius and Chelidonius**, who, when both were serving in military camps at León in Galicia, after the persecution broke out, were led as far as Calagurris for their confession of the name of Christ, and there were crowned with **martyrdom**.
3. Amasea in Pontus, **Saints Cleonicus and Eutropius, martyrs** in the persecution of the emperor Maximian, under the governor Asclepiodotus.
4. Brixia in Venetia, **Saint Titian, bishop**.
5. In Cornwall of Armorica, **Saint Winwaloe**, first **abbot** of Landevennec, who is said to have been a disciple of Saint Budoc on the island of Laurea, and to have made illustrious the monastic rule.

6. Benevento in Campania, **Saint Artellaïs, virgin.**
7. Nonantola in Emilia, **Saint Anselm**, founder and first **abbot** of the monastery, who for fifty years advanced monastic discipline both by his precepts and by the exercise of virtues.
8. Kaufungen in Hesse, **Saint Cunegund**, who, together with her **husband Saint Henry the Emperor**, bestowed many benefits upon the Church; after his death, she retired to the cloister as a nun, where she made Christ her heir and died. Her body was honorably laid to rest at Bamberg, near the bones of Saint Henry.
9. In Frisia, blessed Frederick, priest, first parish priest in the town of *Hallum*, later abbot of the monastery of Our Lady at Mariengarde, of the Premonstratensian Order.
10. Palermo in Sicily, **blessed Peter Geremia, priest** of the Order of Preachers, who, confirmed in the ministry of the Word of God by **Saint Vincent Ferrer**, devoted himself wholly to the salvation of souls.
11. Vercelli in the Subalpine region, **blessed Jacobinus de' Canepacci, religious** of the Order of Carmelites, distinguished for his devotion to prayer and penance.
12. *Gondar* in Ethiopia, **blessed Liberatus Weiss, Samuel Marzorati, and Michael Pio Fasoli da Zerbo, priests** of the Order of Friars Minor **and martyrs**, who were stoned to death for the Catholic faith.
13. Daron in Brittany of France, **blessed Peter René Rogue, priest** of the Congregation of the Mission and martyr, who, in the time of the French upheaval, refused the wicked oath imposed on the clergy, remained in the city to minister

secretly to the faithful, and, condemned to death, passed to the mercy of the Lord in the very church where he celebrated the sacred mysteries.

14. Brescia in Lombardy, **Saint Teresa Eustochio (Ignatia) Verzeri, virgin**, foundress of the Institute of the Daughters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

15. Also at Bergamo in Lombardy of Italy, **blessed Innocent of Berzo (John) Scalvinoni, priest** of the Order of Friars Minor Capuchin, who shone with outstanding charity in preaching the Word of God and in hearing confessions.

16. Philadelphia in Pennsylvania of the United States of North America, **Saint Katharine Drexel, virgin**, who founded *the Congregation of the Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament* and generously and kindly spent the wealth of her inheritance for the education and support of the Native Americans and African Americans.

March 4th

This Day, the Fourth Day of March

Saint Casimir, the son of the king of Poland, who, though a prince, stood out for zeal of faith, chastity and penance, kindness to the poor, and devout veneration toward the Eucharist and the Blessed Virgin Mary; and, consumed by tuberculosis while still young, peacefully fell asleep in the town of Grodno near Vilna in Lithuania.

2. Nicomedia in Bithynia, **the holy martyrs Photius, Archelaus, Quirinus, and seventeen others.**

3. Trier in Rhenish Austrasia, **Saint Basinus, bishop**, who, born from the leaders of the kingdom of Austrasia, was first a monk, then became abbot of Saint Maximin in Trier, and finally, raised to the episcopal seat of the city, gave consent to the foundation of Saint Irmina's monastery at Echternach.
4. Comacchio in Flaminia, **Saint Appian, monk**, who, having been sent from the monastery of Pavia, led a hermit's life in this city.
5. In the monastery of Cava in Campania, **Saint Peter**, who, having followed monastic life from youth, was elected **bishop** of Policastro, but, disdaining the noise of worldly life, returned to the monastery, where, having been made **abbot**, he wonderfully restored discipline.
6. Chambéry in Savoy, **blessed Humbert, count of Savoy the Third**, who, though forced to leave the cloister to handle public affairs, all the more cherished the monastic life, to which he soon truly returned.
7. London in England, **the blessed Martyrs Christopher Bales, priest, Alexander Blake, and Nicholas Horner**, who, amid the raging persecution of Queen Elizabeth the First, together received the crown of glory.
8. In the convent of Saint Savior at Vico-Comitatus in Normandy, France, of **blessed Placida (Eulalia) Viel, virgin**, who stood out in the Congregation of the Sisters of Christian Schools of Mercy for her zeal and humility.
9. Vicenza in Italy, of **blessed John Anthony Farina, bishop**, who worked in many ways for pastoral matters and founded *the Institute of the Teaching Sisters of Saint Dorothy, Daughters of the Sacred Hearts*, to provide for the education of poor girls and to care for all who were afflicted and marginalized.

10. In the town of *Berezwecz* near the city of Głębokie in Poland, of **the blessed Martyrs Miecislaus Bohatkiewicz, Ladislaus Mackowiak, and Stanislaus Pyrtek, priests**, who, in the turmoil of war, were cast into prison on account of Christ's faith and were shot.

March 5th

This Day, the Fifth Day of March

1. Commemoration of Saint Theophilus, bishop of Caesarea in Palestine, who under the emperor Septimius Severus shone forth, distinguished for wisdom and integrity of life.

2. In Pamphylia, **Saint Conon, martyr**, who, being a gardener, under the emperor Decius, with nails driven through his feet, was ordered to run in front of a chariot, then fell to his knees and gave up his spirit in prayer.

3. Rome on the Appian Way in the cemetery of Callistus, the burial of **Saint Lucius, pope**, who, successor of Saint Cornelius, suffered exile for the faith of Christ and, an outstanding confessor of the faith, conducted himself in the hardships of his time with moderation and prudence.

4. Sinope in Pontus, **Saint Phocas, martyr**, who, a gardener, suffered many injuries for the name of the Redeemer.

5. Caesarea in Palestine, **Saint Hadrian, martyr**, who, in the persecution of the emperor Diocletian, by order of the governor Firmilian, on the feast day when the birthday of the goddess Fortuna was customarily celebrated by the people of Caesarea, was first thrown to a lion for the sake of Christ, and afterward beheaded by the sword.
6. In Palestine on the bank of the Jordan, **Saint Gerasimus, anchorite**, who, in the time of the emperor Zeno, having been brought back to the orthodox faith by Saint Euthymius, performed great works of penance, providing to all who practiced the monastic life under him the most complete pattern of discipline and rule of life.
7. Saighir in the region of Ossory in Ireland, **Saint Kieran, bishop and abbot**.
8. Arles in Provence, **Saint Virgilius, bishop**, who, at the recommendation of Saint Gregory the Great, received Saint Augustine and the monks journeying to the English as guests.
9. Vigevano in Lombardy, **blessed Christopher Macassoli, priest** of the Order of Friars Minor, notable for preaching and for charity to the poor.
10. Naples in Campania, **blessed Jeremiah of Wallachia John Kostistik**, religious of the Order of Friars Minor Capuchin, who for forty years unceasingly tended the sick with charity and joy.
11. Likewise at Naples, **Saint John Joseph of the Cross (Carlo Gaetano) Calosirto, priest** of the Order of Friars Minor, who, following in the footsteps of Saint Peter of Alcantara, restored regular discipline in many monasteries of the Neapolitan province.

March 6th

This Day, the Sixth Day of March

1. Tortona in Liguria, **Saint Marcian**, who is venerated as **bishop and martyr**.
2. Nicomedia in Bithynia, **Saint Victorinus**, **martyr**.
3. Trier in Belgic France, **Saint Quiriacus**, **priest**.
4. Commemoration of **Saint Evagrius**, **bishop** of Constantinople, who, having been sent into exile by the emperor Valens, departed to the Lord as an outstanding confessor of the faith.
5. Toledo in Spain, **Saint Julian**, **bishop**, who brought together three councils in that city, and by his writings explained orthodox doctrine, carefully providing for justice, charity, and zeal for souls.
6. Säckingen among the Swiss, **Saint Fridolin**, **abbot**, who, originating from Ireland, journeyed through France until he founded a double monastery at Säckingen in honor of Saint Hilary.

7. Metz in Austrasia, **Saint Chrodegang, bishop**, who ordered the clergy to live as though within the enclosures of the cloister under a complete rule of life, and wondrously promoted singing in the Church.

8. In Syria, **the passion of forty-two holy martyrs**, who, having been arrested at Amorium in Phrygia and brought to the river Euphrates, received the palm of martyrdom by a noble contest.

9. Barcelona in Catalonia of Spain, **Saint Olegarius, bishop**, who also held the see of Tarragona, after that most ancient see had been liberated from the yoke of the Moors.

10. Viterbo in Tuscany, **blessed Rose, virgin**, of the Third Order of Saint Francis, who, devoted to works of charity, completed the short course of her life before the age of eighteen.

11. Ghent in Flanders, **Saint Colette Boillet, virgin**, who for three years led a most austere life in a small cell built beside a church in seclusion, and soon, having professed the Rule of Saint Francis, restored many monasteries of Poor Clares to their original way of life, introducing especially the spirit of poverty and penance.

March 7th

This Day, the Seventh Day of March

Memorial of the holy martyrs Perpetua and Felicity, who, under the emperor Septimius Severus, were arrested at Carthage along with other catechumens who were young adults. Perpetua, a matron about twenty-two years old, was the mother of an infant still at the breast. Felicity, a slave, was pregnant and, according to the laws, was kept alive until she gave birth. Even in the pains of labor, she rejoiced when exposed to the wild beasts. From prison to the amphitheater they advanced with cheerful countenance, as though to heaven.

2. In the same place, the passion of the holy martyrs Saturus, Saturninus, Revocatus, and Secundinus; of whom, during the same raging persecution, the last died in prison, but the others, having been tormented by various wild beasts, kissed one another and were all struck down by the sword.

3. Caesarea in Palestine, the passion of Saint Eubulus, who was the companion of Saint Hadrian, and two days after him was torn by lions and slaughtered by the sword.

4. Cherson, the holy bishops Basil, Eugene, Agathodorus, Elpidius, Aetherius, Capito, and Ephrem, martyrs.

5. In the Thebaid in Egypt, Saint Paul, surnamed the Simple, disciple of Saint Anthony.

6. Brescia in Venetia, Saint Gaudiosus, bishop.

7. In the monastery of Aniane in Septimania, Saint Ardo Smaragdus, priest, who was a companion of Saint Benedict of Aniane in monastic life.

8. Prusa in Bithynia, **Saint Paul, bishop**, who, for defending the veneration of sacred images, was expelled from his homeland and died in exile.

9. In the monastery of Fossanova of the Cistercian Order in Latium, **the passing of Saint Thomas Aquinas**, whose memorial is celebrated on the 28th of January.

10. London in England, **blessed Martyrs John Larke and John Ireland, priests, and German Gardiner**, who, for their fidelity to the Roman Pontiff, were hanged at Tyburn under King Henry the Eighth.

11. Florence in Etruria, **Saint Teresa Margaret Redi, virgin**, who, having entered the Order of Discalced Carmelites, walked the arduous path of perfection and was seized by an untimely death.

12. Seoul in Korea, **Saint John Baptist Nam Chong-sam, martyr**.

13. the place Sai-Nam-Hte also in Korea, **the holy martyrs Simeon Berneux, bishop, Just Ranfer de Bretenières, Louis Beaulieu, and Peter Henry Dorie, priests** of the Paris Foreign Missions Society, who, having confidently answered their persecutors that they had come to Korea to save souls in the name of Christ, were beheaded.

14. In the city of Kirov in Russia, **blessed Leonid Fedorov, bishop and martyr**, who, exercising the office of apostolic exarch of the Russian Catholics of the Byzantine Rite, before a regime hostile to religion, merited to be a faithful disciple of Christ even unto death.

March 8th

This Day, the Eighth Day of March

Saint John of God, religious, who, Portuguese by origin, after a life full of dangers in military service, longing for better things, with steadfast charity gave assistance to the needy and the sick in a hospital rebuilt by himself, and he gathered companions to himself, who later established *the Hospitaller Order of Saint John of God*. On this day in Granada in Spain, he departed to eternal rest.

2. The commemoration of **Saint Pontius**, who was a **deacon** of Saint Cyprian in Carthage, whom he accompanied into exile even to death, leaving behind an excellent volume about his life and passion.

3. Antinoë in Egypt, **the holy martyrs Apollonius and Philemon**.

4. Como in Liguria, **Saint Provinus, bishop**, who, a faithful disciple of Saint Ambrose, preserved the Church entrusted to him from the Arian heresy.

5. On the island of Catha in Ireland, **Saint Senan, abbot**.

6. Dunwich in England, **Saint Felix, bishop**, who, born in Burgundy, evangelized the East Angles under the authority of King Sigebert.

7. Nicomedia in Bithynia, **Saint Theophylact, bishop**, who, because of the veneration of holy images, was afflicted with exile, and died at Strobilos in Caria.

8. Merville in France, **Saint Humfrid, bishop** of Théroutanne, who, after the city was destroyed by the Normans, ceaselessly took care to gather and console his flock.

9. Pavia in Lombardy, **Saint Litiphredus, bishop**.

10. In the town of Tain in Scotland, the deposition of **Saint Duthac, bishop** of Ross.

11.* Estella in Navarre, **Saint Veremundus, abbot** of Irache, who, having been a monk there from childhood, inspired the monks subject to him by his example on account of his pursuit of perfection, being devoted to fasts and vigils.

12. Obazine near Limoges in Aquitaine, **Saint Stephen**, first **abbot** of the monastery of this place, who, seeking God, joined three monasteries founded by him to the Cistercian Order.

13. In the monastery of Jędrzejów in Poland, the passing of **blessed Vincent Kadlubek, bishop** of Kraków, who, having resigned his office, embraced the monastic life there.

14. In the city of Getafe near Madrid in Spain, **blessed Faustino Míguez, religious** of the Order of Clerics Regular of the Pious Schools, who, having been ordained priest, devoted himself entirely to the work of teaching, attaining a great reputation as a teacher and a man knowledgeable in the natural sciences, but diligent in pastoral activity, and founded *the Congregation of the Daughters of the Divine Shepherdess*.

March 9th

This Day, the Ninth Day of March

1. Saint Frances, a religious woman, who, as a young wife, lived in marriage for forty years, was a virtuous wife and mother, admired for her piety, humility, and patience. In times of calamity, she distributed her goods to the poor, served the sick, and, after the death of her husband, withdrew into the monastic life among the offerings that she had gathered in Rome under the Rule of Saint Benedict.

2. Sebaste in Armenia, the passion of the forty holy soldiers from Cappadocia, who, not for blood but for faith and obedience to the will of the Heavenly Father, suffered in the time of Emperor Licinius. After being bound and severely tortured, during the harsh winter, they were ordered to spend the night naked on the frozen lake, and they completed their martyrdom by breaking their limbs.

[Sebaste, in Armenia, under the governor Agricolaus, in the time of the emperor Licinius, the birthday of forty holy soldiers of Cappadocia. After being loaded with chains and confined in foul dungeons, after having their faces bruised with stones, and being condemned to spend the night naked, during the coldest part of winter, on a frozen lake, where their bodies were benumbed and laid open by the frost, they ended their martyrdom by having their limbs crushed. The noblest of them were Cyron and Candidus. Their glorious triumph has been celebrated by St. Basil and other Fathers in their writings. Their feast is kept on the tenth of this month.”

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3. Barcelona in Spain, Saint Pacian, bishop, who, explaining the faith, professed himself to be a Christian by name and truly Catholic by nature.

4. In the district of Rapolla in Lucania, **Saint Vitalis** of Castronovo, **monk**.

5. In Eastern Moravia, **Saint Bruno**, **bishop** of Querfurt **and martyr**, who, while accompanying Emperor Otto III in Italy, was moved by the authority of Saint Romuald to adopt the monastic life. After receiving the name Boniface, he returned to Germany, where he was consecrated bishop by Pope John X. He was martyred during an apostolic expedition, killed by idolaters **along with eighteen companions**.

6. Bologna in Emilia, **Saint Catherine**, **virgin** of the Order of Saint Clare, who, renowned for her noble talents but more illustrious for her mystical virtues and humble devotion, led other sacred virgins.

7. Mondonio in the Subalpine region, **Saint Dominic Savio**, who, even from his childhood, was sweet and joyful in spirit. As a young man, he quickly completed the Christian journey of perfection.

8. In the village of Nei-Ko-Ri in Korea, **the martyrs Saints Peter Ch' oe Hyong and John Baptist Chon Chang-un**, who, as heads of families, administered baptism and published Christian books. For this, they were subjected to severe tortures, yet remained so steadfast in their faith that they inspired admiration from their persecutors.

March 10th

This Day, the Tenth Day of March

1. Apamea on the Meander in Phrygia, the commemoration of **the holy martyrs Caius and Alexander**, who, in the persecution of the emperors Marcus Antoninus and Lucius Verus were crowned with glorious martyrdom.
2. In Africa, the commemoration of **Saint Victor, martyr**, on whose feast day Saint Augustine delivered a discourse about him to the people.
3. Likewise, the commemoration of **Saint Macarius, bishop** of Jerusalem, at whose urging the holy places were cleansed and adorned with sacred basilicas by Constantine the Great and Saint Helena, his mother.
4. Rome, at Saint Peter's, **Saint Simplicius, pope**, who, when barbarians were devastating Italy and the City, strengthened the afflicted, fostered the unity of the Church, and confirmed the faith.
5. Paris in France, **Saint Droctoveus, abbot**, who was appointed over the monastery of monks established in this city by his teacher, Saint Germanus of Autun.
6. In the monastery of Bobbio in Liguria, **Saint tala, abbot**, who, a devotee of the cenobitic life, first withdrew to the monastery of Lérins, and then to Luxeuil, where he succeeded Saint Columbanus, distinguishing himself greatly by zeal and discretion.
7. Glasgow in Scotland, **Saint John Ogilvie, priest** of the Society of Jesus **and martyr**, who, after spending many years in the study of sacred theology in exile across the kingdoms of Europe, having been ordained priest, secretly returned to

his homeland, where with the greatest diligence he exercised all pastoral care for his fellow citizens, until, under King James VI, he was cast into prison and condemned to death, and received on the gibbet the glorious palm of martyrdom.

8. Paris in France, **blessed Mary Eugenie Milleret de Brou, virgin**, foundress of *the Congregation of the Sisters of the Assumption*, for the Christian education of girls.

9. Near the city of *Cortázar* in Mexico, **blessed Elias of Succor (Matthew Elias) Nieves del Castillo, priest** of the Order of Saint Augustine **and martyr**, who, during a raging persecution, having been arrested while secretly fulfilling his ministry, was shot out of hatred for the priesthood.

March 11th

This Day, the Eleventh Day of March

1. Smyrna in Asia, **Saint Pionius, priest and martyr**, who, as is related, because of an apology for the Christian faith made before the people, after the filth of prison, where he strengthened many brothers by his exhortations to endure martyrdom, was afflicted with torments, and obtained a blessed end for Christ by fire.

2. Laodicea in Syria, **the holy martyrs Trophimus and Thalus**, who, in the persecution of the emperor Diocletian, after many and cruel torments, obtained crowns of glory.

3. In Scotland, **Saint Constantine, king**, disciple of Saint Columba, **and martyr**.
4. Jerusalem, **Saint Sophronius, bishop**, who had John Moschus as teacher and friend, with whom he visited monastic places, and who, having been elected bishop of this see after Modestus, when the Holy City fell into the hands of the Saracens, vigorously defended the faith and security of the people.
5. In Hainaut in Neustria, **Saint Vindician, bishop** of Cambrai and Arras, who admonished King Theodoric the Third concerning the death of Saint Leodegar, that he should atone for the crime by penance.
6. Milan, the deposition of **Saint Benedict, bishop**.
7. In the monastery of Tamlaght in Ireland, **Saint Aengus**, surnamed the Culdee, **monk**, who diligently compiled the White Book of the Saints of Ireland.
8. Córdoba in the region of Andalusia in Spain, **Saint Eulogius, priest and martyr**, who was beheaded by the sword for his noble confession of Christ.
9. In the town of Cupramontana in Picenum of Italy, **blessed John Baptist Righi of Fabriano, priest** from the Order of Friars Minor.
10. York in England, **blessed Thomas kinson, priest and martyr**, who suffered martyrdom under King James the First solely because he was a priest.
11. Clon in Ireland, **blessed John Kearney, priest** from the Order of Friars Minor and martyr, who, having been sentenced to death because he crossed through

England as a priest, at first escaped the sentence by flight, but later, under the regime of Oliver Cromwell, having again been accused of the priesthood professed in his native land, was put to death by the punishment of the noose.

12. In the city of Hung Yen in Tonkin, **Saint Dominic Cam, priest and martyr**, who ministered for many years in danger of life and even in prison, and finally, by order of the emperor Thieu Tri, having been condemned to death, embraced the cross of the Lord, which he had firmly refused to trample.

13. In the place Sai-Nam-Hte in Korea, **the holy martyrs Mark Chong Ui-bae, catechist, and Alexis U Se-yang**, who, on account of the Christian faith, were assailed with insults and beatings by their very relatives.

March 12th

This Day, the Twelfth Day of March

1. Theveste in Numidia, **Saint Maximilian, martyr**, who, the son of the veteran Victor and himself conscripted, said to the proconsul Dion that it is not permitted for a Christian believer to serve as a soldier; and when he refused the military oath, he was ordered to be executed by the sword.

2. Nicomedia in Bithynia, the commemoration of **the holy martyrs Mygdon, priest, Eugene, Maximus, Domna, Mardonius, Smaragdus, and Hilary**, who were each strangled on separate days, so that fear might be instilled in the others.

3. In the same place, **the passion of Saint Peter, martyr**, who, being a chamberlain of the emperor Diocletian and complaining too freely of the tortures of the martyrs, was brought before the emperor by his order and, first suspended and tortured for a long time with scourges, was then roasted on a gridiron over fire. But **Dorotheus and Gorgonius**, who had been appointed to the same royal chamber, having protested, were subjected to similar punishments, and finally killed by the noose.

4. Rome, in the cemetery of Pontianus at the Bear Wearing a Cap, the burial of **Saint Innocent I, pope**, who defended Saint John Chrysostom, consoled Jerome, and approved Augustine.

5. In the city of Saint-Pol-de-Léon in Armorican Brittany, **Saint Paul Aurelian**, the first **bishop** of this city.

6. Rome, at Saint Peter's, the burial of **Saint Gregory I, pope**, surnamed "**the Great**", whose memory is celebrated on the third day of September, namely, the day of his ordination.

7. Sigrion in Bithynia, in the monastery of Agros Magnus, the burial of **Saint Theophanes**, surnamed "the Chronographer," who, from a very wealthy man became a poor monk, and was detained in prison for two years by the emperor Leo the Armenian on account of his veneration of sacred images, and then deported to Samothrace, where, worn out by hardships, he gave up his spirit.

8. Winchester in England, **Saint Elphege, bishop**, who, already a **monk**, took the greatest care for the restoration of the cenobitic life.

9. In the city of San Gimignano in Etruria, **blessed Fina, virgin**, who, from her tender years, endured a long and severe illness with unconquered patience, trusting in God alone.

10. Arezzo in Etruria, **blessed Justina Francucci Bezzoli, virgin** of the Order of Saint Benedict and recluse.

11. Recanati in Picenum of Italy, **blessed Jerome Gherarducci, priest** of the Order of Hermits of Saint Augustine, who devoted himself to promoting peace and harmony among peoples.

12. In the city of *Guiyang* in the province of *Guangxi* in China, **Saint Joseph Zhang Dapeng, martyr**, who, having received the light of faith, and hardly baptized, opened his house to missionaries and catechists, and in every way assisted the poor, the outcasts, and children, until he was led to the punishment of the cross, yet shedding tears of joy, because he had been judged worthy to die for Christ.

13. Kraków in Poland, **blessed Angela Salawa, virgin** of the Third Order of Saint Francis, who, choosing to spend her whole life in domestic service, lived humbly among maidservants, and in the utmost poverty departed to the Lord.

14. Tortona in Liguria of Italy, **Saint Aloysius Orione, priest**, who founded *the Little Work of Divine Providence* for the good of youth and all who are abandoned.

March 13th

This Day, the Thirteenth Day of March

- 1. Nicomedia in Bithynia, the holy martyrs Macedonius, priest, Patricía, his wife, and Modesta, their daughter.**
- 2. Hermopolis in Egypt, Saint Sabinus, martyr, who suffered much and at length died, having been cast into the river.**
- 3. In Persia, Saint Christina, martyr, who, having been beaten with rods, completed her martyrdom under Chosroes I, king of the Persians.**
- 4. Poitiers in Aquitaine, Saint Pientius, bishop, who was of great help to blessed Radegund in the founding of monasteries.**
- 5. Seville in Spain, Saint Leander, bishop, who, brother of Saints Isidore, Fulgentius, and Florentina, by his preaching and efforts, converted the Visigoth people from Arian impiety to the Catholic faith, with the aid of their king Reccared.**
- 6. In the monastery of Novalesa, at the foot of Mount Cenis in the Susa Valley, Saint Eldradus, abbot, who, devoted to divine worship, corrected the Psalter and took care that new churches be built.**
- 7. Córdoba in the region of Andalusia in Spain, the passion of the holy martyrs Roderic, priest, and Solomon, of whom the former, because he refused to believe that Muhammad was truly a prophet sent by the Almighty, was thrown into prison, where he encountered Solomon, who some time before had adhered to the religion**

of Muhammad, and together they gloriously finished the course of their struggle by beheading.

8. Camerino in Picenum of Italy, **Saint Ansovinus, bishop.**

9. In the monastery of Cava in Campania, **blessed Peter II, abbot.**

10. Oxford in England, **blessed Agnellus of Pisa, priest**, who, sent by Saint Francis to France, and then to England, established the Order of Friars Minor there and promoted sacred learning.

11. Érnée in the region of Maine in France, **blessed Françoise Tréhet, virgin** of the Congregation of Charity and martyr, who devoted herself with all care to educating children and caring for the sick, and in the time of the French turmoil, completed her **martyrdom** for Christ by the sword.

March 14th

This Day, the Fourteenth Day of March

1. Pydna in Macedonia, **Saint Alexander, martyr.**

2. Milan in Liguria, **Saint Lazarus, bishop.**

3. Chartres in France, **Saint Leobinus, bishop.**

4. Quedlinburg in Saxony, **Saint Matilda**, who, the most faithful wife of King Henry, outstanding in humility and patience, devoted her kindly care to the relief of the poor and to the founding of hospitals and monasteries.

5. In the district of Fulda in Germany, **Saint Paulina**, religious.

6. Liège in Lotharingia, **blessed Eve of Mount Cornelius**, recluse near the convent of Saint Martin, who, **together with Saint Juliana**, prioress of the same convent, labored greatly so that Pope Urban IV might institute *the solemnity of Corpus Christi*.

7. Palermo in Sicily of Italy, **blessed James Cusmano**, priest, who founded *the Institute of the Missionary Servants*, male and female, of the Poor, distinguished for his outstanding charity toward the needy and the sick.

March 15th

This Day, the Fifteenth Day of March

1. Parium in the Hellespont, **Saint Menignus**, fuller, who is said to have suffered under Emperor Decius.

2. Rome, **Saint Zachary**, pope, who, restraining the attack of the Lombards, pointing out the right order to the Franks, providing churches for the Germans, and

maintaining communion with the Greeks, governed the Church of God with the highest vigilance and prudence.

3. Cordoba in Andalusia, a region of Spain, **Saint Leocritia, virgin and martyr**, who, born of a Moorish family, secretly shone with the faith of Christ, and, taken at home with Saint Eulogius, on the fourth day after his martyrdom, was beheaded and passed to eternal glory.

4. Burgos in Castile, a region of Spain, **Saint Sisebutus, abbot** of Cardena.

5. York in England, **blessed William Hart, priest and martyr**, who, ordained in the English College at Rome, under Queen Elizabeth I, because he had persuaded some to embrace the Catholic faith, was hanged and disemboweled.

6. Paris in France, **Saint Louise de Marillac, widow**, who formed *the Institute of the Daughters of Charity* for the relief of the poor by her example, fully carrying out the work designed by Saint Vincent de Paul.

7. Vienna in Austria, **Saint Clement Mary Hofbauer, priest** of the Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer, who labored admirably for the propagation of the faith in distant regions and for the reform of ecclesiastical discipline, and, outstanding both in talent and in virtue, inspired not a few men distinguished in learning and the arts to come to the Church.

8. Przemyśl in Poland, **blessed John Adalbert Balicki, priest**, who exercised manifold ministry for the whole people of God, with particular zeal devoting himself to preaching the Gospel and assisting fallen girls.

9. Viedma in Argentina, **blessed Artemides Zatti, religious** of the Society of Saint Francis de Sales, who shone with missionary zeal, and, having gone into the hardship of Patagonia, with great courage of soul, patiently and humbly devoted his whole life in the hospital of that city to the needs of the poor.

March 16th

This Day, the Sixteenth Day of March

1. Aquileia in Venetia, **Saints Hilary, bishop, and Tatian, martyrs.**
2. Seleucia in Persia, **Saint Pappas**, who, born from Lycaonia, on account of the faith of Christ, after many tortures, ended his life in martyrdom.
3. Anazarbus in Cilicia, **Saint Julian, martyr**, who, under the governor Marcian, after having been tortured for a very long time, was at last thrown into the sea enclosed in a sack together with serpents.
4. In Artois of Neustria, **Saint Eusebia, abbess** of Hammaticum, who, after the death of her father, together with her holy mother Rictrude, embraced the monastic life, and while still a young girl, was elected abbess after her grandmother, Saint Gertrude.
5. Cologne in Germany, **Saint Heribert, bishop**, who, having been chancellor of Emperor Otto III, was reluctantly elected to the episcopal see, and constantly

enlightened his clergy and people with examples of virtue, which he also commended by preaching.

6. Vicenza in Venetia, blessed John Sordi, also called Cacciafronte, **bishop and martyr**, who, first an abbot, was sent into exile on account of his fidelity to the pope; then elected bishop of Mantua and transferred to the see of Vicenza, he was struck down by the sword of an assassin and died for the freedom of the Church.

7. York in England, blessed John Amias and Robert Dalby, priests and martyrs, who, under Queen Elizabeth I, condemned to death solely for being priests, joyfully went to the punishment of the gallows.

8. Among the Hurons in Canada, the passion of Saint John de Brébeuf, priest of the Society of Jesus, who, sent from France to the Huron mission, after enduring many labors, was most cruelly tortured by some of the local pagans and died for Christ. His commemoration with his companions is observed on the nineteenth day of October.

March 17th

This Day, the Seventeenth Day of March

Saint Patrick, bishop, who, as a youth, was brought from Britain into Ireland as a captive; then, after having regained his freedom, he wished to be enrolled among the clerics, and returned to the same island, where, having been made a bishop, he

earnestly proclaimed the Gospel to the people and firmly established the Church, until he fell asleep in the Lord at the city of Down in Ireland.

2. Commemoration of many holy martyrs at Alexandria in Egypt, who, in the time of the emperor Theodosius, as the number of Christians was increasing, were seized by worshippers of Serapis, and, when they steadfastly refused to adore the idol, were most cruelly scourged.

3. Chalon in Burgundy of France, Saint Agricola, bishop, who governed this Church for nearly five decades and strengthened it through various councils.

4. Nivelles in Brabant, Saint Gertrude, abbess, who, born of a most noble family, received the sacred veil of virgins from Saint Amandus the bishop, and wisely governed the monastery built by her mother; devoted to the reading of the Scriptures, she was consumed by the austerity of vigils and fasting.

5. On the island of Cyprus, Saint Paul, monk, who, since he defended the veneration of holy images, was burned with fire.

6. Modugno near Bari in Apulia, blessed Conrad, who led a **hermit's** life in Palestine, dwelling in a miserable crypt until death.

7. Olomouc in Moravia, Saint John Sarkander, priest and martyr, who, being parish priest of Holešov, refused to reveal the secrets of confessions, was subjected to the torture of the rack, and, still breathing, was thrown into prison, where he died a month later.

8. Among the Hurons in Canada, the passion of Saint Gabriel Lalemant, priest of the Society of Jesus, who, with vigorous zeal, spread the glory of God in the

very language of the local peoples, before he himself was dragged by enemies—worshippers of idols—into most cruel torments. His memory is celebrated with his companions on the nineteenth day of October.

9. Málaga in Spain, blessed John Nepomucene Zegri y Moreno, priest, who consecrated his ministry to the service of the Church and of souls, and, so that he might better promote the glory of God the Father in Christ, founded *the Congregation of the Sisters of Charity of the Blessed Virgin Mary of Mercy*.

March 18th

This Day, the Eighteenth Day of March

Saint Cyril, bishop of Jerusalem and Doctor of the Church, who, having suffered many injuries from the Arians on account of the faith and having been frequently expelled from his see, wonderfully explained to the faithful through prayers and catechesis the orthodox doctrine, the Scriptures, and the sacred mysteries.

2. Commemoration of Saint Alexander, bishop and martyr, who, coming from Cappadocia to Jerusalem, took up the pastoral care of the Holy City, founded a precious library, and opened a school; afterward, already shining with the venerable gray hair of advanced age, he was led to Caesarea in the persecution of the emperor Decius and, for the confession of Christ, fulfilled martyrdom.

3. Lucca in Etruria, **Saint Frigidianus, bishop**, who, born in Ireland, gathered clerics into a monastery and, for the good of the people, diverted the river Serchio to a different course, acquiring fertile land, and converted the Lombards, who had invaded his territory, to the Catholic faith.
4. Tours in Neustria, **Saint Leobardus**, who, shut away in a cell near the monastery of Marmoutier, shone with remarkable abstinence and humility.
5. Caesaraugusta in the province of Tarraconensis Spain, **Saint Braulio, bishop**, who, being a close friend of Saint Isidore, gave assistance in restoring ecclesiastical discipline throughout all Spain and succeeded him worthily in eloquence and knowledge.
6. At the town of *Wareham* in England, **Saint Edward**, who, **king of the English**, still a youth, was killed through wicked deceit by the servants of his stepmother.
7. Mantua in Lombardy, the passing of **Saint Anselm, bishop** of Lucca, who, most faithful to the Roman See, during the controversy over investiture returned into the hands of Pope Gregory VII the ring and pastoral staff which he had received from the emperor Henry IV, and, being expelled from his see by the canons who refused the common life, was sent as legate by the pope into Lombardy, where he was a vigorous helper.
8. Cagliari in Sardinia, **Saint Salvatore** of Horta, from Girona, **a religious** of the Order of Friars Minor, who became a humble instrument of Christ for the salvation of bodies and souls.
9. Lancashire in England, the **blessed John Thules, priest, and Roger Wrenno, martyrs** of Christ under King James the First, both natives of the same county.

10. In the monastery of Saint Savior at Vicoigne in Normandy of France, **blessed Martha (Amata) Le Bouteiller, virgin** of the Sisters of the Christian Schools of Mercy, who, relying entirely on God, always fulfilled the humblest duties with patience.

March 19th

This Day, the Nineteenth Day of March

Solemnity of Saint Joseph, spouse of the most blessed Virgin Mary, who, a just man, born of the lineage of David, was as a father to the Son of God, Christ Jesus, who wished to be called the son of Joseph and to be subject to him as a son to a father. The Church venerates him with special honor as patron, whom the Lord appointed over His household.

2. At Spoleto in Umbria, **Saint John, abbot** of Parrano, who was the father of many servants of God.

3. Pavia in Lombardy, **blessed Isnard of Chiampo, priest** of the Order of Preachers, who founded in this city a convent of his Order.

4. Siena in Etruria, **blessed Andrew Gallerani**, who diligently visited and consoled the sick and afflicted, and gathered together the Brothers of Mercy, who, as laymen without vows, ministered to the poor and infirm.

5. Camerino in Picenum of Italy, **blessed John Buralli** of Parma, **priest** of the Order of Friars Minor, whom Pope Innocent IV sent as legate to the Greeks, that he might reconcile their communion with the Latins.

6. Pavia in Lombardy, **blessed Sibyllina Biscossa**, **virgin**, who, having been blind from the age of twelve, lived as a recluse near the church of the Order of Preachers for sixty-five years, enlightening with inner light many who came to her for refuge.

7. Vicenza in Venetia, **blessed Mark of Montegallo**, **priest** of the Order of Friars Minor, who, to relieve the need of the poor, established the institution called *the Mount of Piety*.

8. Near Munich in Bavaria in Germany, **blessed Narcissus Turchan**, **priest** of the Order of Friars Minor and martyr, who, after Poland had been subjected to a wicked regime, was deported to the concentration camp of Dachau for the faith, and died worn out by torments.

9. At the place *Mauthausen* in Austria, **blessed Marcel Callo**, **martyr**, who, a young man from Rennes in France, during the raging war, encouraged his fellow prisoners, worn down by harsh labor, with Christian fervor in the faith, for which reason he was killed in the extermination camp.

March 20th

This Day, the Twentieth Day of March

Commemoration of **Saint Archippus, fellow soldier of the blessed Apostle Paul**, whom he himself mentions in the letters to Philemon and to the Colossians.

2. Antioch in Syria, of **the holy martyrs Paul, Cyril, and others**.

3. Metz in Belgic France, of **Saint Urbicius, bishop**.

4. Braga in Lusitania, of **Saint Martin, bishop**, who, originating from Pannonia, first received the See of Dumio, then that of Braga, through whose zeal and preaching the Suevi, having abandoned the Arian heresy, embraced the Catholic faith.

5. On the island of Farne in Northumbria, the passing of **Saint Cuthbert, bishop** of Lindisfarne, who shone in the pastoral office with the same diligence with which he had earlier shone in the monastery and the hermitage, and who peacefully reconciled the austerities and way of life of the Celts with Roman customs.

6. In the monastery of Fontenelle in Neustria, **the burial of Saint Wulfram**, who, elected **bishop** of Sens from among the monks, went to enrich the people of the Frisians with the message of the Gospel; finally, having returned to the monastery of Fontenelle, he rested there in peace.

7. Commemoration of **Saint Nicetas, bishop** of Apollonia in Macedonia, who was cast into exile by the emperor Leo the Armenian for the veneration of holy images.

8. In the laura of Saint Sabas in Palestine, **the passion of twenty holy monks**, who were suffocated with smoke by Saracen raiders in the church of the Mother of God.

9. Siena in Etruria, of the **blessed Ambrose Sansedoni, priest** of the Order of Preachers, who, a disciple of Saint Albert the Great, although wise in doctrine and preaching, nonetheless showed himself simple toward all.

10. Prague in Bohemia, of **Saint John Nepomucene, priest and martyr**, who, in defending the Church, suffered many injuries from King Wenceslaus IV, and, having been subjected to tortures and torments, was finally, while still breathing, cast into the river Moldau.

11. Mantua in Lombardy, of the **blessed Baptist Spagnoli, priest** of the Carmelite Order, who reconciled peace among princes and reformed the Order itself, to which he was unwillingly appointed superior at the command of Pope Leo the Tenth.

12. Florence in Etruria, of the **blessed Hippolytus Galantini**, who, founder of *the Sodality of Christian Doctrine*, devoted outstanding labor to the catechetical instruction of children and the more simple.

13. Érínes in the district of Meudon in France, of the blessed Jeanne Véron, virgin and martyr, who gave herself to the care of children and the sick, and, when she had hidden priests from persecutors during the French turmoil, was slain by the sword.

14. At Tarragona in Spain, of the **blessed Francis of Jesus Mary Joseph Palau y Quer, priest** of the Discalced Carmelite Order, who endured grave persecutions in his ministry and was exiled to the island of Ibiza on account of false accusations and was abandoned by all.

15. At Flaviobriga in the Basque region of Spain, of **Saint Mary Joseph of the Heart of Jesus Sancho de Guerra, virgin**, who founded *the Congregation of the*

Servant Sisters of Jesus and directed it especially toward the care of the sick and of the poor.

16. At Lviv in Ukraine, of the **blessed Joseph Bilczewski, bishop**, who with great zeal of charity devoted himself to the formation in morals and doctrine of the clergy and the Latin people, and, in time of war, aided the needs of the poor and indigent with every help and effort.

March 21st

This Day, the Twenty-first Day of March

- 1.** In Egypt, of **Saint Serapion, anchorite**.
- 2.** Commemoration of **the holy Alexandrian martyrs**, who, under the emperor Constantius and the prefect Philagrius, when Arians and pagans rushed into the churches, were killed on Friday of the Lord's Passion.
- 3.** Lauconne in the district of Lyon, the birth [unto heaven, Ed.] of **Saint Lupicinus, abbot**, who, with his brother **Saint Romanus**, upheld the monastic way of life in the Jura forest.
- 4.** Ireland, of **Saint Endeus, abbot**, who on the island of Aran founded such a renowned monastery that, on account of its fame, the island was called the Island of Saints.

5. Mount Cassino, the birth [unto heaven, Ed.] of **Saint Benedict, abbot**, whose memorial is celebrated on the eleventh day of July.
6. Constantinople, **the passion of Saint James, surnamed the Confessor**, who vigorously defended the veneration of holy Images and passed from life in glorious martyrdom.
7. Saint-Julien of Valence in the district of Vienne in France, of **Saint John, bishop**, who, formerly abbot of Bonnevaux, endured many hardships in defense of justice and with great charity aided farmers, the poor, and merchants who had been truly ruined.
8. On a mountainside steep place commonly called *Ranft* near *Sachseln* in Switzerland, of **Saint Nicholas of Flüe**, who, called by divine inspiration to greater things, after setting aside his wife and ten children, withdrew to the mountain and lived the life of an anchorite, celebrated for the strictest penance and contempt of the world; he left his cell only once, when, as civil war threatened, with a brief exhortation he reconciled the opposing parties.
9. Dorchester in England, of the **blessed Thomas Pilchard, priest and martyr**, a man learned and gentle, who under Queen Elizabeth the First was handed over to the punishment of the gallows on account of the priesthood. With him is also commemorated the blessed William Pike, martyr, who, a carpenter, was on an unspecified day there under the same queen most cruelly dismembered on account of his reconciliation with the Roman Church.
10. York, also in England, of the **blessed Matthew Flathers, priest and martyr**, who, an alumnus of the English College at Douai, was torn apart alive for Christ under King James the First.

11. In the province of *Sichuan* in China, the commemoration of **Saint Augustine Zhao Rong, priest and martyr**, who, during a raging persecution, was thrown into prison for the name of Christ and, on an unknown day in spring, met death.

12. At Ronco in Liguria, of **Saint Benedicta Cambiagio Frassinello**, who, together with her husband, freely renounced conjugal life and for the Christian education of poor and abandoned girls *founded the Institute of the Benedictine Sisters of Providence*.

March 22nd

This Day, the Twenty-second Day of March

1. Commemoration of **Saint Epaphroditus**, whom Saint Paul the Apostle calls brother, co-worker, and fellow soldier.

2. At Narbonne, on the coast of France, along the Domitian Way outside the City, the **burial of Saint Paul, bishop and martyr**.

3. In Galatia, of **Saints Callinicus and Basilissa, martyrs**.

4. At Ancyra, likewise in Galatia, of **Saint Basil, priest and martyr**, who, as long as Constantius held imperial power, resisted the Arians most bravely; soon under the emperor Julian he prayed to God that none of the Christians might fall away from the faith, for which reason he was arrested, handed over to the governor of the province, and having endured many torments, fulfilled martyrdom.

5. Commemoration of **Saint Lea, Roman widow**, whose virtues and passing to God Saint Jerome praised.

6. At Osimo in Picenum of Italy, **Saint Benvenutus Scotivoli, bishop**, who, elected to this see by Pope Urban IV, reconciled peace among the citizens and desired to depart from life on the bare earth in the spirit of the Friars Minor.

7. At London in England, **Saint Nicholas Owen, religious** of the Society of Jesus and martyr, who for many years built hiding places for the concealment of priests, on account of which he was imprisoned under King James I and severely tortured, and finally placed on the rack, gloriously obeying Christ the Lord, died.

8. At Angers in France, **blessed Francis Chartier, priest and martyr**, who, during the French upheaval, died by beheading because of the priesthood.

9. In the detention camps of the place Stutthof near Gdańsk in Poland, of **blesseds Marian Górecki and Bronisław Komorowski, priests and martyrs**, who, in their homeland occupied militarily by followers of a doctrine hostile to religion, in contempt of the faith were pierced with bullets.

March 23rd

This Day, the Twenty-third Day of March

Saint Turibius of Mogrovejo, bishop of Lima, who, a layman skilled in law, born of the Spanish, was elected to this see, traveled to America, and, burning with apostolic zeal, visited the vast diocese many times, often on foot; he diligently provided for the flock entrusted to him, drove out abuses and scandals among the clergy through synods, vigorously defended the Church, catechized and converted the native peoples, until he at last rested at Saña in Peru.

2. In Cornwall, of **Saint Fingar**, or Guigner, **martyr**.

3. Commemoration of **the holy martyrs Victorianus**, proconsul of Carthage, **and two full brothers** of Aghlab origin; likewise of **Frumentius and another Frumentius**, merchants, who all in the Vandal persecution, under King Hunneric the Arian, for the steadfastness of Christian confession, were tortured with brutal torments and were nobly crowned.

4. At Pont-Sainte-Maxence near Paris in France, of **Saint Walter**, first **abbot** of the monastery of that place, who, setting aside love of solitude, taught the monks regular discipline by his example, and rooted out simoniacal practices among the clergy.

5. At Ariano in Hirpinia, of **Saint Otho**, **hermit**.

6. At Gubbio in Umbria, of **blessed Peter**, **priest** of the Order of Hermits of Saint Augustine.

7. At York in England, of **blessed Edmund Sykes, priest and martyr**, who, under Queen Elizabeth I, having been condemned to exile because of the priesthood, when he had again sought England, was given over to the utmost punishments of the gibbet.
8. At the place Naas near Dublin in Ireland, of **blessed Peter Higgins, priest** of the Order of Preachers and martyr, who, for having preserved fidelity to the Roman Church, under King Charles I, was hanged without trial.
9. At Barcelona in Spain, of **Saint Joseph Oriol, priest**, who was always intent on God through bodily mortification, the cultivation of poverty, and continual prayer, and was filled with heavenly joy.
10. In the village of Cemmo in Lombardy of Italy, **blessed Annunciata Cocchetti, virgin**, who governed with wisdom, fortitude, and humility the Institute of the Sisters of Saint Dorothy, recently founded.
11. At ad-Dahr in Lebanon, of **Saint Rebecca of Himlaya ar-Rayyas, virgin** of the Lebanese Order of Saint Anthony of the Maronites, who, blind for thirty years, then afflicted also in all her limbs by infirmity, trusting in God alone, remained wholly in prayer.
12. At Leopoldov in Slovakia, of **blessed Methodius Dominic Trčka, priest** of the Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer and martyr, whose earthly pilgrimage, in a time of persecution of the faith, was changed by glorious martyrdom into eternal life.

March 24th

This Day, the Twenty-fourth Day of March

1. At Caesarea in Palestine, **the holy martyrs Timolaus, Dionysius, Pausidis, Romulus, Alexander, and another Alexander**, who, in the persecution of the emperor Diocletian, with their hands bound, were led to the governor Urbanus, confessing that they were Christians; and, a few days later, together with their companions **Agapius and the other Dionysius**, having their heads cut off, they earned the crowns of eternal life.
2. In Mauretania, **Saint Secundulus**, who suffered for the faith of Christ.
3. At Clocera in Ireland, **Saint Maccarthemus, bishop**, who is held to be a disciple of Saint Patrick.
4. At Catania in Sicily, **Saint Severus, bishop**.
5. At Fabriano in Picenum of Italy, **blessed John of the Staff, priest and monk**, companion of Saint Sylvester the abbot.
6. At Vadstena in Sweden, **Saint Catherine, virgin**, who, daughter of Saint Bridget, although given in marriage against her will, preserved her virginity with the consent of her husband, and after his death led a devout life; a pilgrim to Rome and the Holy Land, she brought her mother's relics back to Sweden and kept them at the monastery of Vadstena, where she herself took on the habit of a nun.

7. At Andújar in the region of Andalusia in Spain, **blessed Diego Joseph of Cádiz (Francis Joseph) López-Caamaño, priest** of the Order of Friars Minor Capuchin, an outstanding preacher and fearless defender of the Church's freedom.

8. In the town of Pniewite near Gdańsk in Poland, **blessed Maria Karłowska, virgin**, who, so that poor girls and women involved in moral corruption might recover the dignity of daughters of God, founded *the Congregation of the Sisters of the Divine Shepherd under Divine Providence*.

March 25th

This Day, the Twenty-fifth Day of March

Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord, when in the city of Nazareth the angel of the Lord announced to Mary: "Behold, you will conceive and bear a son, and he will be called the Son of the Most High;" but Mary, responding, said: "Behold the handmaid of the Lord; let it be done to me according to your word." And thus, with the fullness of time fulfilled, the Only-Begotten Son of God, who was before the ages, for us men and for our salvation was made incarnate of the Holy Spirit from the Virgin Mary and was made man.

2. The **commemoration of the holy thief**, who, having confessed Christ on the cross, merited to hear from him: "Today you will be with me in Paradise."

3. At Nicomedia, **Saint Dula, martyr**.

4. At Rome, in the cemetery of Pontianus on the Via Portuensis, **Saint Quirinus, martyr.**

5. At Thessalonica in Macedonia, **Saint Matrona, martyr**, who, being the servant of a certain Jewess, was discovered by her mistress while secretly worshipping Christ and, being afflicted in many ways, was finally beaten to death with clubs, and in the confession of Christ returned her spirit to God, incorrupt.

6. At Milan in Transpadane Italy, **Saint Mona, bishop.**

7. On the island of Indre near Nantes in France, **Saint Hermelandus**, who, from the royal court became a **monk** at Fontenelle, and afterward was made the first **abbot** of that place.

8. At Mammola near Hierax in Calabria, **Saint Nicodemus, hermit**, who, outstanding in the harshness of life and in virtues, was a master of monastic life.

9. At Sázava in Bohemia, **Saint Procopius**, who, after setting aside wife and son, devoted himself to the eremitic life, and later presided over a monastery founded there by himself, and celebrated the divine praises in the Greek rite and in the Slavic language.

10. At Petershausen in Swabia, **blessed Everard**, who, count of Nellenburg, embraced monastic life in the monastery of All Saints built through his care.

11. At Costacciaro in Umbria, **blessed Thomas, hermit**, who lived the anachoretic life for sixty-five years and taught others to live it.

12. At York in England, **Saint Margaret Clitherow, martyr**, who, with the consent of her husband, adhered to the Catholic faith, in which she also educated her children, and took care to hide sought-after priests in her home; for this reason imprisoned several times, she, under Queen Elizabeth I, refused to have her case tried before the court, lest the conscience of the judges be burdened by a sentence of death, and she was crushed to death under a great weight for Christ.

13. At Winchester likewise in England, **blessed James Bird, martyr**, who, under the same queen, at the age of nineteen, having recently become Catholic, refused to participate in a foreign liturgy, and merited to attain the celebration of heavenly worship.

14. At Montefiascone in Tuscany, **Saint Lucy Filippini**, foundress of *the Institute of the Maestre Pie* for the promotion of Christian instruction of girls and women, especially of the poor.

15. At Rome, at Saint Paul's on the Via Ostiense, **blessed Placido Riccardi, priest** of the Order of Saint Benedict, who, afflicted with continual fevers, diseases, and paralysis, tirelessly embraced regular observance and prayer and taught others to do the same.

16. In the town of Chervonohrad near Lviv in Ukraine, **blessed Josaphata (Michaelina) Hordashevska, virgin**, who served wherever the need was greatest in the Institute of the Sisters Servants of Mary Immaculate, which she herself founded.

17. In the city of Majdanek near Lublin in Poland, **blessed Emiliano Kovč, priest and martyr**, who, during wartime, deported to a detention camp, attained eternal life through the struggle of faith.

18. Near Munich in Bavaria, Germany, within the detention camp of Dachau, **blessed Hilary Januszewski, priest** of the Order of Discalced Friars of the Blessed Virgin of Mount Carmel and martyr, who, during the war, deported from Poland to this foreign prison for Christ, afflicted with typhus, died, shining in faith and charity, while ministering in the infirmary.

March 26th

This Day, the Twenty-sixth Day of March

- 1.** At Rome on the Via Labicana, **Saint Castulus, martyr.**
- 2.** In Anatolia, **Saints Emmanuel, Sabinus, Codratus, and Theodosius, martyrs.**
- 3.** At Sirmium in Pannonia, **the holy martyrs Montanus, priest, and Maxima, spouses,** who, having confessed Christ the Lord, were cast by unbelievers into the waters.
- 4.** Commemoration of the passion of **Saint Eutychius, subdeacon** of Alexandria, who, in the time of the Emperor Constantius, under the Arian bishop George, was beaten for the Catholic faith.
- 5.** At Sebaste in Armenia, **Saint Peter, bishop,** who, the younger brother of Saint Basil the Great, was an outstanding defender of the orthodox faith against the Arians.

6. In the monastery of Dervensis in the region of Campania in France, **Saint Bercharius**, first **abbot** of Altivillare **and also of Dervensis**, who, having been violently struck with a dagger by a wicked monk on Holy Thursday, passed to the heavenly things on the day of the Resurrection.

7. At Mount Albano in Etruria, **Saints Barontius and Desiderius, hermits.**

8. In the monastery of Werden in Saxony, **the passing of Saint Liudger, bishop**, who, educated by Alcuin, preached the Gospel in Frisia, Denmark, and Saxony, established the see of Münster and founded many monasteries, true centers of propagating the faith.

9. At Catania in Sicily of Italy, **blessed Magdalene Catherine Morano, virgin** of the Institute of the Daughters of Mary Help of Christians, who devoted herself to the teaching of catechesis, tirelessly traversing this entire region far and wide without pause.

March 27th

This Day, the Twenty-seventh Day of March

1. At Salzburg in Bavaria, **Saint Rupert, bishop**, who, first living at Worms, at the request of Duke Theodo went to Bavaria and in the town of Juvavum rebuilt a church and a monastery, over which he presided as bishop and abbot, and from which he spread the Christian faith.

2. At Septempeda in Picenum of Italy, **blessed Peregrine of Phalerone, priest**, who was among the first disciples of Saint Francis and, a pilgrim in the Holy Land, was also held in admiration by the Saracens.
 3. At Quarona near Novara in the Italian Subalpines, **blessed Panacea de' Muzzi, virgin and martyr**, who, by her own stepmother, by whom she was always harried, was killed while praying in a church, in the fifteenth year of her age.
 4. At Turin likewise in the Subalpine region, **blessed Francis Faà di Bruno, priest**, who joined the knowledge of mathematics and physics with the zeal for works of charity.
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March 28th

This Day, the Twenty-eighth Day of March

1. At Tarsus in Cilicia, **Saint Castor, martyr**.
2. Commemoration of **the holy martyrs Priscus, Malchus, and Alexander**.
These three, in the persecution of the emperor Valerian, while they were living on a small farm outside the city at Caesarea in Palestine, where crowns of heavenly martyrdom were being offered, inflamed with divine zeal for the faith, went to the judge and rebuked him because he was raging so cruelly in blood against the pious; whom he then handed over to be continuously devoured by beasts on account of the name of Christ.

3. At Heliopolis in Phoenicia, **Saint Cyril, deacon and martyr**, who was savagely killed under the emperor Julian the Apostate.
4. At Alexandria in Egypt, **Saint Proterius, bishop**, who was cruelly killed on Thursday of the Lord's Supper, in a riot of the people instigated by the Monophysites, followers of his predecessor Dioscorus.
5. At Chalon in Burgundy of France, **the burial of Saint Guntram, king of the Franks**, who distributed his treasures to churches and the poor.
6. At Mount Olympus in Bithynia, **Saint Hilarion, abbot** of the monastery of Pelekete, who strove earnestly for the veneration of the holy images.
7. At Cîteaux in Burgundy, **Saint Stephen Harding, abbot**, who, coming with other monks from Molesme, presided over this famous monastery, instituted lay brothers, received Bernard with thirty companions, and founded twelve monasteries, which he joined together with the bond of the *Charter of Charity*, so that there might be no discord, but the monks might live in one charity, one rule, and similar customs.
8. At Naso near Messina in Sicily, **Saint Conon, monk** under the discipline of the Easterners, who, returning from pilgrimage to the holy places, when he found his parents dead, distributed all his family possessions to the needy and embraced the anchoritic life.
9. At Monticiano near Siena in Etruria, **blessed Antony Patrizi, priest** from the Order of Hermits of Saint Augustine, who was a true lover of his brothers and neighbor.

10. At Tours in France, **blessed Joan Mary of Maille**, who, her husband having been killed in war, reduced to poverty and cast out from her home by her own people, abandoned by all, lived enclosed in a small cell near a convent of Minors, begging for bread but wholly trusting in God.

11. At York in England, **blessed Christopher Wharton, priest and martyr** under Queen Elizabeth the First, who was handed over to the punishment of the gallows on account of the priesthood.

12. At Angers in France, **blessed Renata Mary Feillatreau, martyr**, who, though married, while the French turmoil was raging, was beheaded because she had preserved loyalty to the Catholic Church.

13. At Przemyśl in Poland, **Saint Joseph Sebastian Pelczar, bishop**, founder of *the Congregation of the Servants of the Sacred Heart of Jesus* and an outstanding master of the spiritual life.

March 29th

This Day, the Twenty-ninth Day of March

1. At Naples in Campania, the commemoration of **Saint Eustasius, bishop**.

2. Commemoration of **Saint Mark, bishop** of Arethusa in Syria, who in the time of the Arian controversy did not at all turn aside from the orthodox faith and, under the emperor Julian the Apostate, was grievously harassed; by Saint Gregory Nazianzen he is hailed as an outstanding man and most holy elder.

3. Commemoration of **the holy martyrs Armogastes, Archinimus, and Saturninus**, who in Africa, in the time of the Vandal persecution, under King Genseric the Arian, endured many and severe tortures and insults for the confession of the truth.

4. On Mount Carmel in Palestine, **blessed Berthold**, who, **a soldier**, having been admitted among the brothers living the **religious** life on that mountain, was soon elected prior, and entrusted the pious community to the Mother of God.

5. At Poitiers in Aquitaine, **Saint William Tempier, bishop**, who, prudent and steadfast, defended the Church entrusted to him against the nobles and corrected morals, himself offering an example of the most upright life.

6. At Wismar in Holstein of Germany, **Saint Ludolph, bishop** of Ratzeburg **and martyr**, who, for having defended the liberty of the Church, was cast by order of Duke Albert into a squalid prison, and was so exhausted in body that, as soon as he was freed from his chains, he departed from the world.

7. At Salisbury in England, the commemoration of **blessed John Hambley, priest and martyr**, who, under Queen Elizabeth the First, on an unknown day of this month, around the Pasch of the Lord, was conformed to the passion of Christ by the punishment of the gallows because of the priesthood.

March 30th

This Day, the Thirtieth Day of March

1. At Asti Pompeii in Transpadana, **Saint Secundus, martyr.**
2. At Thessalonica in Macedonia, **Saint Domninus, martyr.**
3. At Autun in France of Lyons, **Saint Regulus, bishop.**
4. **Commemoration of many holy martyrs**, who at Constantinople, in the time of the emperor Constantius, by order of Macedonius the Arian bishop, were driven into exile or tortured with unheard-of kinds of torments.
5. On Mount Sinai, **Saint John, abbot**, who composed the famous book *The Ladder of Paradise* for the instruction of monks, in which he laid out the path of spiritual progress like an ascent through thirty steps to God, whence he deserved to be called “Climacus.”
6. At Syracuse in Sicily, **Saint Zosimus, bishop**, who was first the humble keeper of the tomb of Saint Lucy, then abbot of the monastery of that place.
7. At Coventry in England, **Saint Osburga**, the first **abbess** of the monastery of that place.
8. Near Aquino in Latium, **Saint Clinius, abbot** of the monastery of Saint Peter of the Wood.

9. At Aguilar in the region of Castile of Spain, **Saint Peter of Valladolid Regalado, priest** of the Order of Minors, who, remarkable for humility and the rigor of penance, founded two cells where only twelve brothers lived as solitaires.
10. At Vercelli in the Subalpines, **blessed Amadeus**, ninth duke of Savoy, who, holding authority, zealously promoted peace and continually supported the causes of the poor, widows, and orphans.
11. In the village of *Su-Ryong* in Korea, the holy martyrs **Anthony Daveluy, bishop, Peter Aumaitre, Martin Luc Huin, priests, Joseph Chang Chu-gi, Thomas Son Cha-son, and Luc Hwang Sok-tu, catechists**, who were beheaded for the faith of Christ.
12. At Naples in Italy, **blessed Louis of Casoria (Archangel Palmentieri), priest** of the Order of Friars Minor, who, compelled by the ardor of charity toward the poor of Christ, established two Congregations: namely, *the Brothers of Charity and the Franciscan Sisters of Saint Elizabeth*.
13. At Turin also in Italy, **Saint Leonard Murialdo, priest**, who founded the pious *Society of Saint Joseph*, so that abandoned children might experience the Christian faith and charity.
14. In the village of San Julián in the territory of Guadalajara in Mexico, **Saint Julio Álvarez, priest and martyr**, who, during a violent religious persecution, bore witness to his fidelity to Christ the Lord and to His Church by the shedding of his blood.
15. At Vienna in Austria, **blessed Maria Restituta (Helena Kafka), virgin** of the Congregation of Franciscan Sisters of Christian Charity **and martyr**, born in

Moravia, who, being a nurse, during the raging war, was captured by the enemies of the faith and beheaded.

March 31st

This Day, the Thirty-first Day of March

1. In the place *Argol* in Persia, **Saint Benjamin, deacon**, who, because he did not cease to preach the word of God, under King Varanes the Fifth, having sharp reeds driven under his nails, completed his martyrdom.
2. At Rome, the commemoration of **Saint Balbina**, whose titular church, founded on the Aventine, offers her name for veneration.
3. At Cologne in Austrasia, **Saint Agilulf, bishop**, distinguished for holiness of life and preaching.
4. At Borgo San Donnino in the countryside of Parma, **Saint Guido, abbot** of the monastery of Pomposa, who, having received many disciples and rebuilt the buildings, took greatest care for prayer, contemplation, and divine worship, and wished to be intent on God alone in seclusion.
5. At Toulouse in France, **blessed Joan, virgin** of the Order of Carmelites.

6. At Udine in Venetia, **blessed Bonaventure of Forlì, priest** of the Order of the Servants of Mary, who, through various regions of Italy, stirred the people to penance by his preaching and, while he was giving Lenten sermons, died there as an octogenarian.

7. At Carlisle in England, the commemoration of **blessed Christopher Robinson, priest and martyr**, who was a witness of the martyrdom of Saint John Boste, and at length under Queen Elizabeth the First, likewise because of the priesthood alone, on an undisclosed day, was led to the gallows and himself received the palm of glory.

8. In the town of Ravensbrück in Germany, **blessed Natalia Tulasiewicz, martyr**, who, with her native Poland subjected by military force, was imprisoned in a detention camp by followers of a nefarious doctrine hostile to human dignity and the faith, and gave up her soul to the Lord through the punishment of death by asphyxiating steam.



“Scio opera tua ... quia modicum habes virtutem, et servasti verbum Meum, nec non negasti Nomen Meum”
(Apocalypsis 3.8)

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Semen est sanguis Christianorum (The blood of Christians is the seed of the Church)

Tertullian, *Apologeticum*, 50

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This Day, the First Day of January

1. At Rome, the commemoration of **the holy martyrs Venantius, bishop, and companions** of Dalmatia and Istria—namely, **Anastasius, Maurus, Paulinianus, Telius, Asterius, Septimius, Antiochianus, and Gaianus**—whom the Church honors with common praise.
2. At Thessalonica in Macedonia, **Saints Agape and Chionia, virgins and martyrs**, who, when in the persecution of the emperor Diocletian they refused to eat food sacrificed to idols, were handed over to the governor Dulcetius and condemned to the fire.
3. In Palestine, **Saint Mary of Egypt**, who, once a notorious sinner in Alexandria, was converted to God in the Holy City through the intercession of the blessed Virgin, and led a life of penance in solitude beyond the Jordan.
4. At Laucon near Amiens in France, **Saint Valery, priest**, who attracted not a

few companions to the eremitical life.

5. In the place Ardpatrik in Munster, a province of Ireland, **Saint Celsus, bishop** of Armagh, who greatly advanced the restoration of the Church.

6. At Grenoble in Burgundy, **Saint Hugh, bishop**, who labored for the reform of the morals of the clergy and people and, during the same episcopate, fervently loving solitude, granted Saint Bruno, once his teacher, and his companions the retreat of the Charterhouse, over which he presided as first abbot, and he governed this Church for nearly fifty years by his tireless example of charity.

7. In the Cistercian monastery of Bonnevaux in the Dauphiné of France, **blessed Hugh, abbot**, whose charity and prudence reconciled Pope Alexander the Third and Emperor Frederick the First.

8. At Caithness in Scotland, **Saint Gilbert, bishop**, who built the cathedral church at Dornoch and prepared hospices for the poor; dying, he commended what he himself had observed in life, namely: to harm no one, to bear divine scourges patiently, and to be a stumbling block to no one.

9. At York in England, **blessed John Bretton, martyr**, who, a **father of a family**, for his constancy in the faith of the Roman Church under Queen Elizabeth the First, was several times denounced and, finally falsely accused of sedition, was hanged and died.

10. At Brescia in Lombardy of Italy, **blessed Ludovico Pavoni, priest**, who dedicated himself with great diligence to the instruction of the poorest youths, especially taking care to educate them according to Christian morals and to guide them in the arts, and he founded the Congregation of the Sons of Mary Immaculate.

April 2nd

This Day, the Second Day of April

Saint Francis of Paola, hermit, who, founder of the Order of Minims in Calabria, prescribed to his disciples that they live by alms, having nothing of their own and touching no money, and always use only Lenten foods. Summoned into France by King Louis the Eleventh, he was present at his death and died at Plessis near Tours, renowned for the austerity of his life.

2. At Caesarea in Palestine, **Saint Apphian, martyr**, who, under the emperor Maximinus, when the inhabitants were being forced to publicly sacrifice to the gods, fearlessly approached the governor Urban and, seizing his right hand, forced him to suspend the rite, for which reason he, with his feet wrapped in linen dipped in oil and set on fire, while still breathing was cast by the soldiers into the sea.

3. In the same place, the passion of **Saint Theodora, virgin** of Tyre, who, in the same persecution, when she had publicly greeted the holy confessors of the faith as they stood before the tribunal and had asked them to remember her when they came to the Lord, was arrested by the soldiers and led to the same governor, and by his order was tortured with harsh torments and at last cast into the sea.

4. At Como in Liguria, **Saint Abundius, bishop**, who, sent to Constantinople by Saint Leo the Great, pope, zealously defended the orthodox faith there.

5. At Capua in Campania, **Saint Victor, bishop**, distinguished for his learning and holiness.

6. At Lyon in France, **Saint Nicetius, bishop**, who was prompt in care for the

poor and kindly toward the simple, and ordered this Church to maintain a rule of psalmody.

7. In the monastery of Luxeuil in Burgundy, **Saint Eustace, abbot**, disciple of Saint Columbanus, who was the father of nearly six hundred monks.

8. At Chelmsford in England, **Saint John Paine, priest and martyr**, who under Queen Elizabeth the First suffered the punishment of the gallows on account of a false charge of treason.

9. In the town of Tumon on the island of Guam in Oceania, **the blessed martyrs Diego Luis de San Vitores, priest** of the Society of Jesus, **and Peter Calungsod, catechist**, who were cruelly killed out of hatred for the Christian faith by apostates and some natives following pagan superstition, and were thrown into the sea.

10. At Spoleto in Umbria, **blessed Leopold of Gaiche, priest** of the Order of Friars Minor, who established sacred retreats on Mount Luco.

11. In the village of Xương Điền in Tonkin, **Saint Dominic Tuoc, priest** of the Order of Preachers and martyr under the emperor Minh Mạng.

12. At Padua in Venetia, **blessed Elisabetta Vendramini, virgin**, who devoted her life to the poor and, after overcoming many adversities, founded the Institute of the Sisters of Saint Elizabeth from the Third Order of Saint Francis.

13. At Vic in Catalonia, Spain, **blessed Francis Coll, priest** of the Order of Preachers, who, although unjustly expelled from the cloister, nonetheless steadfastly pursued his vocation and proclaimed the name of the Lord Jesus Christ throughout the whole region.

14. At Győr in Hungary, **blessed Vilmos Apor, bishop and martyr**, who, while war was raging, opened his house to about three hundred refugees and, having been struck with blows in the evening of Good Friday while defending certain young women from the hands of soldiers, gave up his soul three days later.

15. At Lviv in Ukraine, **blessed Nicholas Carneckyj, bishop**, who, during a time of persecution against the faith, carrying out the ministry of apostolic exarch of Volyn and Pidljashja, faithfully adhering as a shepherd to the footsteps of Christ, through His grace reached the heavenly kingdoms.

16. At Maracay in Venezuela, **blessed Mary of Saint Joseph (Laura) Alvarado, virgin**, who founded the Augustinian Recollect Sisters of the Sacred Heart, and was constantly solicitous with greatest charity for girls orphaned of their parents, for the elderly, and for the poor abandoned.

April 3rd

This Day, the Third Day of April

1. At Rome, **Saint Sixtus the First, pope**, who, in the times of the emperor Hadrian, sixth after the blessed Peter, governed the Roman Church.

2. At Tomi in Scythia, **the holy martyrs Chrestus and Pappus**.

3. At Tyre in Phoenicia, **Saint Ulpian, martyr**, who, a young man, while the persecution of the Caesar Maximinus Daza was raging, sewn up in a sack with a viper and a dog, was cast into the sea and fulfilled his martyrdom.

4. At Naples in Campania, **Saint John, bishop**, who, on the holy night of Easter, while he was celebrating the sacred mysteries, died, and with a crowd of the faithful and of neophytes accompanying, was buried on the day of the solemnity of the Resurrection of the Lord.

5. In the monastery of Medicius in Bithynia, **Saint Nicetas, abbot**, who, for the defense of sacred Images, under the emperor Leo the Armenian, suffered imprisonment and exile.

6. At Constantinople, **Saint Joseph**, surnamed the Hymnographer, **priest**, who, being a monk, while those destroying the sacred Images were raging, was sent to Rome to seek the protection of the Apostolic See and, afflicted thereafter by many hardships, at length took up the charge of the sacred vessels of the church of Saint Sophia.

7. At Chichester in England, **Saint Richard, bishop**, who, afflicted with exile by King Henry the Third, later restored to his see, showed himself generous in giving to the poor.

8. At Polizzi in Sicily, **blessed Gandulf of Binasco Sacchi, priest** of the Order of Minors, who led a strict manner of life in solitude, traversing the neighboring areas by preaching the word of God.

9. At Penne in Piceno of Italy, **blessed John, priest**, who, from the first companions of Saint Francis, was sent to Narbonese France, and propagated the evangelical form of life.

10. At Lancaster in England, the **blessed Robert Middleton**, of the Society of Jesus, **and Thurstan Hunt, priests and martyrs**, of whom the latter, having tried to free the former on a journey, was himself captured; for which reason, under Queen Elizabeth the First, both condemned to death for the priesthood, through torments came to the right hand of Christ.

11. At Udine in Venetia, **Saint Aloysius Scrosoppi, priest** of the Congregation of the Oratory, who founded *the Congregation of Sisters of Divine Providence* for the formation of girls in the Christian spirit.

12. Near Kraków in Poland, in the extermination camp of *Oświęcim*, or *Auschwitz*, **blessed Peter Edward Dankowski, priest and martyr**, who, when his homeland had been reduced under foreign military rule, and given to prison for the confession of the Christian faith, by subjection to torture fulfilled his martyrdom.

April 4th

This Day, the Fourth Day of April

Saint Isidore, **bishop and doctor of the Church**, who, a disciple of his brother Leander, succeeded him in the see of Seville in Baetican Spain, wrote many things learnedly, gathered and governed several councils, and wisely devoted himself to the zeal of the Catholic faith and the observance of ecclesiastical discipline.

2. At Thessalonica in Macedonia, **the holy martyrs Agathopodus, deacon, and Theodulus, lector**, who, under the emperor Maximian, by order of the governor Faustinus, on account of their confession of the Christian faith, with a stone tied to the neck, were drowned in the sea.

3. At Milan in Liguria, **the burial of Saint Ambrose, bishop**, who on Holy Saturday met Christ, the conqueror of death. But his commemoration is celebrated on the day of his ordination, the seventh of December.

4. At Constantinople, **Saint Platon, abbot**, who for many years with unconquered spirit fought against the destroyers of sacred Images and, together with Theodosius his nephew, established the celebrated Studite monastery.
5. At Poitiers in Aquitaine, **Saint Peter, bishop**, who fostered the beginnings of the Order of Fontevraud and, unjustly removed from his see, died in exile at Chauvigny.
6. At Scillium in Sicily, **blessed William Cuffitelli, hermit**, who, having left behind the pleasures of the hunt, spent fifty-seven years in solitude and poverty.
7. At Palermo in Sicily of Italy, **Saint Benedict the Moor**, surnamed “the Black” on account of the color of his body, who, first a **hermit**, then a **religious** in the Order of Friars Minor, showed himself humble in all things and always full of faith in divine Providence.
8. Likewise at Catania in Sicily, **blessed Joseph Benedict Dusmet, bishop**, from the Order of Saint Benedict, who zealously promoted divine worship, the Christian formation of the people, and the zeal of the clergy, and in a time of plague brought aid to the sick.
9. At a place called Aljustrel near Fatima in Portugal, **blessed Francisco Marto**, who, still a boy, consumed by a brief illness, stood out for the sweetness of his character, perseverance in sufferings and in faith, and also for constancy in prayer.
10. At Reggio Calabria in Italy, of **blessed Gaetano Catanoso, priest**, who founded *the Congregation of the Sisters Veronicas of the Holy Face* for the sake of the poor and the forsaken.

April 5th

This Day, the Fifth Day of April

Saint Vincent Ferrer, priest of the Order of Preachers, who, Spanish by race, did not cease to traverse the regions of the West through cities and roads, concerned for the peace and unity of the Church, preaching to countless peoples the Gospel of repentance and the coming of the Lord, until he gave back his spirit to God at Vannes in Brittany of France.

2. At Thessalonica in Macedonia, **Saint Irene, virgin and martyr**, who, because she had hidden the sacred books against the edict of Diocletian, was led to a public brothel, then burned with fire by the order of the governor Dulcetius, under whom also her sisters Agape and Chionia had previously suffered.

3. At Seleucia in Persia, **Saint Pherbutha, widow**, who, the sister of Saint Simeon the bishop, with her handmaid fulfilled **martyrdom** under King Shapur the Second.

4. Likewise, **the commemoration of one hundred and eleven men and nine women, martyrs**, who, gathered from various places into royal cities, when they had firmly refused to deny Christ and to worship fire, were cast into the fire by order of the same king.

5. At Regia in Mauretania, **the passion of holy martyrs**, who, in the persecution of King Genseric the Arian, were killed in the church on the day of Easter; of whom the lector, while he was singing “Alleluia” in the pulpit, was pierced through the throat with an arrow.
6. In the monastery of Grande-Sauve in Aquitaine, **Saint Gerald, abbot**, who, from the monastery of Corbie having been chosen as abbot of Laon, after holy pilgrimages withdrew into a dense forest.
7. At Monte Corvino in Apulia, **Saint Albert, bishop**, who devoted his whole life continuously to prayer to God and to the common good of the poor.
8. At Fosses in Brabant, **Saint Juliana, virgin** of the Order of Saint Augustine, who, formerly prioress of Mount Cornelius near Liège, strengthened by divine and human counsel, promoted the solemnity of the Body of Christ and led a reclusive life.
9. At Palma on the island of Majorca in Spain, **Saint Catherine Thomas, virgin**, who, having entered the Order of Canonesses Regular of Saint Augustine, stood out in contempt of self and denial of will.
10. At Kaufbeuren on the river Iller in Bavaria, **Saint Mary Crescentia (Anna) Höss, virgin**, who, a member of the Third Order of Saint Francis, strove to share with others the fervor of the Holy Spirit, with which she herself was burning.
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April 6th

This Day, the Sixth Day of April

1. At Sirmium in Pannonia, **the passion of Saint Irenaeus, bishop and martyr**, who, in the time of the emperor Maximian, was first tormented under the governor Probus, then tortured for many days in prison, and at last was completed by beheading.

2. At Constantinople, **Saint Eutychius, bishop**, who presided over the Second Ecumenical Council of Constantinople, where he fought bravely for the orthodox faith; and, after he had suffered long exile, dying, he professed the resurrection of the flesh.

3. At Rome, **Saint Galla**, who, daughter of the consul Symmachus, after the death of her husband, remained for many years at the church of Saint Peter devoted to prayer, almsgiving, fasting, and other holy works; whose most blessed passing was described by Pope Saint Gregory the Great.

4. At Troyes in Neustria, **Saint Winebald, abbot** of the monastery of Saint Lupus, remarkable for his austerity.

5. In the same place, **Saint Prudentius, bishop**, who composed a breviary of the Psalter for travelers, collected precepts drawn from the Scriptures for candidates to the priesthood, and restored the discipline of monasteries.

6. At Velehrad in Moravia, **the birth into heaven of Saint Methodius, bishop**, who is celebrated together with his brother Saint Cyril on the fourteenth day of February.

7. In the monastery of Saint Gall in Swabia of Germany, **blessed Notker Balbulus, monk**, who passed nearly his whole life in this monastery, composing many sequences, frail in body but not in mind, stammering in voice but not in spirit, elevated in the divine things, patient in adversities, gentle toward all, diligent in praying, reading, meditating, and dictating.

8. In the monastery of Saint Elias of Aulinas near Palma in Calabria, **Saint Philaretus, monk**, greatly devoted to prayer.

9. On the island of Eschylø near Roskilde in Denmark, **Saint William, abbot**, who, called from the monastery of canons regular in Paris into Denmark, restored regular discipline not without labors and difficulties, and at the dawning of Easter Sunday departed from life.

10. At Milan in Lombardy, **the passion of Saint Peter of Verona, priest** of the Order of Preachers and martyr, who, born of parents followers of the Manicheans, embraced the Catholic faith while still a boy, and as a youth received the habit from Saint Dominic himself, devoting all labor to defeating heresies, until, on a journey to Como, he was killed by enemies, at the final moment confessing the symbol of faith.

11. In the monastery of Saint Mary at the Sacred Mountain above Varese in Lombardy, **blessed Catherine of Pallanza, virgin**, who, with companions, led a hermit's life under the Rule of Saint Augustine.

12. In the city of *Vĩnh Tri* in Tonkin, **Saint Paul Lê Bảo Tịnh, priest and martyr**, who, still a cleric, was held in prison for a long time for the faith, and, having been raised to the priesthood, directed a seminary and composed a book of homilies and a compendium of Christian doctrine; finally, again brought to judgment, under the emperor Tự Đức, was condemned to beheading.

13. At Verona in Italy, **blessed Zephyrinus Agostini, priest**, who dedicated himself to the ministry of preaching, catechesis, and Christian education, and in every way provided works for youth, the poor, and the sick, for whom also he founded *the Congregation of the Ursuline Daughters of Mary Immaculate*.

14. At Turin in Italy, **blessed Michael Rua, priest**, eminent promoter of the Society of Saint Francis de Sales.

15. In the town of *Fiobbio di Albino* near Bergamo in Italy, **blessed Pierina Morosini, virgin and martyr**, who, twenty-six years old, returning home from the workshop where she worked, fell slain in defense of the virginity she had vowed to God, when assaulted by a young man.

April 7th

This Day, the Seventh Day of April

Saint John Baptist de La Salle, priest, who at Rouen in Normandy of France greatly labored for the human and Christian education of boys, especially the poor, founding *the Congregation of the Brothers of the Christian Schools*, for which he endured many tribulations, being outstandingly deserving of the people of God.

2. The **commemoration of Saint Hegesippus**, who lived at Rome from Pope Anicetus to Eleutherius, and composed a history of ecclesiastical affairs from the Passion of the Lord to his own time in simple language.

3. At Alexandria in Egypt, **Saint Pelusius, priest and martyr.**

4. In the Pentapolis of Libya, **the holy martyrs Theodore, bishop, Irenaeus, deacon, Serapion, and Ammonius, lectors.**

5. At Pompeiopolis in Cilicia, **Saint Calliopius, martyr.**

6. At Sinope in Pontus, **two hundred soldier-martyrs.**

7. At Mytilene on the island of Lesbos, **Saint George, bishop**, who suffered many things under the emperor Leo the Armenian for the veneration of holy images.

8. At the monastery of Crispines in Hainaut, **Saint Albert, priest and monk**, who daily in solitude, either kneeling or prostrate, recited the entire Psalter, and to penitents flocking to him he dispensed divine mercy.

9. In the Premonstratensian monastery of Steinfeld in Germany, **Saint Hermann Joseph, priest**, who shone with the most tender love toward the Virgin Mary and celebrated devotion to the divine Heart of Jesus with hymns and praises.

10. At York in England, **Saint Henry Walpole**, of the Society of Jesus, **and blessed Alexander Rawlins, priests and martyrs**, who, under Queen Elizabeth the First, imprisoned and cruelly afflicted because of the priesthood, were at length led to the gallows and by rope and iron attained the eternal crown.

11. Also, at Worcester in England, **the blessed martyrs Edward Oldcorne, priest, and Ralph Ashley, religious** of the Society of Jesus, who for many years secretly exercised the ministry, until, falsely accused of having conspired against King James the First, they were thrown into prison, tortured, and finally while still breathing were cruelly dismembered.

12. In Cochinchina, **Saint Peter Nguyễn Văn Lữ, priest and martyr**, who, condemned to death under the emperor Tự Đức, died joyfully on the gibbet.

13. In the place *Dongerkou* in China, **blessed Mary Assunta Pallotta, virgin** of the Franciscan Missionary Sisters of Mary, who, engaged in humble tasks, lived a simple and unknown life for the kingdom of Christ.

April 8th

This Day, the Eighth Day of April

1. Commemoration of Saint Agabus, prophet, who, as the Acts of the Apostles attest, through the Spirit foretold that there would be a great famine in the whole world and also of the sufferings of Paul at the hands of the Gentiles.

2. Also, the commemoration of the holy Herodion, Asyncritus, and Phlegon, whom blessed Paul the Apostle greets in the Epistle to the Romans.

3. Likewise, Saint Dionysius, bishop of Corinth, who, endowed with wondrous knowledge of the word of God, instructed not only the faithful of his own city and province through preaching, but also the bishops of other cities and provinces through letters.

4. At Antioch in Syria, the holy martyrs Timothy, Diogenes, Macarius, and Maximus.

5. At Alexandria in Egypt, Saint Dionysius, bishop, a man of highest learning, who, renowned for many confessions of faith and glorious by the diversity of sufferings and torments, full of days as a confessor of the faith, fell asleep in the times of the emperors Valerian and Gallienus.

6. At Como in Liguria, Saint Amantius, bishop, who was the third to sit on the chair of this Church and built the basilica of the Apostles.

7. At Orvieto in Tuscany, blessed Clement of Osimo, priest of the Order of Hermits of Saint Augustine, who effectively governed and promoted the Order and wisely adapted its constitutions.

8. At Alcalá in Spain, blessed Julian of Saint Augustine, religious of the Order of Discalced Friars Minor, who, considered insane because of his excessive

practice of penance and repeatedly rejected from religious life, preached Christ more by the example of virtues than by words.

9. At Namur on the Meuse in Brabant, **Saint Julie Billiart, virgin**, who founded *the Institute of Saint Mary* for the education of girls and greatly propagated devotion to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus.

10. At Alassio near Albenga in Liguria of Italy, **blessed Augustus Czartoryski, priest** of the Salesian Society, whose weak health did not prevent him from firmly pursuing the call of God and receiving great gifts of holiness.

11. In the monastery of El Buen Monte near Cuenca in Spain, **blessed Dominic of the Most Holy Sacrament Iturrate, priest** of the Order of the Most Holy Trinity, who strove with all his strength to promote the salvation of souls and the glory of the Trinity.

April 9th

This Day, the Ninth Day of April

1. At Alexandria in Egypt, **Saint Maximus, bishop**, who, while he was a presbyter, joined exile and confession of the faith with Saint Dionysius the bishop, whom he later succeeded.

2. In the same place, **Saint Aedesius, martyr**, who, brother of Saint Apphian, under the emperor Maximinus, when he had publicly accused the judge of having handed over virgins consecrated to a goddess to brothel-keepers, was therefore

seized by soldiers, afflicted with torments, and for Christ the Lord was plunged into the sea.

3. At Sirmium in Pannonia, **Saint Demetrius, martyr**, who is honored with pious veneration throughout the East, especially at Thessalonica.

4. At Caesarea in Cappadocia, **Saint Eupychius, martyr**, who, on account of the destruction of the temple of the goddess Fortune, completed martyrdom under the emperor Julian the Apostate.

5. At Le Mans in Lyon France, **Saint Liberius, bishop**.

6. At Amida in Mesopotamia, **Saint Acacius, bishop**, who, to ransom Persian captives, and the clergy from dreadful tortures, even melted them down and sold the sacred vessels of the Church to the Romans.

7. At Castriloci in Hannonia Neustria, **Saint Waldetrudis**, who, sister of Saint Aldegundis, wife of Saint Vincent Madelgarius, and mother of four saints, imitating her husband, vowed herself to God and received the monastic habit in a monastery founded by herself.

8. At Jumièges also in Neustria, **Saint Hugh, bishop of Rouen**, who governed the monastery of Fontenelle and the churches of Paris and Bayeux at the same time, and finally, these offices set aside, presided over the monastery of Jumièges.

9. In the place called Saint Vincent near Briviesca in Castile of Spain, **Saint Casilda, virgin**, who, born in the Mohammedan religion, mercifully aided Christians held in prison, and afterward led a Christian life in the desert.

10. At Aureil in the region of Limoges in France, **Saint Gaucherius**, who, a **regular canon**, was an example of communal life and zeal for souls to the clergy.

11. At Mount Senario in Etruria, **blessed Ubald of Borgo San Sepolcro**, **priest** of the Order of the Servants of Mary, who, converted from military life to the service of Mary by Saint Philip Benizi, became her servant.

12. At Thane in East India, **blessed Thomas of Tolentino**, **priest** of the Order of Friars Minor and martyr, who, having journeyed as far as the empire of China to proclaim the Gospel, while traveling to the Tartars and Indians, crowned his mission with a glorious martyrdom.

13. At Bricherasio near Pinerolo in the Subalpine region, **blessed Anthony Pavoni**, **priest** of the Order of Preachers **and martyr**, who, as he was leaving the church where he had just preached against errors, was cruelly slaughtered.

14. In the death camp of *Oswiecim*, that is, *Auschwitz*, near Krakow in Poland, **blessed Celestina Faron**, **virgin** of the Congregation of the Handmaids of the Immaculate Conception and martyr, who, after Poland was occupied in wartime under military rule, was cast into prison on account of the faith of Christ, and worn out by torments attained the glorious crown.

April 10th

This Day, the Tenth Day of April

1. In Africa, **the holy Terentius, Africanus, Maximus, Pompeius, Alexander, Theodorus, and forty companions, martyrs**, who under the emperor Decius died for the Christian faith.
2. At Alexandria in Egypt, **Saint Apollonius, priest and martyr**.
3. At Auxerre in Neustria, **Saint Palladius, bishop**, who, formerly abbot of the monastery of Saint Germain, after receiving the episcopate, was present at many councils and devoted himself to restoring ecclesiastical discipline.
4. At Gavello in Venetia, **Saint Peter the Younger, monk**, who, after forty-five years spent in the service of kings, chose to serve the Lord for the remainder of his life in a monastery.
5. At Ghent in Flanders, **Saint Macarius, pilgrim**, who, kindly received among the monks of Saint Bavo, was consumed by pestilence the following year.
6. At Chartres in France, **Saint Fulbert, bishop**, whose teaching nourished many, who began the building of the cathedral church with generosity and diligence, and who promoted devotion to the Virgin Mary, Queen of Mercy.
7. At Tunis on the northern coast of Africa, **blessed Anthony Neyrot, priest** of the Order of Preachers **and martyr**, who, having been forcibly taken to Africa by pirates, became an apostate, but with the help of divine grace, on Holy Thursday publicly resumed the religious habit, a deed for which he was stoned to death.
8. At Piacenza in Emilia, **blessed Mark of Bologna Fantuzzi, priest** of the Order of Friars Minor, distinguished for piety, prudence, and preaching.

9. At Valladolid in Spain, **Saint Michael of the Saints, priest** of the Order of the Most Holy Trinity, who devoted himself entirely to works of charity and the preaching of the word of God.

10. At Verona in Venetia, **Saint Magdalene of Canossa, virgin**, who voluntarily cast aside all the wealth of her inheritance to follow Christ, and *founded a double Institute — one of Daughters, the other of Sons of Charity* — for the fostering of Christian education of children.

11. In the detention camp of Dachau near Munich in Bavaria in Germany, **blessed Boniface Zukowski, priest** of the Order of Conventual Friars Minor **and martyr**, who, during the raging storm of war, broken by torments for the faith, completed martyrdom in prison.

April 11th

This Day, the Eleventh Day of April

Memorial of **Saint Stanislaus, bishop and martyr**, who, amid the injuries of his own time, was a most steadfast defender of humanity and Christian morals; as a good shepherd he governed the Church of Kraków, helped the poor, visited the clerics yearly, and finally, while he was celebrating the divine mysteries, was killed by King Boleslaus of Poland, whom he had rebuked.

2. At Pergamum in Asia, **the commemoration of Saint Antipas**, who, a faithful witness, as blessed John says in the Apocalypse, completed martyrdom for the name of Jesus.

3. Likewise, the **commemoration of Saint Philip, bishop** of Gortyna on the island of Crete, who, in the times of the emperors Marcus Antoninus Verus and Lucius Aurelius Commodus, bravely protected the Church entrusted to him both from the fury of the gentiles and from the snares of heretics.
4. At Salona in Dalmatia, **Saint Domnio, bishop and martyr**, who is said to have been killed in the persecution of the emperor Diocletian.
5. At Gaza in Palestine, **Saint Barsanuphius, anchorite**, who, Egyptian by race, was endowed with singular strength of contemplation and was outstanding in the integrity of life.
6. At Spoleto in Umbria, **Saint Isaac, monk**, born in the regions of Syria and founder of the monastery of Mount Luco, whose virtues pope Saint Gregory the Great commemorates.
7. In Calabria, **blessed Lanvinus**, who, companion and successor of Saint Bruno, was an outstanding interpreter of the founder's spirit in establishing monasteries of the Carthusian Order.
8. At Coimbra in Lusitania, **blessed Sancha, virgin**, who, daughter of King Sancho the First, founded the monastery of Cistercian nuns at Celas and there took up the religious habit.
9. At Cuneo in the Subalpine region, **blessed Angelus of Clavasio (Antonius Carletti), priest** of the Order of Friars Minor, distinguished for his doctrine, prudence, and charity.

10. At London in England, **blessed George Gervase, priest** of the Order of Saint Benedict **and martyr**, who, an alumnus of the English College of Douai, although twice arrested in his homeland during the time of his pastoral ministry under King James the First, nevertheless steadfastly professed the Catholic faith even to the gallows.

11. At Lucca in Italy, **Saint Gemma Galgani, virgin**, who, remarkable for her contemplation of the Lord's Passion and for the sufferings patiently endured, at the age of twenty-five completed an angelic life on Holy Saturday.

12. In the same place, **blessed Elena Guerra, virgin**, who founded *the Congregation of the Oblate Sisters of the Holy Spirit* for the education of girls and wonderfully instructed the faithful on the cooperation of the Spirit in the economy of salvation.

13. In the place of execution *Oswiecim* or *Auschwitz* near Kraków in Poland, **blessed Symphorian Ducki, religious** of the Order of Friars Minor Capuchin **and martyr**, who, during the raging war, was arrested for his faithfulness to Christ and completed martyrdom through torture.

April 12th

This Day, the Twelfth Day of April

1. At Firmum in Picenum of Italy, **Saint Vissia, virgin and martyr**.

2. At Rome, in the cemetery of Calepodius on the Via Aurelia at the third milestone, **the deposition of Saint Julius, Pope**, who, while the Arians were

raging, steadfastly preserved the Nicene faith, defended Athanasius who had been rebuked and exiled, received him, and arranged for the Council of Sardica to be convened.

3. At Verona in Venetia, **Saint Zeno, bishop**, through whose labor and preaching the city was led to the baptism of Christ.

4. In Cappadocia, **Saint Sabbas the Goth, martyr**, who, when Athanaric, king of the Goths, was persecuting Christians, three days after the celebration of Easter, having refused food sacrificed to idols, after cruel tortures was thrown into a river.

5. At Vapincum in the Province of France, **Saint Constantine, bishop**.

6. At Pavia in Lombardy, **Saint Damian, bishop**, whose letter concerning the right faith about the will and operation in Christ was read at the Third Council of Constantinople.

7. At Parion in the Hellespont, **Saint Basil, bishop**, who suffered beatings, chains, and exile on account of the veneration of sacred Images.

8. In the region of Ponthieu of France, **Saint Erkembodonus, abbot** of Sithiu and also **bishop** of Thérouanne.

9. In the monastery of Cava in Campania, **Saint Alferius**, founder and first **abbot**, who, formerly counselor to Guaimar, duke of Salerno, became a disciple of Saint Odilo of Cluny and suitably learned the observance of monastic life.

10. In the monastery of Belém near Lisbon in Lusitania, **blessed Lawrence, priest** of the Order of Saint Jerome, to whom, on account of his exceptional piety, many penitents came for confession.

11. In the city of Los Andes in Chile, **Saint Teresa of Jesus (Joan) Fernandez Solar, virgin**, who, a novice in the Order of Discalced Carmelites, consecrated her life to God, as she said, for the sinful world, and, having contracted typhus, died in the twentieth year of her age.

12. At Naples in Italy, **Saint Joseph Moscati**, who, as a **physician**, never ceased to offer daily and tireless service by attending to the sick, never demanding payment from the poor, and while healing their bodies, he lovingly cared for their souls as well.

13. In the village of Saint Joseph in the territory of Chilpancingo in Mexico, **Saint David Uribe, priest and martyr**, who, in times of persecution against the Church, suffered martyrdom for Christ the King.

April 13th

This Day, the Thirteenth Day of April

Saint Martin, Pope the First, martyr, who condemned the heresy of the Monothelites at the Lateran Synod; then, by order of the emperor Constans the Second, was violently seized in the Lateran basilica by the exarch Calliopas and taken from his see and brought to Constantinople, where he lay in prison under very strict custody; finally

exiled to Cherson, where, after about two years, he attained the end of his sufferings and the eternal crown.

2. At Pergamum in Asia, **the holy martyrs Carpus, bishop** of Thyatira, **Papylus, deacon, Agathonice, sister of the same Papylus, and many others**, who, having confessed the blessed truths, were crowned with martyrdom.

3. At Ravenna in Flaminia, **Saint Ursus, bishop**, who transferred the episcopal see from Classis into the city, dedicated the cathedral church under the title of the Holy Resurrection on Easter Day, and on the same day of a subsequent year passed to the glory of the Resurrection.

4. At Tarragona in Spain, **Saint Hermenegild, martyr**, who, the son of Leovigild, king of the Visigoths and an Arian, was converted to the Catholic faith by Saint Leander the bishop; and, having dissented from his father's rule, was thrown into prison because he refused to receive Communion on the day of Easter from an Arian bishop; by order of his own father, he was struck down with an axe and died.

5. In the monastery of Saint Mary of Capella near Vasto in the district of Boulogne in France, **blessed Ida, who, widow** of Eustace, count of Boulogne, shone with generosity toward the poor and zeal for the beauty of the House of God.

6. At Menevia in Wales, **Saint Caradoc, priest and hermit**, who left the royal court, where he played the harp, when he saw that dogs were loved there more than men, and learned to serve God under Abbot Teliavus.

7. In the Cistercian monastery of Val-de-Roses in Brabant, **blessed Ida, virgin**, who suffered much from her father before entering religious life and, by the austerity of her life, imitated Christ suffering in her body.

8. In the monastery of Fonte Avellana in Umbria, **blessed Albertinus, hermit and prior** of the group of hermits, who preferred solitude to honors and strove to reconcile cities warring among themselves.

9. At Tifernum Tiberinum in Umbria, **blessed Margaret, virgin** of the Sisters of Penance of Saint Dominic, who, born Greek, deformed and despised, always trusted in the name of Jesus with her heart.

10. At Rochester in England, the **blessed Francis Dickenson and Miles Gerard, priests and martyrs**, who, having returned to their homeland from the English College at Reims to secretly exercise the priestly ministry there, were hanged together under Queen Elizabeth the First and afflicted with other atrocious tortures.

11. Likewise at York in England, the **blessed John Lockwood and Edward Catherick, priests and martyrs** under King Charles the First, of whom the former, eighty-seven years old and already twice escaped from the sentence of death because of the priesthood, wished to precede his younger and struggling companion to the gallows in order to encourage him to glorious martyrdom.

12. On the island of Réunion in the Indian Ocean, **blessed Scubilion (John Bernard) Rousseau, religious** of the Institute of the Brothers of the Christian Schools, who tirelessly instructed children and brought aid to the poor and gave hope to slaves.

13. In the village of *Tototlán* in the jurisdiction of Guadalajara in Mexico, **Saint Sabas Reyes, priest and martyr**, who died for Christ the Priest and King of all in the Mexican persecution.

April 14th

This Day, the Fourteenth Day of April

- 1.** At Rome, in the cemetery of Praetextatus on the Via Appia, **the holy martyrs Tiburtius, Valerian, and Maximus.**
- 2.** At Antioch in Syria, **the holy martyrs Bernice and Prosdoce, virgins, with their mother Domnina,** who, in the time of persecution, to avoid the pursuers of their chastity, seeking safety in flight, finally found martyrdom in a river.
- 3.** In the desert of Nitria in Egypt, **Saint Fronto, abbot,** who with about seventy companions withdrew into the desert.
- 4.** At Elphin in Ireland, **Saint Asicus, bishop,** who is held to be the disciple of Saint Patrick and the first bishop of this Church.
- 5.** At Alexandria in Egypt, **Saint Thomais, martyr.**
- 6.** At Lyon in France, **Saint Lambert, bishop,** who was first a monk and afterwards abbot of Fontenelle.
- 7.** At Mount Marano in Campania, **Saint John, bishop,** who devoted effort and zeal to relieving the wretched and sanctifying the clergy.
- 8.** In the monastery of Tiron near Chartres in France, **Saint Bernard, abbot,** who again and again lived a hermit's life in the forests or on the island of Chausey, but also instructed the disciples who flocked to him in groups and led them to evangelical perfection.
- 9.** At Avignon in Provence, **Saint Benedict, a young shepherd,** by whose virtue, with the help of the Lord, a bridge over the Rhône was rebuilt for the great benefit of the citizens.

10. At Tui in Galicia of Spain, **blessed Peter Gonzalez, commonly called Telmo, priest** of the Order of Preachers, who, having become as humble as he had once been desirous of glory, devoted himself to helping the needy, especially sailors and fishermen.

11. At Schiedam in Gelderland, **Saint Lydwina, virgin**, who, for the conversion of sinners and the deliverance of souls, bore the infirmities of the body throughout her whole life patiently and with trust in God alone.

12. In the village of Cuevas de Vinromà near Castellón in Spain, **blessed Isabella Calduch Rovira, virgin** of the Order of Capuchin Poor Clares **and martyr**, who, in a time of persecution against the faith, died for Christ her Spouse.

April 15th

This Day, the Fifteenth Day of April

1. In Thrace, **the holy martyrs Theodore and Pausilypus**, who are said to have suffered under the emperor Hadrian.

2. At Myra in Lycia, **Saint Crescentius**, who completed his **martyrdom** by fire.

3. On Mount Aureus in Picenum of Italy, **Saint Maro, martyr**.

4. At Rome, near Saint Peter's, **the commemoration of Saint Abundius**, who, according to the testimony of Saint Gregory the Great, was a humble and faithful doorkeeper of that church.

5. At Séez in the district of Coutances in France, **the burial of Saint Paternus, bishop** of Avranches, who founded many monasteries and, elected to the episcopal see at the age of seventy, at last gave up his soul to God most gratefully in a monastery.

6. In the monastery of Andely in the district of Bayeux in Normandy, **Saint Ouen (Ortarius), abbot**, devoted to austerities and prayer, and constant in caring for the sick and aiding the poor.

7. At Avignon in Provence of France, **blessed César de Bus, priest**, who, having been converted from worldly life, devoted himself to preaching and catechesis and founded *the Congregation of the Fathers of Christian Doctrine*, which shines to the glory of God through the instruction of the faithful.

8. In the place *Kalawao* on the island of Molokai in Oceania, *blessed Damien de Veuster, priest* of the Congregation of the Missionaries of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary, who devoted himself to the care of lepers in such spirit that, in the end, having contracted leprosy himself, he died.

April 16th

This Day, the Sixteenth Day of April

1. At Corinth in Achaia, the holy martyrs Leonides and seven companions ¹, who all, after enduring various torments, were drowned in the sea.

2. At Caesaraugusta in Tarraconensian Spain, the commemoration of the saints Optatus and seventeen martyrs ², who, during the persecution of the emperor Diocletian, were afflicted together with chains and killed; whose illustrious martyrdom Prudentius adorned with verses.
3. In the same place, the commemoration of Saint Engratia, virgin and martyr, who, grievously tortured, survived all the torments, for some time bearing the marks of the blows on her limbs.
4. In the same place, the commemoration of the saints Caius and Crementius, who, in the same persecution, overcame tortures, persevering in the faith of Christ.
5. At Asturica Augusta in the kingdom of the Suevi, likewise in Spain, Saint Turibius, bishop, who, by mandate of Saint Leo the Great, pope, zealously endeavored to oppose the sect of the Priscillianists growing strong in Spain.
6. At Braga in Lusitania, Saint Fructuosus, bishop, who, first a monk and founder of monasteries, then bishop of Dumium, and finally made metropolitan bishop of Braga by the fathers of the Tenth Council of Toledo, prudently governed both this Church and the monasteries.
7. In Scotland, Saint Magnus, martyr, who, prince of the Orkney Islands, embraced the Christian faith and, rejected by the king of Norway on account of his refusals against the arrogance of his own people, when he had gone unarmed to establish peace with a hostile co-ruler, was treacherously slain.
8. At Sebourg in Hainaut, Saint Drogo, who, seeking a simple and solitary life, lived as a shepherd and pilgrim for the Lord and, enclosed in a small cell, ended his days.

9. At Broni near Pavia in Lombardy, the commemoration of Saint Contardus, pilgrim, who chose utmost poverty and, while traveling to Compostela, died after being afflicted by illness.

10. At Siena in Etruria, blessed Joachim, religious of the Order of the Servants of Mary, who stood out for singular devotion toward the blessed Virgin and, bearing the burdens of the needy, fulfilled the law of Christ.

11. At Rome, Saint Benedict Joseph Labre, who, from adolescence seized by a desire for a harsh life of penance, undertook arduous pilgrimages to the most celebrated sanctuaries and, content with only cheap and tattered clothing, subsisting on the alms offered, everywhere gave examples of piety and penance, and finally made Rome the goal of his journeys, where he lived in utter poverty and in prayer.

12. At Avrillé near Angers in France, the blessed martyrs Peter Delepine, John Menard, and twenty-four companions ³, who, almost all country folk, during the French upheaval were killed with lead out of hatred for the Christian faith.

13. At Nevers, also in France, Saint Mary Bernard Soubirous, virgin, who, born in the town of Lourdes from a very poor family, still a girl experienced the presence of the blessed Virgin Mary Immaculate and later, after taking the habit of religion, lived a hidden and humble life.

April 17th

This Day, the Seventeenth Day of April

1. At Melitene in Armenia, **the holy martyrs Peter, deacon, and Hermogenes**, his attendant.

2. In Persia, **the passion of Saint Simeon Bar Sabas, bishop of Seleucia and Ctesiphon**, who, by order of Sapor, Second King of the Persians, having been arrested and burdened with iron, because he refused to worship the sun and bore witness with free and most steadfast voice about the Lord Jesus Christ, was first worn down for some time in prison confinement with a crowd of more than one hundred companions from the episcopate, presbyterate, and various clerical orders; then, on Friday in the Passion of the Lord, when all were beheaded before the eyes of Simeon, who earnestly exhorted each of them, at last he himself was also beheaded.

3. **Likewise, many martyrs are commemorated**, who, after the death of Saint Simeon, throughout the entire region of Persia were ordered to be killed by the sword for the name of Christ under the same King Sapor; among whom was **Saint Usthazanes, a eunuch** of the royal court, who had been the tutor of King Sapor and, when the heat of persecution first raged, suffered martyrdom in the court of Artaxerxes, the brother of that same Sapor, in the province of Adiabene.

4. At Tortona in Liguria, **Saint Innocent, bishop**.

5. At Melitene in Armenia, **Saint Acacius, bishop**, who in the Council of Ephesus defended the orthodox faith against Nestorius, and afterward was unjustly deposed from his see.

6. At Vienne in Burgundy, **Saint Pantagathus, bishop**.

7. On the island of Eigg, among the Inner Hebrides facing Scotland, **the holy Donnan, abbot, and of fifty-two monk companions**, who, while celebrating the Paschal solemnities, were killed by pirates with fire or sword.
8. At Córdoba in the region of Vandalic Hispania, **the holy martyrs Elias, an aged priest, and Paul and Isidore, monks** still in youthful age, who were killed in the persecution by the Moors because of their profession of the Christian faith.
9. In the monastery of Casa Dei near Clermont in France, **Saint Robert, abbot**, who gathered brothers in that very place where he had lived as a solitary, and won for the Lord not a small multitude through the word of preaching and the example of his life.
10. In the monastery of Molesme in France, **Saint Robert, abbot**, who, seeking a more simple and stricter monastic life, already founder and tireless director of monasteries, as well as leader of hermits and outstanding restorer of monastic discipline, founded the Cistercian monastery and ruled it as first abbot, and rested in peace at Molesme, to which he had returned as abbot.
11. At Perugia in Umbria, **blessed James of Cerqueto, priest** from the Order of Hermits of Saint Augustine, who gave a joyful example of bearing illness.
12. At Pisa in Etruria, **blessed Clara Gambacorti**, who, having been widowed while still young, at the urging of Saint Catherine of Siena, founded there the first monastery of Saint Dominic under a stricter rule, and presided over the sisters with prudence and charity, pardoning the murderers of her father and brothers.
13. At Madrid in Spain, **blessed Maria Anna of Jesus Navarro de Guevara, virgin**, who, having overcome her father's objections, took the habit of the Order

of the blessed Virgin Mary of Mercy, and offered prayers and penances for the wretched and afflicted.

14. At London in England, **blessed Henry Heath, priest** from the Order of Friars Minor **and martyr**, under King Charles the First, handed over to the executioner at Tyburn solely on account of the priesthood.

15. At Sault in the province of Quebec in Canada, **blessed Catherine Tekakwitha, virgin**, who, born among the native Indians, was baptized on Easter Day, strove to preserve her virginity even before becoming Christian, offered it to God, though afflicted by threats and many harassments.

April 18th

This Day, the Eighteenth Day of April

1. At Melitene in Armenia, **the holy martyrs Hermogenes and Elpidius**.

2. In Persia, **Saint Pusicius, martyr**, who, being prefect of the artisans of King Sapor the Second, when he had strengthened the faltering priest Ananias, died with his throat pierced on Holy Saturday, attaining a distinguished place in the company of the martyrs slaughtered after Saint Simeon.

3. At Fano in Picenum of Italy, **Saint Eusebius, bishop**, who accompanied Saint Pope John the First, sent by King Theodoric to Constantinople, and followed him after his return, when he was thrown into prison.
4. At Leighlin in Ireland, **Saint Laisrén or Molassius, abbot**, who peacefully extended the Roman custom of Paschal celebration on the island.
5. In the monastery of Lobbes in Hainaut, **Saint Ursmar, bishop and abbot**, who spread the Rule of Saint Benedict and brought the people to the Christian faith.
6. At Constantinople, **Saint Anthusa, virgin**, who, daughter of Emperor Constantine Copronymus, expended all her help on aiding the poor, redeeming slaves, restoring churches, and rebuilding monasteries, and received the habit of a nun from Saint Tarasius the bishop.
7. On the island of Aegina, **Saint Athanasia, widow**, later a solitary and **abbess**, distinguished for monastic observance and virtues.
8. In the same place, **Saint John the Isaurian, monk**, who, disciple of Saint Gregory of Decapolis, valiantly contended under Emperor Leo the Armenian in defense of the holy Images.

8. At Córdoba in the region of Vandalic Hispania, **Saint Perfectus, priest and martyr**, who, by the Moors, because he attacked the teaching of Mohammed and steadfastly professed the faith of Christ, was thrown into prison and afterward slain by the sword.

10. At Bruges in Flanders, **blessed Idesbald, abbot**, who, having shortly been widowed in the world and having fulfilled duties at the court of the counts for thirty more years, entered the monastery of Dunes in mature age, over which he presided as the third abbot in holiness for twelve years.

11. At Milan in Lombardy, **Saint Galdinus, bishop**, who labored for the restoration of the city, devastated by the wars of the empire, and, while giving a sermon against heretics, yielded his spirit to God.

12. At Monte Reale in Abruzzo, **blessed Andrew, priest** from the Order of Hermits of Saint Augustine, who devoted himself to preaching in Italy and France.

13. In the city of Gandia in the district of Valencia on the coast of Spain, **blessed Andrew Hibernon, religious** from the Order of Friars Minor, who, as a youth, having been robbed of his money by thieves, thereafter greatly embraced poverty.

14. At Pontoise near Paris in France, **blessed Mary of the Incarnation (Barbara) Avrillot**, who, being a proven mother of a family and most devout woman, introduced Carmel to France and founded five

monasteries, until, her husband having died, she herself professed the religious life.

15. At Angers in France, **blessed Joseph Moreau, priest and martyr**, who, during the French upheaval, out of hatred for the Christian faith, was beheaded on Friday in the Passion of the Lord.

16. At Siena in Etruria, **blessed Sabina Petrilli, virgin**, who founded *the Congregation of Sisters of Saint Catherine of Siena* to assist the needs of poor girls and the impoverished.

17. In the town of Majdanek near Lublin in Poland, **blessed Roman Archutowski, priest and martyr**, who, having been cast into prison by foreign soldiers for the confession of the Christian faith, afflicted by hunger and disease, attained eternal glory.

April 19th

This Day, the Nineteenth Day of April

1. In Africa, **Saint Mappalicus, martyr**, who, in the persecution of Emperor Decius, moved by domestic piety, ordered that peace be granted to his mother and sister, who had lapsed, but he himself, arrested and brought before the tribunal, was crowned with martyrdom; together with him are associated **many other holy martyrs** who confessed

Christ, namely, **Bassus** in the stone quarry, **Fortunio** in prison, **Paulus** at the tribunal, **Fortunata**, **Victorinus**, **Victor**, **Heremius**, **Credula**, **Hereda**, **Donatus**, **Firmus**, **Venustus**, **Fructus**, **Julia**, **Martialis**, and **Ariston**, all of whom were killed in prison by hunger.

2. In Persia, **Saint Martha, virgin and martyr**, who under King Sapor the Second, on the day after the martyrdom of her father Pusicius—that is, on the very day of the Lord’s Resurrection—suffered martyrdom.

3. At Antioch in Pisidia, **Saint George, bishop**, who died in exile on account of the veneration of holy Images.

4. At Frastanz in the Bavarian Alps, **Saint Gerold, hermit**, who is said to have lived a life of penance in the region of Vorarlberg.

5. On the bank of the Thames near Greenwich in England, **the passion of Saint Aelphegi, bishop of Canterbury and martyr**, who, when the Danes were devastating the city by the sword, offered himself for his flock and, since he refused to be ransomed with money, was struck with bones of sheep on the Saturday after Easter and finally was killed by beheading.

6. At Rome near Saint Peter’s, **Saint Leo the Ninth, pope**, who first, as bishop of Toul, for twenty-five years zealously defended the Church, and then, having been elected to the Roman see, for five years convened several synods to reform the life of the clergy and to root out simony.

7. At the monastery of Saint Bertin in the region of Thérrouanne in France, **the passing of blessed Bernard, penitent**, who, striving to atone for the sins of his youth by strict penance, chose voluntary exile, and barefoot, clothed in wool garments, and content with only sparse nourishment, constantly made pilgrimages to holy places.

8. At London in England, **blessed James Duckett, martyr, a married man**, who, because he was selling Catholic books as a bookseller, was betrayed, detained in prison for nine years, and under Queen Elizabeth the First was hanged at Tyburn on the gallows together with his betrayer, whom he, dying, urged to die a Catholic death.

April 20th

This Day, the Twentieth Day of April

1. At Rome, **Saint Anicetus, pope**, with whom the distinguished guest, Saint Polycarp, rejoiced in fraternal charity, when together they discussed the determination of the date of Easter.

2. In the same place, **the commemoration of the holy martyrs Sulpicius and Servitianus**, buried on the Latin Way at the second milestone.

3. At Córdoba in Hispania Bætica, **Saint Secundinus, martyr**.

4. At Embrun in France, **Saint Marcellinus**, first **bishop** of the same city, who, coming from Africa, converted the greater part of the Maritime Alps to the faith of Christ and was ordained to this see by Saint Eusebius of Vercelli.
5. At Auxerre in Lyonnais France, **Saint Marcian, monk**.
6. At Constantinople, **Saint Theodore**, who, because of the rough haircloth garment with which he was clothed, was surnamed Trichinas (“the hairy one”), and lived a most upright life in solitude.
7. At Antioch in Syria, **Saint Anastasius, bishop and martyr**, who, under Emperor Phocas, was most cruelly killed by assassins.
8. In the region of Laurino near Paestum in Campania, **Saint Helena, virgin**, who, strengthened in the works of Christ, sought the solitude of a desert place, where she served God unceasingly in the needs of religious and the sick.
9. At Osnabrück in Saxony, **Saint Wiho, bishop**, who, born in Frisia, was first an abbot sent to preach the Gospel by Emperor Charlemagne, and then appointed to the Church of Osnabrück, suffered much for Christ.

10. In the monastery of Châtelliers in the district of Poitou in France, **blessed Gerald of Sales**, who, a poor **canon** and afterward a poorer **hermit** and devoted practitioner of outstanding penance, inflamed many with love of God or drew them to the hermitage, and finally founded very many houses of canons regular.

11. At Pisa in Etruria, **blessed Dominic Vernagalli**, **priest** from the Camaldolese Order, who built a shelter for orphans.

At Montepulciano likewise in Etruria, **Saint Agnes**, **virgin**, who at nine years of age received the habit of consecrated virgins, and, already only in her fifteenth year, was unwillingly placed over the nuns of Proceno, and soon, under the discipline of Saint Dominic in the monastery founded by herself, gave a remarkable example of true humility.

13. At Bologna in Emilia, **blessed Simon of Todi Rinalducci**, **priest** of the Order of Hermits of Saint Augustine, who taught young students and the people of God both by the word of doctrine and the example of life.

14. In Lancashire in England, **blessed James Bell and John Finch**, **martyrs**, of whom **one**, a **priest**, after twenty years spent in another confession, was reconciled at last with the Catholic Church at the urging of a devout woman; **the other**, a **father of a family**, **farmer**, and **catechist**, endured many years of prison, hunger, and other torments for his faith; and together they attained eternal joy under Queen Elizabeth the First.

15. At London likewise in England, **blessed Richard Sargeant and William Thomson, priests and martyrs**, who, condemned to death for having entered and remained in England as priests, suffered the supreme penalty at Tyburn.

16. At Clon in Ireland, **blessed Maurice MacKenraghty, priest and martyr**, who, after two years spent in prison, because he refused to acknowledge Queen Elizabeth the First's authority in spiritual matters, was handed over to execution at the gallows.

17. At York in England, **blessed Anthony Page, priest and martyr**, a gentle and upright man, who was condemned to cruel torments because of the priesthood.

18. Also at London in England, **blessed Francis Page**, of the Society of Jesus, **and Robert Watkinson, priests and martyrs**, who together, under Queen Elizabeth the First, because of the priesthood — one of them having been ordained only a month earlier — were compelled to ascend the gallows at Tyburn.

19. At Pianello on Lake Como in Italy, **blessed Clara (Dina) Bosatta, virgin**, who, with the help of blessed Aloysius Guanella, founded *the Little House of Divine Providence*.

20. On the journey from the Dachau detention camp to the place of *Hartheim* near Linz in Austria, **blessed Anastasius Pankiewicz, priest**

of the Order of Friars Minor **and martyr**, who, against a regime that oppressed Christian dignity, bore witness to the faith even unto death.

April 21st

This Day, the Twenty-first Day of April

Saint Anselm, bishop and Doctor of the Church, who, born at Aosta (Augusta Praetoria), became a monk and then abbot in the monastery of Bec in Normandy; he taught his fellow monks to advance on the way of perfection and to seek God through the understanding of faith. Later, having been promoted to the distinguished see of Canterbury in England, he vigorously struggled for the liberty of the Church and endured hardships and exile.

2. At Rome, the commemoration of Saint Apollonius, philosopher and martyr, who, under Emperor Commodus, before the prefect Perennis and the Senate, defended the cause of the Christian faith with a subtle speech, which, having been condemned to death, he afterward confirmed by the witness of his blood.

3. At Alexandria in Egypt, Saint Aristus, priest and martyr.

4. On Mount Sinai, Saint Anastasius, abbot, who tirelessly defended the orthodox faith against the Monophysites and composed many discourses for the salvation of souls.

5. In a monastery at Applecross in Scotland, **Saint Maelrubha, abbot**, who, born in Ireland and having become a monk at Bangor, founded a monastery of missionaries, from which for fifty years he brought the light of faith to the people of this region.

6. At Cagli in Picenum of Italy, **blessed John Saziari, religious** of the Third Order of Saint Francis.

7. At Cervera near Fossano in the Subalpine region, **blessed Bartholomew Cerveri, priest** of the Order of Preachers **and martyr**, who, having been pierced with lances, confirmed by death the Catholic faith, for which he had valiantly fought.

8. At Hohenwart in the Bavarian region of Germany, **Saint Conrad of Parzham (John) Birndorfer, religious** of the Order of Friars Minor Capuchin, who, for more than forty years fulfilling the humble office of porter, always generous to the poor, was accustomed to send no one in need away unless he had first brought them Christian comfort with suitable words.

9. At Nochistlán in the territory of Guadalajara in Mexico, **Saint Roman Adame, priest and martyr**, who, during the persecution against the Church, because he had confessed Christ the King, fulfilled martyrdom.

April 22nd

This Day, the Twenty-second Day of April

1. At Rome, **Saint Soter, pope**, whose outstanding charity toward the brethren, whether toward miserable strangers arriving from abroad, or toward those worn out by poverty, or those condemned to the mines, Saint Dionysius of Corinth praises.
2. At Lyons in France, **Saint Epipodius**, who, after the glorious forty-eight **martyrs** in the same city, having been arrested with Alexander, his most beloved friend, completed his martyrdom by beheading.
3. At Alexandria in Egypt, **the commemoration of Saint Leonides, martyr**, who, under the emperor Septimius Severus, was killed by the sword for the name of Christ, leaving behind his son Origen still a boy.
4. At Rome, in the cemetery of Callistus on the Appian Way, **the burial of Saint Caius, pope**, who, fleeing the persecution of the emperor Diocletian, rested as a confessor of the faith.
5. The commemoration of **Saint Maryahb**, that is, (“the Lord gives”), chorepiscopus and martyr in Persia, who, during the persecution stirred up by King Shapur II, suffered martyrdom for Christ within the octave of Easter.
6. At Constantinople, the the heavenly birth of **Saint Agapitus the First, pope**, who acted firmly that the Roman bishop be freely elected by the clergy of the City and that the dignity of the Church be preserved everywhere; then, sent by Theodatus, king of the Goths, to

Constantinople to the emperor Justinian, he strengthened the orthodox faith, ordained Mennas bishop of that city, and rested there in peace.

7. At Sens in Neustria, **Saint Leo, bishop.**

8. In the village of Syceon in Galatia, **Saint Theodore, bishop and abbot**, who, captivated by the love of solitude from childhood, chose a strict form of life, and having been unwillingly ordained bishop of Anastasiopolis, at length obtained permission from the patriarch of Constantinople to return to his retreat.

9. In the district of Sééz in Neustria, **Saint Opportuna, abbess**, notable for the greatest abstinence and austerity.

10. At Badajoz in Lusitania, **Saint Senorina, abbess**, at whose prayer, it is said, God quickly refreshed the nuns who were suffering from a lack of bread.

11. At Fabriano in Picenum of Italy, **blessed Francis Venimbeni, priest** from the Order of Friars Minor, who was an outstanding preacher of the word of God.

April 23rd

This Day, the Twenty-third Day of April

Saint **George, martyr**, whose glorious contest at Diospolis or Lydda in Palestine has been celebrated by all the Churches from East to West from ancient times.

Saint **Adalbert (Vojtech), bishop of Prague and martyr**, who suffered much in that Church and, undertaking many journeys for Christ, vigorously labored to extirpate pagan customs. But, when he noticed that little progress was being made, he went to Rome and became a monk. Finally, he came to Poland, and, when he intended to lead the neighboring Prussians to the faith, he was pierced by pagan spears in the village of Tenkitten near the Vistula.

3. At Edessa in Syria, **Saint Eulogius, bishop**, who is reported to have died on Holy Friday.

4. At Milan in Liguria, **Saint Marolus, bishop**, friend of blessed Pope Innocent I.

5. At Toul in Lorraine, **Saint Gerald, bishop**, who for thirty-one years fortified the city with excellent laws, nourished the poor, and, during a time of plague, helped the people with prayers and fasting. He dedicated the cathedral church and not only helped monasteries with wealth but also instructed them with holy disciples.

6. At Suellis in Sardinia, **Saint George, bishop**.

7. At Perugia in Umbria, **blessed Giles of Assisi, religious** from the Order of Friars Minor, who, as a companion of Saint Francis, became famous for his fearless faith and wonderful simplicity in his pilgrimages.

8. At Udine in Venice, **blessed Helena of Valentini, widow**, who, in order to serve God alone, worked tirelessly in the secular Order of Saint Augustine, dedicating herself to prayer, the reading of the Gospel, and works of Mercy.

9. At Campi Bisenzio in Etruria, Italy, **blessed Teresa Mary of the Cross Manetti, virgin**, foundress of *the Congregation of the Carmelite Sisters of Saint Teresa*.

10. At the Cistercian monastery of the Crypt of the Ferrata in the Tusculan countryside near Rome, **blessed Mary Gabriella Sagheddu, virgin**, who, for the unity of Christians, offered her life with total simplicity, which she completed at the age of twenty-five.

April 24th

This Day, the Twenty-fourth Day of April

Saint **Fidelis of Sigmaringen, priest and martyr**, who, first a lawyer, was enrolled among the Friars Minor Capuchins, leading a life harsh through vigils and prayers. Constant in the preaching of the word of God, when he was sent to Rhaetia to reinforce correct doctrine, and was killed by heretics at Sevisio in Switzerland for the Catholic faith.

2. At Jerusalem, **the commemoration of the holy women Mary Cleophas and Salome**, who, with Mary Magdalene, came very early in the morning of Easter to the Lord's tomb to anoint His body, and were the first to hear the announcement of His resurrection.

3. At Lyons in France, **Saint Alexander, martyr**, who, three days after the passion of Saint Epipodius, was brought out of prison, first torn apart, and then, after being fixed to a cross, he gave up his spirit.

4. At Nicomedia in Bithynia, **Saint Anthimus, bishop, and his companions, martyrs** in the persecution of the emperor Diocletian; he, who received the glory of martyrdom by decapitation for the confession of Christ, was **followed by the entire multitude of his flock**, some of whom were beheaded by the sword, others were burned by fire, and still others were cast into the sea on boats, as ordered by the judge.

5. At Illiberis in Hispania Baetica, **Saint Gregory, bishop**, whose work *De fide* is praised by Saint Jerome.

6. In the village of Blesensis in Lyon France, **Saint Deodatus, deacon and abbot**, who, after an anchoritic life, presided over the disciples gathered around him there.

7. At Canterbury in England, **Saint Mellitus, bishop**, who, sent to England by Pope Gregory the Great as abbot, was later ordained bishop of the East Saxons by Saint Augustine, and after many tribulations, he came to the illustrious see of Canterbury.

7. At York in Northumbria, **Saint Wilfrid, bishop**, who worked with great zeal for forty-five years and, after being frequently forced to yield his seat to others, rested in peace among the monks of Ripon, to whom he had been abbot.

8. On the island of Iona in Scotland, **Saint Egbert, priest and monk**, who, with great zeal, cared for the evangelization of many regions of Europe and, having

grown advanced in age, reconciled the monks of Iona with the Roman usage in the computation of the day of Easter, and, after the solemn celebration of the Paschal office, immediately celebrated the eternal feast.

9. At Moretónii in Normandy, **Saint William Firmatus, hermit**, who, a **canon and physician** at Tours, after a pilgrimage to Jerusalem, lived a solitary life.

10. At Angers in France, **Saint Mary of Saint Euphrasia (Rose of Virginia) Pelletier, virgin**, who founded *the Institute of the Sisters of the Good Shepherd* for women who had fallen into bad habits, now called Magdalens, to be mercifully received.

11. At Dinan in France, **Saint Benedict (Angelo) Menni, priest** from the Order of Saint John of God, who founded *the Congregation of the Sisters of the Hospitallers of the Sacred Heart of Jesus*.

April 25th

This Day, the Twenty-fifth Day of April

Feast of **Saint Mark, Evangelist**, who, in Jerusalem, first followed blessed Paul in the apostolate, then adhered to the footsteps of blessed Peter, his son, and is said to have collected his catechesis for the Romans in the Gospel and eventually to have established the Church of Alexandria.

2. The **commemoration of Saint Anianus, bishop** of Alexandria in Egypt, who, according to Eusebius, in the eighth year of the reign of Nero, was the first after

Saint Mark to take up the bishopric of this city, holding it for twenty-two years, a man accepted by God and marvelous in every way.

3. At Dorostorum in Moesia, **Saints Paschyratus and Valentian, martyrs**, who, confessing Christ as the one true God, boldly offered their necks to the sword.

4. At Aginnum in Aquitaine, **Saint Phoebadius, bishop**, who published a book against the Arians and protected his people from heresy.

5. At Antioch in Syria, **Saint Stephen, bishop and martyr**, who suffered much at the hands of the heretics who were attacking the Council of Chalcedon, and, during the reign of Emperor Zeno, was thrown into the Orontes River, where he met his death.

6. At Vienne in Burgundy, **Saint Clarentius, bishop**.

7. At Laubium in Brabant in Austrasia, **Saint Ermin, abbot and bishop**, who succeeded Saint Ursmer, devoted especially to prayer and adorned with the spirit of prophecy.

8. In the district of Placentia in Emilia, **Saint Frances, abbess**, who wished to be associated with the Cistercian Order and strove to spend the night in prayer before God.

9. At Augusta Praetoria in the Graian Alps, **blessed Boniface Valperga, bishop**, distinguished by charity and humility.

10. At the Isle of Wight in England, **blessed Robert Anderton and William Marsden, priests and martyrs**, who, condemned to death under the persecution

of Queen Elizabeth I, for having entered England as priests, albeit only through shipwreck, and with a firm and serene mind, suffered martyrdom.

11. Near Antigua, close to Guatimalópolis in Central America, **Saint Peter of Betancur, religious** of the Third Order of Saint Francis, who, under the patronage of Our Lady of Bethlehem, devoted himself vigorously to the relief of orphans, the poor, the sick, uneducated youths and the abandoned, pilgrims, and men condemned to labor.

12. In the village of Remedello in the district of Brescia in Italy, **blessed John Piamarta, priest**, who, amid great hardships, established *the Institute of the Little Artisans of Brescia* and, in nearby colonies of farmers, promoted the religious education of youths, joined with the craft discipline, and for this work, also founded *the Congregation of the Holy Family of Nazareth*.

April 26th

This Day, the Twenty-sixth Day of April

1. At Rome, **the commemoration of Saint Cletus, pope**, who, second after the Apostle Peter, ruled the Roman Church.

2. In the district of Gabii, on the Praenestine Way at the thirtieth milestone from the City, **Saint Primitivus, martyr**.

3. At Amasia in Pontus, **Saint Basileus, bishop and martyr** under the emperor Licinius.

4. In the wilderness of the forest of Crécy in the district of Amiens in Neustria, **Saint Richarius, priest**, who, moved by the preaching of Irish monks, was converted to penance.

5. In the monastery of Corbie, also in Neustria, **Saint Paschasius Radbert, abbot**, who clearly and lucidly set forth the truth of the Body and Blood of the Lord in the mystery of the Eucharist.

6. At Foggia in Apulia, **Saints William and Peregrinus, hermits**.

7. In Aragon, **blessed Dominic and Gregory, priests** of the Order of Preachers, who, traveling together without gold or silver, begging daily for their sustenance, announced the word of God to all.

8. In the Monastery of the Transfiguration at Moscow in Russia, **the deposition of Saint Stephen, bishop** of Perm, who evangelized the indigenous Zyryans, discovering new forms of letters for the desired writings, celebrating the liturgy in their native language, destroying idols, building temples, and greatly strengthening the truths of the faith.

9. In the monastery of Saint Isidore of Dueñas in Spain, **blessed Raphael Arnáiz Barón, religious** of the Cistercian Order, who, though a novice afflicted with a serious illness, bore his frail health with steadfast patience, always trusting in God.

10. In the village of Montjuic near Gerona, likewise in Spain, **blessed Julius Junyer Padern, priest** of the Salesian Society **and martyr**, who, while persecution raged against the faith, merited to attain the glory of eternal life through martyrdom.

11. In the detention camp of Sachsenhausen in Germany, **blessed Stanislaus Kubista, priest** of the Society of the Divine Word **and martyr**, who, while Poland was subjected to a cruel military regime hostile to God during the war, rendered up his soul in this prison, exhausted by tortures. With him is commemorated **blessed Ladislaus Goral, auxiliary bishop** of Lublin, who in the same place and in the same storm of fury against men and faith, vigorously defended human and ecclesial dignity and, on an unknown day, afflicted by illness, died in chains.

April 27th

This Day, the Twenty-seventh Day of April

- 1.** At Jerusalem, **the commemoration of Saint Simeon, bishop and martyr**, who, as it is handed down, was the son of Cleophas and a relative of the Savior according to the flesh, and, having been ordained bishop at Jerusalem after James the brother of the Lord, was afflicted with many tortures in the persecution of the emperor Trajan and, an old man, was crowned with martyrdom by the cross.
- 2.** At Cibalis in Pannonia, **Saint Pollio, lector and martyr**, who, having been arrested in the persecution of the emperor Diocletian and questioned by the prefect Probus, since he had most steadfastly confessed Christ and had refused to sacrifice to idols, was ordered to be burned outside the city walls.
- 3.** At Tabennesis in the Thebaid of Egypt, **Saint Theodore, abbot**, who was a disciple of Saint Pachomius and the father of the “Congregation” of monasteries.
- 4.** At Altino in Venetia, **Saint Liberalis, hermit**.

5. On the island of Mona, facing the northern coast of Wales, **Saint Mauganius, or Magaldus, bishop**, endowed with golden holiness.
6. On the island of Afusia in the Propontis, **Saint John, hegumen**, who fought greatly under the emperor Leo the Armenian for the veneration of sacred Images.
7. At Lucca in Etruria, **Saint Zita, virgin**, who, born of humble origin, at the age of twelve was assigned to the domestic service of the Fatinelli family, in whose service she persevered with wonderful patience even unto death.
8. At Tarragona in the kingdom of Aragon on the coast of Spain, **Saint Peter Armengol**, who, once a leader of bandits, having been converted to God, entered the Order of the blessed Virgin Mary of Mercy, and dedicated his life greatly to the redemption of captives in Africa.
9. At Bitetto in Apulia, **blessed James of Zadar Varinguer, religious** of the Order of Friars Minor.
10. At Cathari in Montenegro, **blessed Catherine, virgin**, who, baptized in the Orthodox Church, having entered the Order of Penance of Saint Dominic, received the name Hosanna and lived for fifty-one years as a recluse in divine contemplation, and, when the Turks attacked, was a pious intercessor for the Christian people.
11. At Reims in France, **blessed Nicholas Roland, priest**, who, concerned for the Christian education of children, founded schools for poor girls, at that time excluded from all instruction, and established *the Congregation of the Sisters of the Holy Child Jesus*.

12. In the city of Ninh-Bình in Tonkin, **Saint Lawrence Nguyễn Văn Hương, priest and martyr**, who, visiting a dying man by night, was captured and, since he refused to trample the cross, was scourged and finally beheaded under the emperor Tự Đức.

13. At Salamanca in Spain, **blessed Maria Antonia Bandrés y Elósegui, virgin**, of the Congregation of the Daughters of Jesus, who brought to completion a life dedicated to God with equanimity in desolation, and in a short span of time.

April 28th

This Day, the Twenty-eighth Day of April

Saint Peter Chanel, priest of the Society of Mary and martyr, who devoted his ministry to caring for the souls of rural people and educating boys, and then, having been sent with a few companions to evangelize western Oceania, arrived at the island of Futuna, where a Christian people had not yet been established. Hindered by many difficulties, but showing himself with exceptional gentleness, he converted some to the faith, among whom was the son of the very king by whose furious order he was killed — the first martyr of Oceania.

Saint Louis-Marie Grignion de Montfort, priest, who traveled through regions of western France preaching the mystery of eternal wisdom, founded congregations, preached and wrote about the cross of Christ and true devotion to the Virgin Mary, and led

many to repentance; finally, at the village of Saint-Laurent-sur-Sèvre in France, he ended his earthly pilgrimage.

3. At Béziers in Narbonese France, **Saint Aphrodisius**, who is venerated as the first bishop of this city.

4. At Nicomedia, **the holy martyrs Eusebius, Charalampius, and companions.**

5. At Ravenna in Flaminia, **the commemoration of Saint Vitalis**, on the day on which, as is handed down, the very famous basilica in that city was dedicated to God under his name. He himself, together with the holy martyrs Valeria, Gervasius, Protasius, and Ursicinus, is venerated from time immemorial for his fearless and steadfast defense of the faith.

6. At Durostorum in Moesia, **the holy martyrs Maximus, Dada, and Quintilian**, in the persecution of the emperor Diocletian.

7. At Tarazona in Tarraconensian Spain, **Saint Prudentius, bishop.**

8. At Sulmona in Abruzzo, the deposition of **Saint Pamphilus, bishop** of Corfinio.

9. Near Poggio Bonizio in Etruria, **blessed Lucchesius**, who, at first motivated by gain, was later converted and, clothed in the habit of the Third Order of Penitents of Saint Francis, sold his possessions and distributed them to the poor, serving God and neighbor in evangelical spirit through poverty and humility.

10. At the village of Saint-Laurent-sur-Sèvre in France, **blessed Marie-Louise of Jesus Trichet, virgin**, who was the first member to wear the religious habit of the Congregation of the Daughters of Wisdom, which she wisely governed.

11. In the city of Ninh-Binh in Tonkin, **the holy martyrs Paul Phạm Khắc Khoan, priest, John the Baptist Đinh Văn Thanh and Peter Nguyễn Văn Hiếu, catechists**, who were thrown into prison and tortured for three years in order to make them renounce the Christian faith, and finally, under the emperor Minh Mạng, met martyrdom by beheading.

12. In the detention camp of the village of *Mauthausen* in Austria, **blessed Joseph Cebula, priest** of the Congregation of the Missionary Oblates of the Immaculate Virgin **and martyr**, who, Polish by nationality, having been taken from his homeland into prison in hatred of the faith, endured cruel torments even unto death.

13. At Maxentia near Milan in Italy, **Saint Gianna Beretta Molla, mother of a family**, who, carrying her child in her womb, lovingly preferred the life of the one to be born over her own, and died.

April 29th

This Day, the Twenty-ninth Day of April

Memorial of **Saint Catherine of Siena, virgin and Doctor of the Church**, who, among the Sisters of the Penance of Saint Dominic, strove to know God in herself and herself in God, and to become conformed to Christ Crucified; she fought strongly and

unceasingly for the pursuit of peace, for bringing the Roman Pontiff back to the City, and for restoring the unity of the Church, and she left behind outstanding writings of the highest spiritual doctrine.

2. The **commemoration of Saint Tychicus**, disciple of the blessed Apostle Paul, whom the Apostle in his epistles calls a most dear brother, faithful minister, and fellow servant in the Lord.

3. At Pisa in Etruria, **Saint Torpes, martyr**.

4. At Naples in Campania, **Saint Severus, bishop**, whom Saint Ambrose loved as a brother and whom his own Church cherished as a father.

5. At Cluny in Burgundy, **Saint Hugh, abbot**, who governed the monastery of that place in holiness for sixty-one years, always devoted to almsgiving and prayer, a most zealous guardian and promoter of monastic discipline, and a fervent caretaker and propagator of the holy Church.

6. At Lucerne in Normandy, **Saint Achard, bishop** of Avranches, who, once abbot of Saint Victor in Paris, wrote many treatises on the spiritual life, by which the Christian soul might be led to the height of perfection, and he died and was buried in the abbey of the Premonstratensian Order, which he often visited.

7. At Seoul in Korea, **Saint Anthony Kim Söng-u, martyr**, who was accustomed to gather many of the faithful in his home and was at last strangled in prison for Christ.

April 30th

This Day, the Thirtieth Day of April

Saint Pius V, pope, who, raised from the Order of Preachers to the chair of Peter, according to the decrees of the Council of Trent, restored with great piety and apostolic vigor divine worship, Christian doctrine, and ecclesiastical discipline, and promoted the propagation of the faith. On the first day of May he fell asleep in the Lord at Rome.

2. At Fermo in Piceno of Italy, **Saint Sophia, virgin and martyr.**

3. Likewise at Rome, in the cemetery of Pretextatus on the Appian Way, **Saint Quirinus, martyr**, who, a tribune, crowned his confession of faith with martyrdom.

4. At Saintes in Aquitaine, **Saint Eutropius**, the first **bishop** of this city, who is said to have been sent into France by the Roman Pontiff.

5. At Aphrodisias in Caria, **the holy martyrs Diodorus and Rhodianus**, who were stoned by their fellow citizens in the persecution of the emperor Diocletian.

6. At Eucea in Epirus, **Saint Donatus, bishop**, who shone with remarkable holiness in the time of the emperor Theodosius.

7. At Novara in Liguria, **Saint Lawrence, priest and martyr**, who built a sacred fountain, in which he baptized the little ones whom he had taken in to be instructed; but one day, after he had brought a great multitude of children to God through the washing of life, he was crowned with martyrdom by the impious, together with the baptized children.

8. At Forlì in Emilia, **Saint Mercurialis, bishop**, who is believed to have established the episcopal see in this city.

9. At Naples in Campania, **Saint Pomponius, bishop**, who built a church in the city in the name of Mary, Mother of God, and under the occupation of the Goths defended the people entrusted to him from the Arian heresy.

10. At Rome, **blessed Peter the Levite**, who, a **monk** on the Caelian Hill, at the command of Saint Gregory the Great, wisely managed the patrimony of the Roman Church, and, having been ordained deacon, faithfully served the pontiff.

11. At Viviers on the Rhône in Neustria, **Saint Augulus, bishop**, who is believed to have founded the first hospital in the city and to have freed many slaves.

12. At Barking in England, **the passing of Saint Earconwald, bishop**, who founded two monasteries, one for men, which he himself governed, and another for women, which his sister, Saint Ethelburga, ruled.

13. At Córdoba in the province of Vandalicia in Spain, **the holy martyrs Amator, priest, Peter, monk, and Louis**, who, during the raging persecution of the Moors, because they did not cease to preach the Gospel of Christ openly, were savagely put to death.

14. At Verona in Venetia, **Saint Walfard**, who, a saddler by trade and a native of Germany, after many years in solitude, was received by the monks of Saint Salvator in that city.

15. At Vernon on the Seine in France, **Saint Adjutor**, who, having been captured in war, was tortured for the faith, and, having returned to his homeland, lived a penitential life in a cell as a recluse.

16. At Newcastle-upon-Tyne in England, **blessed William Southerne, priest and martyr**, who, after completing his studies in Lithuania, Spain, and Douai, was ordained a priest and went to England, for which reason, under King James I, he was handed over to the cruel punishment of hanging.

17. At Fossombrone in Piceno of Italy, **blessed Benedict of Urbino, priest** of the Order of Friars Minor Capuchin, who was a companion of Saint Lawrence of Brindisi in preaching among the Hussites and Lutherans.

18. In the province of Quebec in Canada, **blessed Marie of the Incarnation Guyart Martin**, who, a mother of a family, after the death of her husband entrusted her young son to the care of her sister and, having professed the Ursuline religious life, established their house in Canada, accomplishing many outstanding works.

19. At Chieri near Turin in the Piedmont, **Saint Joseph Benedict Cottolengo, priest**, who, trusting only in the help of divine Providence, opened a house in which he strove to receive the poor, the sick of every kind, and the abandoned.

20. In the village of An Bái in Tonkin, **Saint Joseph Tuân, priest** of the Order of Preachers **and martyr**, who, having been arrested through betrayal because he had administered the sacraments to his ailing mother, was condemned to death by beheading under the emperor Tụ Đức.

21. At Paderborn in Germany, **blessed Pauline von Mallinckrodt, virgin**, foundress of *the Sisters of Christian Charity*, who was committed to educating poor and blind children and to bringing aid to the sick and poor.

1. The names of whom are: Saints Carissa, Galina, Theodora, Nica, Nunecia, Callis, Basilissa.

2. The names of the seventeen martyrs with Optatus: Saints Lupercus, Successus, Martialis, Urbanus, Julia, Quintilianus, Publius, Fronto, Felix, Crecilianus, Evodius, Primitivus, Apodemius, and four others who are reported to have been called by the name Saturninus.)

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3. The names of whom are: blessed Renata Bourgeois, Joanna Gourdon, Maria Gingueneau, Francesca Michoneau, Joanna Onillon, Renata Sechet, Maria Roger, Francesca Suhard, Joanna Thomas, widow; Magdalena Cady, Maria Piou, Petronilla Renata Pottier, Renata RiFrancet, Joanna Maria Leduc, Magdalena Salle, wives; Maria Genevieve and Martha Poulain de la Forestrie, Petronilla BouriFrancet, Maria Forestier, Maria Lardeux, Petronilla Laurent, Anna Maugrain, Margarita Robin, Maria Rochard.)

Omnes sancti Mártyres, oráte pro nobis. (“All ye Holy Martyrs, pray for us,” from the *Litaniae Sanctorum*, the Litany of the Saints)

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“Scio opera tua ... quia modicum habes virtutem, et servasti verbum Meum, nec non negasti Nomen Meum”
(Apocalypsis 3.8)

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Semen est sanguis Christianorum (The blood of Christians is the seed of the Church)

Tertullian, *Apologeticum*, 50

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May

May 1st



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This Day, the First Day of May

Saint Joseph the Worker, who, a craftsman of Nazareth, supported the needs of Mary and Jesus by his labor, and introduced the Son of God to the labors of men. Therefore, on the day when work is commemorated in many parts of the world, Christian workers venerate him as an example and protector.

2. Commemoration of Saint Jeremiah, prophet, who, in the time of Joachim and Zedekiah, kings of Judah, warning of the destruction of the Holy City and the deportation of the people, suffered many persecutions, for which reason the Church has regarded him as a figure of the suffering Christ. Moreover, he foretold the new and eternal Covenant to be completed in Christ Jesus himself, by which God the Father would write His law in the innermost heart of the sons of Israel, so that He would be their God and they would be His people.

3. In the district of Viviers in France, Saint Andeolus, martyr.
4. In southern Spain, the commemoration of **Saints Torquatus, bishop of Acci, and six other bishops**, who held sees in different cities, **namely Ctesiphon of Vergi, Secundus of Abula, Indaletius of Urçi, Caecilius of Illiberis, Hesychius of Carteia, and Euphrasius of Iliturgi.**
5. At Auxerre in France, **Saint Amator, bishop**, who strove to uproot the superstitions of the pagans in his city and established the veneration of the holy martyrs.
6. At Auch in Aquitaine, **Saint Orientius, bishop**, who tried to root out the customs of the pagans in his city and to establish peace between the Romans and the king of the Visigoths at Toulouse.
7. In Brittany, **Saint Brioc, bishop and abbot**, who, born in Wales, founded a monastery on the Armorican coast, to which a bishop's see was afterward assigned.
8. At Agaunum in Raetia, **the deposition of Saint Sigismund**, who, king of the Burgundians, converted from the Arian heresy to the Catholic faith, and there, before the tombs of the martyrs, established a continuous choir of psalm-singers; through penance, tears, and fasting he atoned for a crime he had committed, and in the district of Orléans, having been thrown into a well by his enemies, met death.
9. On the island of Brittany, **Saint Marculf, hermit**, later monk and abbot of the monastery of Nantus.

10. At Elwy in Wales, **Saint Asaph, abbot and bishop**, of the see later designated by his name.

11. At Vence in the Province of France, **Saint Arigius, bishop**, known for patience in adversities, zeal against simoniacs, and charity toward the Roman monks sent into England.

12. In the district of Montauban in Narbonese France, **the passing of Saint Theodard, bishop** of Narbonne, who restored his cathedral church and flourished with zeal for discipline. Affected by illness, he retired to a monastery, where he gave back his soul to God.

13. At Fossombrone in Picenum of Italy, **blessed Aldebrandus, bishop**, distinguished for austerity of life and apostolic spirit.

14. At Arouca in Lusitania, **blessed Mafalda, virgin**, daughter of King Sancho I, who, after rejecting an invalid marriage, became a nun and introduced Cistercian reform into her monastery.

15. At Montaione in Etruria, **blessed Vivaldus of San Gimignano, hermit** of the Third Order of Saint Francis, outstanding for austerity of life, patience, and charity in caring for the sick.

16. At Castrovall in Istria, **blessed Julian Cesarello, priest** of the Order of Friars Minor, who wandered through villages and streets, sowing the word of God and striving to calm civic factions.

17. At Forlì in Emilia, **Saint Peregrine Laziosi, religious** of the Servite Order, who, from his devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary, excelled in piety toward Jesus her Son and in care for the poor.

18. At Mont-Célien in the district of Beauvais in France, **blessed Petronilla, virgin**, first abbess of the Poor Clare monastery of that place.

19. At Rome, **the birth into heaven of Saint Pius V, pope**, whose memory is commemorated on the day before this.

20. At the fortress of *Son Tây* in Tonkin, **Saint Augustine Schoeffler, priest** of the Paris Society of Foreign Missions **and martyr**, who, after three years spent in ministry, was cast into prison and, at the field called “Five Acres,” by order of the emperor Tu Đức, received by beheading the grace of martyrdom, which he had daily asked of God.

21. Near the city of Nam Định also in Tonkin, **Saint John Louis Bonnard, priest** of the same Society and martyr, who, condemned to death because he had baptized twenty-five children, was beheaded and obtained the crown of martyrdom.

22. At Milan in Italy, **Saint Richard (Herminio Filippo) Pampuri**, who first freely practiced the art of medicine in the world, then entered the Order of Saint John of God, and after about two years peacefully fell asleep in the Lord.

23. In the city of Vladimir in Russia, **blessed Clement Sheptytsky, priest and martyr**, who, prior of the Studite monastery of the town of Univ, during a time of government hostile to God, persevering in the faith, was deemed worthy to dwell in the heavenly courts.

May 2nd

This Day, the Second Day of May

Memorial of **Saint Athanasius, bishop and Doctor of the Church**, most illustrious in holiness and doctrine, who at Alexandria in Egypt vigorously defended the orthodox faith from the time of Constantine up to the emperor Valens, and, having endured many plots from the Arians and having been driven into exile multiple times, at last returned to the Church entrusted to him, and after many struggles and many crowns of patience, in the forty-sixth year of his priesthood, rested in the peace of Christ.

2. At Attaleia in Pamphylia, the holy martyrs Hesperus and Zoe, spouses, and their sons Cyriacus and Theodulus, who, as is told, under the emperor Hadrian, since they were slaves of a certain pagan man, all were first beaten and severely tortured by command of that same master, because of their free profession of the Christian faith, and then, thrown into a burning furnace, handed over their souls to God.

3. At Seville in Baetica of the province of Spain, Saint Felix, deacon and martyr.

4. The commemoration of the holy martyrs Vindemialis, bishop of Capsa in Numidia, and Longinus of Pamaria in Mauretania, who, contending against the Arians in the Council of Carthage, were ordered by Hunneric, king of the Vandals, to be beheaded.

5. At Luxeuil in Burgundy, **Saint Waldebert, abbot**.
6. In the district of Saint Gall in the region of the Helvetians, **Saint Wiborada, virgin and martyr**, who, enclosed in a cell near the church of Saint Magnus, advised the people, and for her faith and religious vow suffered death when the Hungarians broke in.
7. At Linköping in Sweden, **blessed Nicholas Hermansson, bishop**, who, strict with himself, devoted himself wholly to his Church and to the poor, and received with honor the relics of Saint Bridget.
8. At Florence in Etruria, **Saint Antoninus, bishop**, who, after dedicating himself to the reform of the Order of Preachers, devoted himself to vigilant pastoral care, distinguished for holiness, order, and usefulness of doctrine.
9. At Clonmel in Ireland, **blessed William Tirry, priest** of the Order of the Friars of Saint Augustine **and martyr** under the rule of Oliver Cromwell, because he preserved fidelity to the Roman Church.
10. In the city of Vĩnh Long in Cochinchina, **Saint Joseph Nguyễn Văn Lư, martyr**, who, a **farmer and catechist**, offered himself voluntarily in place of the priest Peter Lư, who was sought by the soldiers, and died in chains under the emperor Tự Đức.
11. In the city of Aranjuez in the region of New Castile in Spain, **Saint Joseph Mary Rubio Peralta, priest** of the Society of Jesus, who excelled in hearing penitents, in preaching spiritual exercises, and in visiting the poor of the Madrid region.

12. In the death camp of *Oświęcim* or *Auschwitz* near Kraków in Poland, **blessed Bolesław Strzelecki, priest and martyr**, who, while war was raging, was imprisoned because of the faith, and there, through torments, attained the glorious crown.

May 3rd

This Day, the Third Day of May

Feast of **Saints Philip and James, Apostles**. Of these, Philip, born at Bethsaida like Peter and Andrew, became a disciple of John the Baptist and was called by the Lord to follow Him; but James, the son of Alphaeus, was considered among the Latins to be the same as the “brother of the Lord,” surnamed “the Just”. He was the first to govern the Church of Jerusalem and, when the controversy about circumcision arose, he sided with the opinion of Peter, so that the old yoke might not be imposed upon the disciples from the Gentiles; he soon crowned his apostleship with martyrdom.

2. At Antinoë in the Thebaid, **the holy martyrs Timothy and Maura**.

3. On the Via Nomentana, at the seventh milestone from the city of Rome, **the holy martyrs Eventius, Alexander, and Theodulus**.

4. At Narni in Umbria, **Saint Juvenal**, who is venerated as the first **bishop** of that see.

5. At Kildare in Ireland, **Saint Conleth, bishop**, who was the companion of Saint Brigid in the spiritual care of her monastery and of others subject to it, and he held much influence with the local prelates.

6. At Argos in Greece, **Saint Peter, bishop**, who devoted himself with the utmost charity to the poor and slaves, and earnestly assisted in settling disputes for the good of the faith.

7. In the monastery of Heverlee in Flanders, **the passing of Saint Ansfrid, bishop** of Utrecht, who, afflicted with blindness, retired there.

8. At Kiev in Russia, **Saint Theodosius, abbot**, who founded what is called the Caves Lavra and is said to have been the institutor of coenobitic life there.

9. At Vercelli in the Subalpine region, **blessed Emilia Bicchieri, virgin** of the Order of Preachers, who, although she was prioress multiple times, very joyfully dedicated herself among her sisters to the most humble duties of the house.

10. At Casimir in Poland, **blessed Stanislaus, priest and canon regular**, who, moved by pastoral charity, was a diligent minister of the word of God, a master in spiritual matters, and much sought-after in hearing confessions.

11. At Susa in the Subalpine region of Italy, **blessed Edward Joseph Rosaz, bishop**, who for twenty-five years exercised apostolic care over the people entrusted to him, especially the poor, and founded the Congregation of Sisters of the Third Order of Saint Francis.

12. In the city of Sherbrooke in the region of Quebec in Canada, **blessed Marie Léonie (Alodie) Paradis, virgin**, who founded *the Congregation of the Little Sisters of the Holy Family*, devoted to assisting priests in their ministry and communal life.

May 4th

This Day, the Fourth Day of May

1. At Cirta in Numidia, **the commemoration of the holy martyrs Agapius and Secundinus, bishops**, who, after a long exile in the aforesaid city, in the persecution of the emperor Valerian, at which time especially the rage of the pagans was furiously testing the faith of the just—were made glorious martyrs through their illustrious priesthood. **With them suffered, in their company, Saint Emilianus, a soldier, Tertulla and Antonia, consecrated virgins, and a certain woman with her twin children.**

2. At Nicaea in Bithynia, **Saint Antonina, martyr**, who, having been savagely tortured and afflicted with various torments, hung for three days, and imprisoned for two years, and was at last burned in flames in confession of the Lord by order of the governor Priscillianus.

3. At Lauriacum in Noricum Ripense, **Saint Florian, martyr**, who, under the emperor Diocletian, by order of the governor Aquilinus, with a stone tied to his neck, was thrown from a bridge into the river Anisus.

4. At Phænon in Palestine, **the passion of the holy martyrs Silvanus, bishop of Gaza, and thirty-nine companions** condemned to the mines, who, in the same persecution, by order of Maximinus Daza Caesar, were beheaded and crowned

with martyrdom.

5. At Warsaw in Poland, **blessed Ladislaus of Gielniów, priest** of the Order of Friars Minor, who preached the Lord's Passion with outstanding zeal and celebrated it with devout hymns.

6. At London in England, **the holy priest martyrs John Houghton, Robert Lawrence, and Augustine Webster**, priors of the Charterhouses of London, **Beauvale, and Axholme, respectively, and Richard Reynolds**, of the Order of Saint Bridget, who, since they had fearlessly professed the faith of the fathers, were dragged to execution and dismembered at Tyburn under King Henry VIII. With them also was **blessed John Haile, priest, pastor** of the place Isleworth near the city, who was hanged on the same gallows.

7. At Trier in Germany, **blessed John Martin Moye, priest** of the Paris Society of Foreign Missions, who in Lorraine founded *the Sisters of Providence* and, in China, a community of teaching virgins, and, although driven from his homeland during the disturbances of the French Revolution, always showed himself burning with zeal for souls

May 5th

This Day, the Fifth Day of May

1. At Auxerre in Lyon France, **Saint Jovinian, lector and martyr**.

2. At Alexandria in Egypt, **Saint Euthymius, deacon and martyr.**

3. The **commemoration of Saint Maximus, bishop** of Jerusalem, who, under Maximinus Daza Caesar, after having one eye gouged out and one foot burned with a red-hot iron, was condemned to the mines; and afterward, permitted to go free from there and appointed over the Church of Jerusalem, he at length rested in peace, outstanding in the glory of confession.

4. At Trier in Belgic France, **Saint Britto, bishop**, who defended his flock from the errors of Priscillian, but together with Saints Ambrose of Milan and Martin of Tours, vainly tried to resist the fury of those who demanded the death of Priscillian and his followers.

5. At Arles in Provence, **Saint Hilary, bishop**, who, unwillingly promoted from the Lérins hermitage to the episcopate, labored with his own hands, wore a single tunic in both summer and winter, and traveled on foot, displaying to all his love of poverty. Given to prayer, fasting, and vigils, and tirelessly devoted to the ministry of the word, he showed God's mercy to sinners, received orphans, and sent immediately for the redemption of captives all the silver that the basilica of the city possessed.

6. At Vienne in Lyon France, **Saint Nicetius, bishop.**

7. At Milan in Liguria, **Saint Geruntius, bishop.**

8. At Marcan in Belgic France, **Saint Maurontus, abbot and deacon**, who was a disciple of Saint Amand.

9. At Limoges in Aquitaine, **Saint Sacerdos**, who, first a **monk** and **abbot**, then a **bishop**, at last chose to live the monastic life again.

10. At Hildesheim in Saxony, Germany, **Saint Godehard, bishop**, who, first abbot of the monastery of Niederaltaich, visited and restored other monasteries, and then, succeeding Saint Bernward on the episcopal seat, promoted the good of his Church, established regular discipline for the clergy, and opened schools.

11. In Calabria, **Saint Leo, hermit**, who, devoted to contemplation and works for the poor, died in the monastery of Africo near Reggio Calabria, founded by himself.

12. At Vendoeuvres near Tours in France, **Saint Avertinus, deacon**, who, having followed Saint Thomas Becket into exile, after his martyrdom returned to Vendoeuvres and led a hermit's life.

13. At Licata in Sicily, **Saint Angelus, priest** of the Carmelite Order **and martyr**.

14. At Recanati in Picenum, Italy, **blessed Benvenutus Mareni, religious** of the Order of Friars Minor.

15. At Naples in Campania, **blessed Nunzio Sulprizio**, who, **an orphan** afflicted with bone disease in his leg and wasted in body, bore all things with a calm and cheerful spirit, assisted everyone, greatly consoled those who shared in suffering, and in every way relieved the misery of the poor.

16. At Somasca near Bergamo in Italy, **blessed Catherine Cittadini, virgin**, who, orphaned of her parents from early childhood, as a humble and wise teacher greatly

provided for the education of poor girls and for Christian doctrine, and for this reason founded *the Institute of the Ursuline Sisters of Somasca*.

17. At Dresden in Germany, **blessed Gregory Frąckowiak, religious** of the Society of the Divine Word and martyr, who, imprisoned during the time of war, died for Christ by a blow from an axe.

May 6th

This Day, the Sixth Day of May

1. The **commemoration of Saint Lucius the Cyrenian**, who is listed in the Acts of the Apostles among the prophets and teachers of the Church which was at Antioch.

2. At Lambaesis in Numidia, **the holy martyrs Marian, lector, and James, deacon**, the former of whom had long before overcome the attacks of the Decian persecution in the confession of Christ; he was again arrested with his dearest colleague, and both, after cruel tortures and strengthened by divine grace, were finally put to death by the sword with many others.

3. At Milan in Liguria, **Saint Venerius, bishop**, who was a disciple and deacon of Saint Ambrose. He sent clerics to assist the bishops of Africa and gave aid to Saint John Chrysostom in exile.

4. At Rome, **Saint Benedicta, virgin**, who, being **a religious**, as narrated by Pope Gregory the Great, rested in God on the thirtieth day after the death of Saint Galla, whom she especially loved above all others, just as she had asked.

5. At Lindisfarne in Northumbria, **Saint Eadbert, bishop**, who succeeded Saint Cuthbert and shone with knowledge of the Scriptures, observance of heavenly precepts, and especially with generosity in almsgiving.
6. At Barcelona in Spain, **Saint Peter Nolasco, priest**, who, together with Saint Raymond of Peñafort and James I, king of Aragon, is believed to have founded *the Order of the Blessed Virgin Mary of Mercy* for the redemption of captives, zealously expending effort and care in establishing peace during the time of the power of unbelievers and in delivering Christians from the yoke of slavery.
7. At Montepulciano in Etruria, **blessed Bartholomew Pucci-Franceschi, priest** of the Order of Friars Minor, who, leaving behind wife, children, and wealth for the love of God, became a poor one of Christ.
8. At London in England, the **blessed Edward Jones and Anthony Middleton, priests and martyrs**, who under Queen Elizabeth I, because of their priesthood, were hanged on pitchforks at the doors of the houses where they were living and dismembered with iron.
9. In Quebec, Province of Canada, **blessed Francis de Montmorency-Laval, bishop**, who established the episcopal see there and for nearly fifty years devoted all his energy to strengthening and increasing the Church in the vast region of North America, even as far as the Gulf of Mexico.
10. At Cairo in Egypt, **blessed Mary Catherine Troiani, virgin** of the Third Order of Saint Francis, who, having been sent from Italy to Egypt, there founded a new community of Franciscan Missionary Sisters.

11. At Rome, **blessed Anna Rosa Gattorno, religious**, who, being a mother of a family, after becoming a widow, devoted herself entirely to the Lord and to her neighbor, and founded *the Daughters of Saint Anne, Mother of Mary Immaculate*, striving with great effort on behalf of the sick, the infirm, and helpless children, in whose faces she contemplated Christ the poor.

12. Near Munich in Bavaria, Germany, the **blessed Henry Kaczorowski and Casimir Gostyński, priests and martyrs**, who, having been forcibly taken from Poland by persecutors of human dignity in a military manner, gave their lives for the faith of Christ in the Dachau detention camps, poisoned by deadly gas.

May 7th

This Day, the Seventh Day of May

1. At Rome, **the commemoration of Saint Domitilla, martyr**, who, the daughter of the sister of the consul Flavius Clemens, having been accused in the persecution of the emperor Domitian of denying foreign gods, was deported along with others to the island of Pontia on account of the testimony of Christ, and there endured a long martyrdom.

2. At Nicomedia in Bithynia, **the holy martyrs Flavius and four companions**.

3. At Le Mans in France, **Saint Cenericus, deacon**, who, a **monk**, after visiting the tombs of Saints Martin of Tours and Julian of Le Mans, spent his life in solitude and austerity.

4. At Beverley in Northumbria, **the passing of Saint John, bishop** first of Hexham and then of York, who joined pastoral care with solitary prayer and, having laid aside his office, spent the rest of his life as a monk in the monastery which he had founded there.

5. In the monastery of Niedernburg in Bavaria, **blessed Gisella**, who, married to Saint Stephen, king of Hungary, aided her husband in spreading the faith and, after his death, stripped of all possessions and exiled from the kingdom, withdrew into this monastery, over which she later presided as abbess.

6. At Kyiv in Russia, **Saint Anthony, hermit**, who pursued the monastic life that he had learned on Mount Athos in the monastery called the Kyivan Cave Lavra.

7. At Cremona in Lombardy, **blessed Albert of Bergamo, a farmer**, who patiently endured the reproaches of his wife because of his excessive generosity toward the poor and, having left his fields behind, lived as a poor man and a brother of the Penitents of Saint Dominic.

8. At Rome, **blessed Rose Venerini, virgin** of Viterbo, who, with the Pious Teachers, opened the first schools in Italy for the instruction of girls.

9. At Genoa in Italy, **Saint Augustine Roscelli, priest**, who founded *the Congregation of the Sisters of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary* for the education of girls.

May 8th

This Day, the Eighth Day of May

1. At Milan in Liguria, **the commemoration of Saint Victor, martyr**, who, Moorish by race, while a soldier in the imperial army, when compelled by Maximian to sacrifice to idols; laid down his arms, and having been led to Laudem Pompeiam, bent his neck and fell by the sword.
2. At Byzantium, **Saint Acacius, soldier, martyr**.
3. At Auxerre in Lyon France, **Saint Helladius, bishop**.
4. At Mount Scetis in Egypt, **Saint Arsenius**, who is said to have been a **deacon** of the Roman Church; in the time of Emperor Theodosius, he withdrew into solitude, and there, perfected in all virtues, gave his spirit back to God.
5. In the territory of Châlons in France, **Saint Gibrian, priest**, a pilgrim for Christ from Ireland through France.
6. At Bourges in Aquitaine, **Saint Desideratus, bishop**, who, formerly keeper of the royal seal, endowed this Church with relics of martyrs.
7. At Salonne in the region of Saintes in Aquitaine, **Saint Martin, priest and abbot**.
8. At Rome near Saint Peter's, **Saint Boniface, pope, the Fourth**, who obtained the Pantheon temple from Emperor Phocas and converted it into a church, dedicating it to God in honor of the Blessed Mary and all the martyrs, and was greatly meritorious in monastic discipline.

9. In the same place, **Saint Benedict, pope, the Second**, friend of poverty, humble, gentle, distinguished for patience and almsgiving.
10. At Verona in Venetia, **Saint Metronius, hermit**, who is said to have led a harsh and penitential life.
11. At Roermond on the Meuse in Austrasian Brabant, **Saint Wiro**, who, along with his companions Plechelm and Otger, is believed to have labored in the evangelization of that region.
12. At Saludecio in Picenum, Italy, **blessed Amatus Ronconi**, distinguished for his zeal for hospitality and care for pilgrims.
13. In the monastery of Saint Mary della Serra, likewise in Picenum, **blessed Angelus of Massaccio, priest** of the Camaldolese Order **and martyr**, a zealous defender of Sunday observance.
14. At Randazzo in Sicily, **blessed Aloysius Rabata, priest** of the Carmelite Order, most faithful in the observance of the Rule and shining in charity toward enemies.
15. In the Province of Quebec in Canada, **blessed Mary Catherine of Saint Augustine (Catherine Simon de Longpré), virgin** of the Hospitaller Sisters of Mercy of the Order of Saint Augustine, who, devoted to the care of the sick, excelled in lifting them to hope and consoling them.
16. In the district of Hegne in the Province of Baden, Germany, **blessed Ulrica (Francisca) Nisch, virgin**, of the Sisters of Charity of the Holy Cross, who

showed herself an indefatigable handmaid of the Lord in the most humble tasks, especially in the service of kitchen assistant.

17. In the extermination camp of *Oswiecim*, or *Auschwitz*, near Krakow in Poland, **blessed Anthony Bajewski, priest** of the Order of Conventual Friars Minor and martyr, who, while war was raging, in prison suffered terrible tortures for the faith and reached the glory of the Lord.

May 9th

This Day, the Ninth Day of May

1. Commemoration of Saint Isaiah, prophet, who, in the days of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah, kings of Judah, was sent to reveal to an unfaithful and sinful people the Lord as faithful and savior, for the fulfillment of the promise sworn by God to David. He is said to have died a **martyr** among the Jews under King Manasseh.

2. Commemoration of Saint Hermas, whom blessed Paul the Apostle mentions in the Epistle to the Romans.

3. In the Thebaid, **Saint Pachomius, abbot**, who, still a pagan, was struck by the witness of Christian charity toward soldiers confined in the same quarters; converted to the Christian life, he received the monastic habit from the anchorite Palemon, and after seven years, by divine instruction, built many monasteries to receive brothers and wrote a famous Rule of monks.

4. In Persia, **the holy martyrs, three hundred and ten.**

5. At Vienne in Lyon France, **Saint Dionysius, bishop**.
6. At Cagli on the Via Flaminia in Picenum of Italy, **the passing of Saint Gerontius, bishop** of Ficulensis, who, returning from a Synod held in Rome, is said to have been wickedly slain there.
7. At Vendôme on the Loire River in France, **Saint Beatus, priest**, who lived a hermit's life.
8. In the Camaldolese monastery of Fonte Avellana in the borders of Umbria, **blessed Fortis Gabrielli, hermit**.
9. Near the town of Monticchiello in Etruria, **blessed Benincasa** of Montepulciano, **religious** of the Order of the Servants of Mary, who withdrew to a cave on Mount Amiata in the territory of Siena and there led a penitential life.
10. At London in England, **blessed Thomas Pickering, martyr, monk** of the Order of Saint Benedict, who, a man of sincere simplicity and most innocent life, falsely accused of conspiracy against King Charles the Second, went with calm spirit to the gallows at Tyburn for Christ.
11. In the city of Nam Định in Tonkin, **Saint Joseph Đỗ Quang Hiến, priest** of the Order of Preachers **and martyr**, who, cast into prison, began to convert pagans to Christ and strengthen Christians in the faith, until by decree of Emperor Thiệu Trị he was beheaded.

12. At Munich in Bavaria, Germany, **blessed Mary Theresa of Jesus (Caroline) Gerhardinger, virgin**, who most providently founded *the Congregation of the Poor School Sisters of Our Lady*.

13. Within the detention camp of Dachau near Munich in Bavaria, Germany, **blessed Stephen Grelewski, priest and martyr**, who, when his fatherland Poland had been seized militarily during the war, was worn down in prison by cruel tortures from the persecutors of the Church and received the glorious crown.

May 10th

This Day, the Tenth Day of May

- 1. Commemoration of Saint Job**, a man of admirable patience in the land of Hus.
- 2.** At Myra in Lycia, **Saint Dioscorides, martyr**.
- 3.** At Leontini in Sicily, **Saints Alphius, Philadelphius, and Cyrinus, martyrs**.
- 4.** At Rome on the Latin Way, **Saint Gordian, martyr**, who was buried in the crypt in which already long before the relics of Saint Epimachus, martyr, were venerated.
- 5.** In the same place, **commemoration of Saints Quartus and Quintus, martyrs**.

6. In Ireland, **Saint Comgall, abbot**, who founded the famous monastery of Bangor and was a wise father and prudent leader of a great band of monks.
7. At Taranto in Apulia, **Saint Cataldus, bishop and pilgrim**, who is believed to have come from Scotland.
8. Near Bourges in Aquitaine, **Saint Solangia, virgin**, who is said to have undergone **martyrdom** for preserving her chastity.
9. At Pont-Sainte-Maxence near Paris in France, **Saint William, priest**, who, English by nationality, as a parish priest was distinguished by zeal for souls and devotion to piety.
10. At Padua in Venetia, **blessed Beatrice of Este, virgin**, who founded the monastery of Gemmola in the Euganean hills and, although for a brief span of life, pursued as a nun the arduous path of holiness.
11. At Siena in Etruria, **the passing of blessed Nicholas Albergati, bishop** of Bologna, who, having entered the Carthusian Order as a young man and having been ordained bishop, greatly benefited the Church by pastoral zeal and apostolic legations.
12. At Montilla in the region of Baetica in Spain, **Saint John of Ávila, priest**, who traveled throughout the whole region of Baetica preaching Christ, and, unjustly suspected of heresy, was thrown into prison, where he wrote the principal part of his spiritual doctrine.
13. At Zagreb in Croatia, **blessed John Merz**, who, devoted to the study and teaching of human letters, offered to young people a shining example of a master

of Christ, rooted in faith and active in the advancement of the lay faithful in society.

14. At Cremona in Italy, **blessed Henry Rebuschini, priest** of the Order of Clerics Regular Ministers of the Infirm, who served the sick in hospitals with simplicity.

May 11th

This Day, the Eleventh Day of May

- 1.** In Byzacena, **Saint Maiulus**, a **martyr** of Hadrumetum, who was condemned to the beasts.
- 2.** On the Via Salaria, at the twenty-second milestone from the City, **Saint Anthimus, martyr**.
- 3.** At Byzantium, **Saint Mocius, priest and martyr**.
- 4.** At Vienne in Lyon France, **Saint Mamertus, bishop**, who, because of impending disaster, established in this city the solemn three-day Litanies before the Ascension of the Lord.
- 5.** At Varennes in the district of Langres, also in France, **Saint Gangulphus**.

6. At Souvigny in Burgundy, **the passing of Saint Maiolus, abbot** of Cluny, who, firm in faith, certain in hope, and filled with double charity, renewed many monasteries through France and Italy.

7. In the monastery of Sturpenne in the district of Limoges of France, **Saint Walter, priest**, who, rector of the canons, having been instructed in the service of God from childhood, shone by gentleness toward the brothers and charity toward the poor.

8. At Verucchio in Flaminia, **blessed Gregory Celli, priest** of the Order of Hermits of Saint Augustine, who, cast out from the monastery by his brothers, is said to have died among the Friars Minor on Mount Carnerio.

9. At York in England, **the blessed martyrs John Rochester and James Walworth, priests and monks** of the London Charterhouse, who, under King Henry the Eighth, because of their fidelity preserved toward the Church, were suspended in chains from the city walls until death.

10. At Naples in Campania, **Saint Francis de Geronimo, priest** of the Society of Jesus, who for a long time devoted himself to popular missions and to the pastoral care of the neglected.

11. At Cagliari in Sardinia, **Saint Ignatius of Laconi, religious** of the Order of Friars Minor Capuchin, who tirelessly begged alms through the streets and taverns of the city and ports in order to relieve the miseries of the poor.

12. At Saigon in Cochinchina, **Saint Matthew Lê Văn Gấm, martyr**, who, when he had brought missionaries arriving from Europe into the region by boat, was seized and, after spending a year in prison, was beheaded by decree of Emperor Thiệu Trị.

May 12th

This Day, the Twelfth Day of May

Saints **Nereus and Achilleus, martyrs**, who, as Pope Saint Damasus relates, had enlisted in the military and, overcome by fear, were prepared to obey the impious commands of the magistrate; but, having been converted to the true God, casting away their shields, military insignia, and weapons, they abandoned the camp, and, having confessed Christ, rejoiced in His triumph. On this day, their bodies were laid in Rome in the cemetery of Domitilla on the Via Ardeatina.

Saint **Pancras, martyr**, who, though still a youth, is said likewise to have died in Rome on the Via Aurelia at the second milestone for the faith of Christ; at whose tomb Pope Saint Symmachus built a celebrated basilica, and Pope Gregory the Great took care to have the people gathered there frequently, so that from it they might receive a witness of true Christian love. His burial is commemorated on this day.

3. At Axiopolis in Moesia, **Saint Cyril**, who, together **with six companions**, fulfilled **martyrdom**.

4. At Salamis in Cyprus, **Saint Epiphanius, bishop**, who, outstanding in manifold learning and in the knowledge of sacred letters, was also remarkable for the

holiness of life, zeal for the Catholic faith, generosity toward the poor, and the power of miracles.

5. At Agyrion in Sicily, **Saint Philip, priest**, originally from Thrace.

6. At Trier in the Rhenish region of Austrasia, **Saint Moduald, bishop**, who built or enriched churches and monasteries, established several communities of virgins, and was buried beside his sister Severa.

7. In the monastery of Marchiennes in the district of Cambrai in Austrasia, **Saint Rictrudis, abbess**, who, after the violent death of her husband Adalbold, at the counsel of Saint Amand, received the sacred veil and governed her community of holy women most rightly.

8. At Constantinople, **Saint Germanus, bishop**, notable for his doctrine and virtues, who with great boldness reprov'd Emperor Leo the Isaurian when he issued an edict against sacred Images.

9. In Castile in Spain, in a place later marked by his name, **Saint Dominic, called "of the Calzada," priest**, who for the benefit of pilgrims of Saint James to Compostela built bridges and paved roads, and most devoutly aided their needs also by building cells and a hospice there.

10. At Bologna in Emilia, **blessed Imelda Lambertini, virgin**, who, having been received from her earliest age as a nun in the Order of Preachers, while still a young girl, suddenly gave up her spirit after a wondrous reception of the Eucharist.

11. At Aveiro in Lusitania, **blessed Joanna, virgin**, who, daughter of King Afonso V, having repeatedly refused marriage, chose rather to serve in the Order of Preachers, and became a refuge for the poor, orphans, and widows.

May 13th

This Day, the Thirteenth Day of May

Blessed Virgin Mary of Fatima in Lusitania [Portugal], the contemplation of whose most merciful motherhood in the order of grace, at the place *Aljustrel*, urgently solicitous about the adversities of men, stirs up the Christian faithful in crowds to prayer for sinners and to the inward conversion of hearts.

2. At Maastricht on the Meuse in Belgic France, **the natal day heavenly birthday of Saint Servatius, bishop** of Tongeren, who in several councils debating the nature of Christ fought for the Nicene orthodox faith.
3. At Poitiers in Aquitaine, **Saint Agnes, abbess**, who, consecrated by the blessing of Saint Germanus of Paris, governed the monastery of the Holy Cross with great devotion.
4. In the place Goriano Sicoli in Abruzzo, **blessed Gemma, virgin**, who, enclosed in a very small cell next to the church, lived such that she could see only the altar.
5. At Como in Lombardy, **blessed Magdalene Albrici, abbess** of the Order of Saint Augustine, who greatly stirred up the fervor of the Sisters.
6. At Le-Puy in the district of Poitiers in France, **Saint Andrew Hubert Fournet, priest**, who, being a parish priest during the French upheaval, although proscribed, strengthened the faithful in the faith; then, when peace had been restored to the

Church, together with Saint Elizabeth Bichier des Ages, he founded *the Institute of the Daughters of the Cross*.

May 14th

This Day, the Fourteenth Day of May

Feast of **Saint Matthias, Apostle**, who followed the Lord Jesus from the baptism of John until the day on which Christ was taken up into Heaven; therefore, after the Ascension of the Lord, he was chosen by the Apostles in place of Judas the traitor, so that, numbered among the Twelve, he might become a witness of the Resurrection.

2. In Asia, **Saint Maximus, martyr**, who, in the persecution of the emperor Decius, is said to have rendered his spirit to God after being struck with stones.

3. At Cimiez in Provence, **Saint Pontius, martyr**.

4. In Syria, **the holy martyrs Victor and Corona**, who suffered together.

5. On the island of Chios, **Saint Isidore, martyr**, who is said to have been thrown into a well.

6. At Aquileia in Venetia, **the holy martyrs Felix and Fortunatus**, who adorned their city with glorious martyrdom.

7. On the island of Sardinia, **the commemoration of Saints Justa and Heredina, martyrs.**

8. At Clermont in Aquitaine, **Saint Aprunculus, bishop**, who, having been expelled from the see of Langres by Gundebald, king of the Burgundians, was, upon arriving at Clermont, appointed over their Church.

9. In the same place, **Saint Gallus, bishop**, a humble and gentle man, who was the uncle of Saint Gregory of Tours.

10. At Lismore in Ireland, **Saint Carthage, bishop and abbot.**

11. In the monastery of Fontenelle in Neustria, **Saint Erembert**, formerly **bishop** of Toulouse, who spent his life under the monastic rule.

12. At Scallabis in Lusitania, **blessed Giles of Vaozela, priest**, who, while teaching the art of medicine in Paris, abandoned a dissolute way of life, and, entering the Order of Preachers, repelled all temptations with tears, prayer, and acts of self-denial.

13. In the town of Saint Mary-of-the-Woods near Indianapolis in the United States of America, **blessed Théodore (Anne-Thérèse) Guérin, virgin** of the Congregation of the Sisters of Providence, who, born in France, despite great hardships, always trusting in divine providence, devoted herself with mercy to the fledgling community of that place.

14. In the village of Bétharram near Pau at the foot of the Pyrenees in France, **Saint Michael Garicoïts, priest**, who *founded the Society of Priests of the Sacred Heart of Jesus*.

15. At Nizza Monferrato in the Subalpine region of Italy, **Saint Maria Domenica Mazzarello**, who, together with Saint John Bosco, founded *the Institute of the Daughters of Mary Help of Christians* for the education of poor girls, outstanding for her humility, prudence, and charity.

May 15th

This Day, the Fifteenth Day of May

1. At Lampsacus in the Hellespont, **the passion of the holy martyrs Peter, Andrew, Paul, and Dionysia.**

2. At Clermont in Aquitaine, **the holy martyrs Cassius and Victorinus**, who are said to have suffered under Chrocus, leader of the Alamanni.

3. In Sardinia, **Saint Simplicius, priest.**

4. At Larissa in Thessaly, **Saint Achilles, surnamed the Thaumaturge, bishop**, who was present at the First Ecumenical Council of Nicaea, and with apostolic zeal, marked by all the virtues, evangelized pagan peoples.

5. At Autun in Lyon France, **Saint Reticus, bishop**, of whom Saint Augustine remembered as a prelate of great authority in the Church, and Saint Jerome praised as an outstanding interpreter of Sacred Scripture.

6. In Ethiopia, **Saint Caleb, also called Elesbaan, king**, who, to avenge the martyrs of Najran, defeated the enemies of Christ and, in the time of the emperor Justinus, is said to have sent his crown to Jerusalem and, fulfilling a vow, lived the monastic life and departed to the Lord.

7. At Septempeda in Picenum, Italy, **Saint Severinus, bishop**, from whom the city later took its name.

8. At Bingen in Austrasia, on the River Rhine near Mainz, **Saint Rupert**, who, being a duke, as a youth went to the thresholds of the Apostles, and upon returning to his domain, built many churches, and, being only nineteen years old, fell asleep in the Lord.

9. At Córdoba in Vandalic Spain, **the commemoration of Saint Witesindus, martyr**, who, out of fear of the Moors, abandoned the Christian faith, but when he soon refused to practice their religion publicly, he was put to death out of hatred for the Christian faith.

10. At Madrid in Castile, Spain, **Saint Isidore, farmer**, who, together with **blessed Maria de la Cabeza his wife**, working diligently and reaping patiently the fruits more of heaven than of earth, became a most pious model for Christian farmers.

11. At Aix-en-Provence, **blessed Andrew Abellon, priest** of the Order of Preachers, who restored regular discipline in monasteries, which he governed with long-suffering and gentle methods.

May 16th

This Day, the Sixteenth Day of May

- 1. At Uzali in Africa, the commemoration of the holy martyrs Felix and Gennadius.**
- 2. At Osimo in Picenum, Italy, the holy martyrs Florentius and Diocletian.**
- 3. In Persia, the holy martyrs Abda and Ebedjesu, bishops, who were killed with thirty-eight companions under King Sapor II.**
- 4. In the village of Bouhy in the territory of Autun in France, Saint Peregrinus, martyr, who is venerated as the first bishop of that city.**
- 5. Commemoration of Saint Possidius, bishop of Calama in Numidia, who, a disciple and faithful friend of Saint Augustine, was present at his death and wrote his illustrious life.**
- 6. At Troyes in Lyon France, Saint Fidolus, priest, who is said to have been taken captive when King Theodoric ravaged Auvergne, but was redeemed by Saint Aventinus, abbot, and instructed in the service of God, and is said to have succeeded him.**
- 7. In Ireland, Saint Brendan, abbot of Clonfert, a zealous promoter of monastic life, about whom the famous and legendary voyage is told.**
- 6. At Amiens in Neustria, Saint Honoratus, bishop.**

9. In Britain, **Saint Carantoc, bishop and abbot** of Cardigan.

10. In Palestine, **the passion of the forty-four holy monks**, who were dismembered by invading Saracens in the laura of Saint Sabas, during the reign of the emperor Heraclius.

11. At Toulouse in Aquitaine, **Saint Germerius, bishop**, who strove to increase the cult of Saint Saturninus and to visit the people committed to him.

12. At Gubbio in Umbria, **Saint Ubaldo, bishop**, who worked to restore the common life of the clergy.

13. At Fermo in Picenum, Italy, **Saint Adam, abbot** of the monastery of Saint Sabinus.

14. At Bordeaux in Gascony, **blessed Simon Stock, priest**, who, first a hermit in England, then entered the Order of Carmelites, which he wonderfully governed and was celebrated for his singular devotion to the Virgin Mary.

15. At Janów near Pinsk on the river Pripet, in the borders of Poland, **Saint Andrew Bobola, priest** of the Society of Jesus **and martyr**, who strove vigorously for the unity of Christians, until, having been seized by soldiers, he gladly gave the supreme testimony of faith by his blood.

16. Near Munich in Bavaria, Germany, **blessed Michael Woźniak, priest and martyr**, who, from Poland—reduced under a regime hostile to human dignity and religion—was brought to the concentration camp at Dachau and, through torments, passed to heavenly glory.

17. In the city of Drohobych in Ukraine, **blessed Vitalis Vladimir Bajrak, priest** of the Order of Saint Josaphat **and martyr**, who before the persecutors of religion bore eternal fruit through the struggle of faith.

May 17th

This Day, the Seventeenth Day of May

- 1.** At Alexandria in Egypt, **Saint Adrian, martyr.**
- 2.** At Rome, on the Old Salarian Way in the cemetery of Basilla, **Saint Victor, martyr.**
- 3.** At Nivedunum on the Danube in Scythia, **the holy martyrs Heraclius and Paul.**
- 4.** In Proconsular Africa, **the commemoration of Saint Restituta, virgin and martyr.**
- 5.** At Vercelli in Liguria, **the translation of Saint Aemilian, bishop.**
- 6.** At Villarreal near Valencia in Spain, **Saint Paschal Baylón, religious** of the Order of Friars Minor, who, always showing himself diligent and kind to all, venerated with constant and ardent love the mystery of the Most Holy Eucharist.

7. In the city of Guiyang in the *Guizhou* Province of China, **Saint Peter Liu Wenyuan, martyr**, who, as a **catechist**, was strangled for the name of Christ.

8. At Casoria near Naples in Campania, Italy, **blessed Julia Salzano, virgin**, who, for the teaching of Christian doctrine and the spread of devotion to the Eucharist, founded *the Congregation of the Catechist Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus*.

9. In the town of Orgosolo on the island of Sardinia in Italy, **blessed Antonia Mesina, virgin and martyr**, who, at sixteen years of age, devoted to the works of the Church, defended her chastity unto death.

10. In the detention camp of the city of Oserlag near Irkutsk in Russia, **blessed John Ziatyk, priest** of the Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer **and martyr**, who, in a time of persecution against the faith, merited to recline at the heavenly banquet of the just.

May 18th

This Day, the Eighteenth Day of May

Saint John I, pope and martyr, who, having been sent by King Theodoric the Arian to Emperor Justin at Constantinople, was the first of the Roman Pontiffs to offer the paschal sacrifice in that Church; on his return, unworthily received by the same Theodoric and thrown into prison, he died at Ravenna in Flaminia as a victim for the Lord Christ.

2. At Salona in Dalmatia, **Saint Felix, martyr** in the persecution of the emperor Diocletian.
3. In Egypt, **Saint Dioscorus, martyr**, who, the son of a lector, after many and various tortures, completed his martyrdom by beheading.
4. At Alexandria also in Egypt, **the holy martyrs Potamon, Ortasius, Serapion, priests, and companions.**
5. At Ancyra in Galatia, **the holy martyrs Theodotus and Thecusa, his aunt, Alexandra, Claudia, Phaine, Euphrasia, Matrona, and Julitta, virgins**, who were first prostituted by the governor, then, with stones tied to their necks, were drowned in a marsh.
6. In the district of Aargau among the Swiss, **blessed Burchard, priest**, who, parish priest of the village of Beinwil, diligently cared with pastoral zeal for the flock entrusted to him.
7. At Uppsala in Sweden, **Saint Eric IX, king and martyr**, who in his kingdom labored wisely to govern the people and defend the rights of women, and sent Saint Henry, bishop, into Finland to spread the faith of Christ; finally, while he was assisting at the celebration of Mass, he was attacked and fell under the swords of his enemies.
8. At Toulouse on the Garonne in France, **blessed William, priest** of the Order of Hermits of Saint Augustine.

9. At Rome, **Saint Felix** of Cantalice, **religious** of the Order of Friars Minor Capuchin, of admirable austerity and simplicity, who, having exercised the office of collecting alms for forty years, sowed peace and charity around himself.

10. At Maria Dom in Germany, **blessed Blandina (Maria Magdalena) Merten**, **virgin** of the Order of Saint Ursula, who combined the care of the human and Christian formation of girls and young women with a contemplative life.

11. In the detention camp of Dachau near Munich in Bavaria, Germany, **blessed Stanislaus Kubski, priest and martyr**, who, in time of war, gave up his spirit for Christ in a death chamber filled with poisonous vapor.

12. In the place called *Hartheim* near Linz in Austria, **blessed Martin Oprządek**, **priest** of the Order of Friars Minor **and martyr**, who, Polish by nationality, at the same time and in the same manner attained the heavenly kingdom.

May 19th

This Day, the Nineteenth Day of May

1. At Rome, in the Cemetery of Callistus on the Appian Way, **Saint Urban I**, **pope**, who, after the martyrdom of Saint Callistus, governed the Roman Church faithfully for eight years.

2. In the same place, **the holy martyrs Parthenius and Calogerus**, who, under the emperor Diocletian, bore glorious witness to Christ.

3. At Arras in Neustria, **Saint Hadulphus, bishop** of Arras and also of Cambrai.
4. At Canterbury in England, **Saint Dunstan, bishop**, who, first abbot of Glastonbury, restored and spread monastic life, and, seated as bishop of Worcester, then London, and finally Canterbury, labored for the promotion of the Regular Concord of monks and nuns.
5. At Florence in Etruria, **blessed Humiliana**, of the Third Order of Saint Francis, who, though harshly treated by her husband, was admirable for her patience and gentleness, and after becoming a widow, gave herself entirely to prayer and works of charity.
6. At Castro Fumorense near Alatrium in Latium, **the heavenly birth of Saint Peter Celestine**, who, while living the eremitic life in Abruzzo, became renowned for sanctity and miracles; when an old man, he was elected Roman Pontiff with the name **Celestine V**, but in the same year abdicated the office and preferred to return to solitude.
7. In a castle near Treguier in Brittany in France, **Saint Ivo, priest**, who maintained justice without respect of persons, fostered harmony, defended the causes of orphans, widows, and the poor for the love of Christ, and received the wretched into his home.
8. At Siena in Etruria, **blessed Augustine, surnamed Novellus, priest** of the Order of Hermits of Saint Augustine, a devotee of true humility and lover of religious observance.
9. At Granada in Spain, **the blessed martyrs John of Cetina, priest, and Peter of Dueñas, religious**, of the Order of Friars Minor Conventual, who were killed by order of the king of the Moors because of their confession of the faith of Christ.

- 10.** At Suzuta in Japan, **blessed John of Saint Dominic Martínez, priest** of the Order of Preachers **and martyr**, who died in prison for Christ.
- 11.** At London in England, **blessed Peter Wright, priest and martyr**, who, professing the faith of the Catholic Church, was admitted into the Society of Jesus and promoted to holy orders; in the time of the Republic, he was led to the gallows at Tyburn because of his priesthood.
- 12.** At Ficeli in Etruria, **Saint Theophilus of Curia, priest** of the Order of Friars Minor, who greatly spread the sacred retreats of the Friars, showing great devotion to the Lord's Passion and to the Virgin Mary.
- 13.** At Rome, **Saint Crispin of Viterbo, religious** of the Order of Friars Minor Capuchin, who, while hurrying through mountain villages to beg alms, taught country folk the rudiments of the faith.
- 14.** At sea off Rochefort in France, **blessed John Baptist Xavier (John Louis) Loir, priest** of the Order of Friars Minor Capuchin **and martyr**, who, during the French Revolution, was detained for the priesthood on a prison ship near eighty years of age, and was found dead on his knees.
- 15.** At Cartagena in New Granada in Colombia, **blessed Mary Bernard (Verena) Butler, virgin**, of Swiss origin, who founded *the Congregation of Franciscan Missionary Sisters of Mary Help of Christians*.
- 16.** Near Munich in Bavaria, Germany, in the Dachau detention camp, **blessed Joseph Czempiel, priest and martyr**, who, Polish by nationality, during the war perished united to the sacrifice of Christ by the torment of deadly gas.

May 20th

This Day, the Twentieth Day of May

Saint **Bernardine of Siena**, priest of the Order of Friars Minor, who by word and example evangelized the people through the towns and cities of Italy, and spread devotion to the most holy name of Jesus, tirelessly continuing the office of preaching with great fruit for souls until his final day at L'Aquila in Abruzzo, Italy.

2. Commemoration of Saint Lydia of Thyatira, a seller of purple, who, at Philippi in Macedonia, was the first of all to believe the Gospel while Saint Paul the Apostle was preaching.

3. At Ostia on the Tiber, Saint Aurore, martyr.

4. At Nîmes in Narbonese France, Saint Baudelius, martyr.

5. At Aegeae in Cilicia, Saint Thalalaius, martyr.

6. At Cagliari in Sardinia, Saint Lucifer, bishop, who, an intrepid defender of the Nicene faith, suffered many things from the emperor Constantius and was sent into exile, whence, having returned to his see, he died as a **confessor** of Christ.

7. At Toulouse in Narbonese France, **Saint Hilary, bishop**, who built a small wooden basilica over the tomb of Saint Saturninus, his predecessor.

8. At Bourges in Aquitaine, **Saint Austregisilus, bishop**, who showed himself especially among the poor, orphans, the sick, and those condemned to death as a minister of charity.

9. At Brescia in Lombardy, **Saint Anastasius, bishop**.

10. Likewise at Pavia in Lombardy, **Saint Theodore, bishop**, who, while war raged between the Franks and the Lombards, suffered exile.

11. At Castagneto in Etruria, **blessed Guido de Gherardesca, hermit**.

12. At Perugia in Umbria, **blessed Columba (Angela), virgin** of the Penitents of Saint Dominic, who labored for the promotion of peace in a city divided by factions.

13. At Seoul in Korea, **Saint Protasius Chong Kuk-ho, martyr**, who, having previously abandoned the Christian faith, embraced it again and professed it in prison even unto death amid tortures.

14. In the village of Botticino Sera near Brescia in Italy, **blessed Archangel Tadini, priest**, who devoted his care to the rights and dignity of workers and founded *the Congregation of the Worker Sisters of the Holy House of Nazareth*, especially concerned with social justice.

15. At Milan in Lombardy, Italy, **blessed Aloysius Talamoni, priest**, who, cultivating his vocation as an educator of youth, exercised his ministry with the

utmost care and effective engagement in the social struggles of his time and brought forth *the Congregation of the Sisters of Mercy of Saint Gerard*.

May 21st

This Day, the Twenty-first Day of May

S**aints Christopher Magallanes, priest, and companions,**¹
martyrs, who in various parts of Mexico, persecuted out of hatred for the Christian name and the Catholic Church and having confessed Christ the King, obtained the crown of martyrdom.

2. In Mauretania, Saint Timothy, deacon and martyr.

3. At Caesarea in Cappadocia, Saint Polyeuctus, martyr.

4. Commemoration of the holy martyrs of both sexes, whom George, the Arian bishop, during the sacred days of Pentecost in Alexandria in Egypt, under the emperor Constantius, ordered to be most cruelly killed or to be sent into exile.

5. At Dariórigum in Brittany, commemoration of Saint Paternus, bishop, who is said to have been ordained bishop on this day by Saint Perpetuus of Tours in a provincial council assembled there.

6. Near Nice in Provence, Saint Hospicius, recluse, a man of wondrous abstinence, who foretold the coming of the Lombards.

7. At Évora in Portugal, **Saint Mantius, martyr**.

8. At Vienne in Burgundy of France, **Saint Theobald, bishop**, who for forty-four years made that see illustrious, distinguished by charity and piety.

9. Abo in Finland, **Saint Hemming, bishop**, who, enflamed with pastoral zeal, restored the discipline of that Church by synodal order, encouraged the studies of the clergy, adorned divine worship, and promoted peace among peoples.

10. At sea off the coast of France, near Rochefort, **blessed John Mopinot, Brother** of the Christian Schools **and martyr**, who, during the time of the French Revolution, was detained in a filthy prison ship because of his religious state, where he died afflicted with disease.

11. At Marseille in Provence of France, **Saint Charles Eugène de Mazenod, bishop**, who, in order that the poor might be evangelized, raised up *the Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate*, and for nearly twenty-five years made the Church illustrious by his virtues, works, sermons, and writings.

May 22nd

This Day, the Twenty-second Day of May

Saint Rita, **religious**, who, married to a violent husband, patiently endured his cruelty and reconciled him to God; then, having been bereft of husband and sons, she entered the monastery of the Order

of Saint Augustine at Cascia in Umbria, offering to all a sublime example of patience and compunction.

2. In Africa, **Saints Castus and Aemilius, martyrs**, who completed their passion through fire. These, as Saint Cyprian writes, having been defeated in the first encounter, the Lord made victors in the second battle, so that they who had yielded to the flames before might become stronger through the flames.

3. At Comana in Pontus, of **Saint Basiliscus, bishop and martyr**.

4. On the island of Corsica, **the commemoration of Saint Julia, virgin and martyr**.

5. In the region of Aire-sur-l'Adour in Aquitaine, **Saint Quiteria, virgin**.

6. At Angoulême likewise in Aquitaine, **Saint Ausonius**, who is held to be the first **bishop** of that city.

7. At Limoges likewise in Aquitaine, **Saint Lupus, bishop**, who confirmed the foundation of the monastery of Solignac.

8. At Parma in Emilia, of **Saint John, abbot**, who, by the admonitions of Saint Maiolus of Cluny, established many things in his monastery to promote monastic observance.

9. At Pistoia in Etruria, of **Saint Atto, bishop**, who, while abbot in the Order of Vallombrosa, was afterward placed over the Church of Pistoia.

10. At Florence likewise in Etruria, **blessed Humilitas (Rosanna)**, who, with the consent of her husband, lived enclosed for twelve years; then, at the request of the bishop, she built a monastery of the Order of Vallombrosa, over which she presided as abbess.

11. At London in England, **blessed John Forest, priest** of the Order of Friars Minor **and martyr**, who, under King Henry VIII, for defending the unity of the Catholic Church, together with sacred wooden images, was burned alive on the pyre in Smithfield and completed his martyrdom.

12. In the city of Kori in Japan, **blessed Peter of the Assumption**, of the Order of Friars Minor, **and John Baptist Machado, priests and martyrs**, who, having carried out their ministry in secret, were beheaded in hatred of the Christian faith.

13. Also, at Omura in Japan, **blessed Matthias of Arima, martyr**, who, being a **catechist**, because he refused to betray a missionary, was tortured with torments unto death.

14. In Annam, **Saint Michael Hồ Đình Hy, martyr**, who, a mandarin, companion of the emperor **and catechist**, was denounced for being a Christian and, after dreadful tortures, was put to death by beheading.

15. In the city of An-Xá in Tonkin, **Saint Dominic Ngôn, martyr**, who, **a father of a family and a farmer**, was ordered by soldiers to trample the cross; instead, he fell down before it and adored it, and when he had fearlessly professed himself a Christian before the judge, he was immediately beheaded.

16. At Lucca in Etruria of Italy, **blessed Mary Dominic Brun Barbantini, religious**, who founded *the Congregation of the Sisters Ministers to the Sick of Saint Camillus*.

May 23rd

This Day, the Twenty-third Day of May

1. At Carthage, **the martyrdom of Saints Lucius, Montanus, Julian, Victoricus, Victor, and Donatian**, who, for the religion and faith which they had learned under the teaching of Saint Cyprian, fulfilled martyrdom under the emperor Valerian.
2. **Commemoration of the holy martyrs**, who in Cappadocia, during the persecution of the emperor Maximian, were killed by having their legs broken.
3. Likewise, **commemoration of the holy martyrs**, who at the same time in Mesopotamia, hung by the feet with their heads downward, were suffocated by smoke and consumed by slow fire.
4. At Naples in Campania, **Saint Ephebus, bishop**, who presided most holily over the people of God and ministered faithfully.
5. At Langres in France of Lugdunum, **the passion of Saint Desiderius, bishop**, who, as it is told, when he saw his people being harassed by the Vandals, approached their king to plead on their behalf; but being immediately ordered to be slain, he offered himself willingly for the sheep entrusted to him.
6. In the district of Norcia in Umbria, **the commemoration of Saint Eutychius, abbot**, who, as narrated by Saint Gregory the Great, first lived the solitary life with Saint Florentius and took care to lead many to God by exhortation, and afterward governed a nearby monastery in a holy manner.

7. Also near Norcia, **Saint Speus, abbot**, who for forty years endured blindness with wondrous patience.

8. At Subiaco in Latium, **commemoration of Saint Honoratus, abbot**, who was in charge of the cell that had formerly belonged to Saint Benedict.

9. At Nice in Provence, **Saint Syagrius, bishop**, who built a monastery near the tomb of Saint Pontius.

10. At Synnada in Phrygia, **Saint Michael, bishop**, who, a man of peace, promoted peace and harmony between Greeks and Latins, but having been exiled for the veneration of sacred Images, died far from his homeland.

11. At Gembloux in the district of Liège in Lotharingia, **the burial of Saint Guibert, monk**, who, laying aside the belt of military service and taking up the discipline of monastic life, built a monastery on his ancestral land, while he himself lived the monastic life at Gorze in Lotharingia.

12. At Rome, **Saint John Baptist de Rossi, priest**, who received the miserable and most abject persons and imbued them with sacred doctrine.

13. In the town of Witowo in Poland, **blessed Joseph Kurzawa and Vincent Matuszewski, priests and martyrs**, who, when their homeland had been subjected to foreign power, were killed by persecutors of the Church.

May 24th

This Day, the Twenty-fourth Day of May

1. Commemoration of Saint Manaen, who, foster-brother of Herod the tetrarch, was a teacher and prophet in the Church which was at Antioch, and existed under the grace of the New Testament.

2. Likewise, the commemoration of blessed Joanna, wife of Chuza, the steward of Herod, who, with other women, used to minister to Jesus and the Apostles from her means, and on the day of the Lord's Resurrection found the stone rolled away from the tomb and announced it to the disciples.

3. At Lystra in Lycaonia, Saint Zoellus, martyr.

4. At Tergeste in Histria, Saint Servulus, martyr.

5. At Nantes in France of Lyon, the holy brothers Donatian and Rogatian, martyrs, of whom, as is told, one had received baptism, the other was a catechumen; but in the final contest Donatian, kissing his brother, prayed to God that he who had not been able to be washed in the sacred bath might merit to be cleansed in a flood of blood.

6. Commemoration of the thirty-eight holy martyrs, who at Philippopolis in Thrace, in the times of Diocletian and Maximian, are said to have been beheaded.

7. In the monastery of Lérins in Provence, Saint Vincent, priest and monk, very distinguished in Christian doctrine and holiness of life and earnestly devoted to the progress of the faith of souls.

8. On the Admirable Mountain in Syria, **Saint Simeon the Younger Stylite, priest and anchorite**, who lived upon a column in conversation with Christ, composing various treatises on ascetic matters and endowed with great charisms.

9. At Piacenza in Emilia, **blessed Philip, priest** of the Order of Hermits of Saint Augustine, who, in order to pursue more sharply the chastisement of the flesh, used to wear an iron chain-mail shirt.

10. In Morocco, **blessed John of Prado, priest** of the Order of Friars Minor **and martyr**, who was sent to Africa to provide spiritual help to Christians reduced to slavery in the kingdoms of unbelievers; but having been apprehended, he boldly confessed the faith of Christ before the tyrant Mulay al-Walid, and by his order consummated martyrdom through fire.

11. At Seoul in Korea, **the holy martyrs Augustine Yi Kwang-hŏn**, in whose house the Sacred Scriptures were read, **Agatha Kim A-gi, a matron**, who received baptism in prison, **and seven companions**, who all together were beheaded for the Christian name.

12. In the city of Saint Hyacinth in Canada, **blessed Louis Zephirin Moreau, bishop**, who in various kinds of pastoral works always earnestly advised himself to feel ardently with the Church.

May 25th

This Day, the Twenty-fifth Day of May

Saint Bede the Venerable, priest and Doctor of the Church, who, a servant of Christ from the eighth year of his age, spent the whole of his life at Jarrow in Northumbria of England in the same monastery, devoted all his effort to meditating on and explaining the Scriptures, and amid the observance of regular discipline and the daily care of singing in church, always found it sweet either to learn or to teach or to write.

Saint Gregory VII, pope, who, formerly called Hildebrand, led a monastic life and assisted the popes of his time in the reform of the Church through many legations; having been raised to the chair of Peter, he vigorously and with great authority vindicated the freedom of the Church from the power of princes and staunchly defended the sanctity of the priesthood; for this reason, forced to leave Rome, he died in exile at Salerno in Campania.

Saint Mary Magdalene de' Pazzi, virgin of the Carmelite Order, who at Florence in Etruria led a hidden life in Christ of prayer and self-denial, praying earnestly for the reform of the Church, and, marked with many gifts from God, guided her sisters excellently toward perfection.

4. At Atella in Campania, **Saint Canio, bishop and martyr.**

5. At Milan in Liguria, **commemoration of Saint Dionysius, bishop**, who, exiled to Armenia by the Arian emperor Constantius for the Catholic faith, there breathed forth his life under the more proximate title of martyr.

6. At Florence in Etruria, **Saint Zenobius, bishop**.
7. In the monastery of Moutier-la-Celle near Troyes in France, **Saint Leo, abbot**.
8. In England, **Saint Aldhelm, bishop**, a man celebrated for learning and writings, formerly abbot of Malmesbury, and also the first bishop ordained at Sherborne among the West Saxons.
9. At Peña Alba in Asturias of Spain, **Saint Gennadius**, who, having been made **bishop** of the same see after being abbot, was a counselor to kings, but, moved by the desire for the cloister, laid down the episcopal dignity to spend the remaining years of life as a monk and sometimes as a hermit.
10. At Villa Magna near Florence in Etruria, **the commemoration of blessed Gerard Mecatti**, who, closely following in the footsteps of Saint Francis, distributed his goods to the poor and, having retired into the wilderness, devoted himself for the love of Christ to receiving pilgrims and helping the sick.
11. At Monte Santo in Picenum, Italy, **the passing of Saint Gerius**, who, once a count of Lunata, led a solitary life and died on a holy pilgrimage.
12. At Faenza in Flaminia, **blessed James Philip (Andrew) Bertoni, priest** of the Order of the Servants of Mary, distinguished for the gift of tears and great humility.
13. In Tonkin, **Saint Peter Đoàn Văn Vân, martyr**, who, a **catechist** and parish caretaker at *Bdu N9*, in the time of Emperor Tự Đức confirmed the constancy of his faith with his blood as an octogenarian.

14. At Paris in France, **Saint Madeleine Sophie Barat, virgin**, who founded *the Society of the Sacred Heart of Jesus* and labored greatly for the Christian education of girls.

15. At the place Munyonyo in Uganda, **Saint Denis Ssebuggwawo, martyr**, who, sixteen years old, when asked by King Mwanga whether he had taught two courtiers the rudiments of the Christian faith, affirmed it, and was pierced by a lance by the king himself.

16. In the town of Catatlán in the territory of Guadalajara, Mexico, **Saints Christopher Magallanes and Augustine Caloca, priests and martyrs**, who, in the Mexican persecution, firmly trusting in Christ the King, attained the crown.

17. In the detention camp of the town of Javas in Moldavia, **blessed Nicholas Cehelskyj, priest and martyr**, who, under a regime of persecution against religion, overcame the torments of his passion with the strength of faith.

May 26th

This Day, the Twenty-sixth Day of May

Memorial of **Saint Philip Neri, priest**, who, devoting care to saving young men from evil, *founded the Oratory at Rome*, in which spiritual readings, songs, and works of charity were practiced, and he stood out for his love of neighbor, evangelical simplicity, cheerful spirit, great zeal, and fervent service of God.

2. Also at Rome, **Saint Eleutherius, pope**, to whom the renowned martyrs of Lyon, then detained in chains, wrote a noble letter concerning preserving peace in the Church.

3. Likewise at Rome, in the cemetery of Priscilla on the Via Salaria Nova, **Saint Simetrios, martyr**.

4. At Todi in Umbria, **Saint Felicissima, martyr**.

5. In the territory of Auxerre in France, **the passion of Saint Priscus, martyr, with companions**.

6. At Canterbury in England, **the deposition of Saint Augustine, bishop**, whose memorial is celebrated tomorrow.

7. In the territory of Lyon in France, **the passion of Saint Desiderius, bishop** of Vienne, who, by Queen Brunhilda—whom he had reproved for incestuous marriage and other wicked deeds—was first driven into exile and then, at her order, overwhelmed with stones, was crowned with martyrdom.

8. In the monastery of Saint Papoul in France, **Saint Berengarius, monk**.

9. At Vence in the province of France, **Saint Lambert, bishop**, formerly monk of Lérins, who was provident toward the poor and a lover of poverty.

10. At Siena in Etruria, **blessed Francis Patrizi, priest** of the Order of the Servants of Mary, who, with marvelous zeal for preaching, cared for the direction of souls, and the ministry of penance.

11. At Pistoia likewise in Etruria, **blessed Andrew Franchi, bishop**, who, formerly of the Order of Preachers, after the Black Plague restored regular life in the convents of that region and in his own city approved penitential fraternities to foster peace and mercy.

12. At Quito in Ecuador, **Saint Mary Anne of Jesus of Paredes, virgin**, who consecrated her life to Christ in the Third Order of Saint Francis and directed her strength toward helping poor natives and blacks.

13. At the place Fuzhou in the province of Fujian in China, **Saint Peter Sans i Jordà, bishop** of the Order of Preachers **and martyr**, who, having been seized with other priests and led in chains over a long journey to the tribunal, at the place of execution bent his knees and, his prayer finished, gladly offered his neck to the sword.

14. At Seoul in Korea, **Saint Joseph Chang Song-jib, martyr**, who, practicing the art of pharmacy, having become a Christian, was detained in chains and died under extreme torture.

15. In the city of Đông Hới in Annam, **the holy martyrs John Doan Trinh Hoan, priest, and Matthew Nguyễn Văn Phụng**, who, **a father of a family and catechist**, gave lodging to his fellow martyr, and both together for the faith were tortured under the emperor Tự Đức and cruelly beheaded.

16. At the place Numyanyo in Uganda, **Saint Andrew Kaggwa, martyr**, who, commander of the drummers of King Mwanga and his companion, having been

only recently initiated into Christ, instructed pagans and catechumens in the doctrine of the Gospel, for which he was cruelly put to death.

17. At the place Ttakajjunge, also in Uganda, **Saint Pontian Ngondwe, martyr**, who, a royal attendant, already under the coming persecution, received baptism and was soon cast into prison; while he was being led to the hill of execution, he was pierced through with a lance by the executioner.

May 27th

This Day, the Twenty-seventh Day of May

Saint Augustine, bishop of Canterbury in England, who, together with other monks sent by Saint Gregory the Great, pope, to preach the word of God to the English people, was kindly received by King Æthelbert of Kent. Imitating the apostolic life of the primitive Church, he converted the king himself and many others to the Christian faith and established several episcopal sees in that land. He died on the twenty-sixth day of May.

2. At Dorostorum in Moesia, **Saint Julius, martyr**, who, in the time of persecution, being a veteran and military pensioner, was arrested by the officials and brought before the governor Maximus; in his presence, as he detested idols and most steadfastly confessed the name of Christ, he was punished with the sentence of death.

3. On the Via Nomentana at the sixteenth milestone from the city of Rome, **Saint Restitutus, martyr**.
4. At Orange in the province of France, **Saint Eutropius, bishop**.
5. At Würzburg in Franconia of Germany, **Saint Bruno, bishop**, who restored the cathedral church, reformed the clergy, and explained the Sacred Scriptures to the people.
6. In the monastery of Montsalvy near Aurillac in Aquitaine, **Saint Gausbert, priest and hermit**, through whose work that place, previously desolate, became a hospice for receiving pilgrims.
7. At Dryburn near Durham in England, **the blessed Edmund Duke, Richard Hill, John Hogg, and Richard Holiday, priests and martyrs**, who, having returned to their homeland from the English College at Reims, were condemned to death solely for being priests under Queen Elizabeth I and were hanged on the gibbet.
8. At Seoul in Korea, **the holy martyrs Barbara Kim, widow, and Barbara Yi, virgin**, fifteen years of age, who, detained together in prison for Christ, died of plague.
9. At the place Nakiwubo in Uganda, **Saint Athanasius Bazzekuketta, martyr**, who, one of the young men of the royal household, recently baptized, as he was being led with the others to the place of execution for the faith of Christ, asked the executioners to kill him at once, and being struck with blows, completed his martyrdom.

10. At the place Lubawo likewise in Uganda, **Saint Gonzaga Gonza, martyr**, who, one of the royal servants, while being led in chains to the pyre, was pierced with lances by the executioners.

May 28th

This Day, the Twenty-eight Day of May

1. At Corinth in Achaia, **Saint Heliconis, martyr**, who, in the time of the emperor Gordian, under the governor Perennius, then under his successor Justinus, afflicted with many torments, at last completed her martyrdom by beheading.

2. At Chartres in France of Lyon, **Saint Caraunus, martyr**.

3. At Urgell in Hispania Tarraconensis, **Saint Justus, bishop**, who explained the Song of Songs allegorically and took part in the councils of Spain.

4. At Paris in France, **Saint Germanus, bishop**, who, first abbot of Saint Symphorian of Autun, having been called to the see of Paris, retained the manner of monastic life and carried out the fruitful care of souls.

5. In the monastery of Gellone in Narbonese France, **Saint William, monk**, who, more renowned than all at the emperor's court, adhered with the affection of love to the truly saintly Benedict of Aniane, putting on the monastic habit with great uprightness of conduct.

6. At Canterbury in England, **blessed Lanfranc, bishop**, who, a monk of Bec in Normandy, founded a celebrated school, and, concerning the truth of the body and blood of Christ in the sacrament, wrote against Berengarius; later raised to the see

of Canterbury, he labored to reform Church discipline in England.

7. At Pisa in Etruria, **Saint Ubaldesca, virgin**, who, from the sixteenth year of her age until her death, for fifty-five years, steadfastly carried out works of mercy in a hospice.

8. At Castelnovo of Garfagnana likewise in Etruria, **blessed Herculaneus of Piegale, priest** of the Order of Friars Minor, who, an outstanding preacher, shone with austerity of life, prolonged abstinence, and the fame of miracles.

9. At London in England, **blessed Margaret Pole, mother of a family and martyr**, who, countess of Salisbury and mother of Cardinal Reginald, under King Henry the Eighth, whose divorce she had disapproved, died in peace of Christ by beheading in the Tower.

10. At Florence in Etruria, **blessed Mary Bartholomea Bagnesi, virgin**, a sister of the Penitents of Saint Dominic, who endured for nearly forty-five years many and most bitter sufferings.

11. At London in England, **the blessed Thomas Ford, John Shert, and Robert Johnson, priests and martyrs**, who, falsely accused of conspiracy against Queen Elizabeth I and condemned to death, were hanged together at Tyburn.

12. At the place Cho Quan in Cochinchina, **Saint Paul Hạng, martyr**, who, having forgotten Christian morals, led a gang in the marketplace, but, when seized under the emperor Tụ Đức, professed that he was a Christian and, moved neither by flattery nor scourging nor the lacerations of pincers, encountered a glorious martyrdom by decapitation.

13. At Sachsenhausen in Germany, **blessed Ladislaus Demski, martyr**, who, Polish by nationality, defending the faith before the followers of doctrines that denied all human and Christian dignity, died, terribly tortured, in a detention camp

14. In the city of Działdowo in Poland, **blessed Anthony Julian Nowowiejski**,

bishop of Plock, who, in the same time, having been imprisoned by enemies in a detention camp, consumed by hunger and cruel torment, passed to the Lord,

May 29th

This Day, the Twenty-ninth Day of May

1. At Antioch in Syria, **Saint Hesychius** the court official, **martyr**, who, in the persecution of the emperor Diocletian, when he heard the order that whoever would not sacrifice to idols must lay aside the military belt, immediately removed his belt; for this reason, with a great stone tied to his right hand, he was ordered to be thrown into the River Orontes.
2. At Trier in Belgic France, **Saint Maximinus, bishop**, who, a fearless defender of the integrity of the faith against the Arians, received Saint Athanasius of Alexandria and other exiled bishops with brotherly kindness, and, having been driven from his see by enemies, died in his native place of Poitiers.
3. In the Anaunian valley in the Tridentine countryside, **the holy martyrs Sisinnius, deacon, Martyrius, lector, and Alexander, doorkeeper**, who, by nationality Cappadocians, having established a church, introduced songs of divine praise into the region and were killed by pagans offering lustral sacrifices.
4. At Ravenna in Flaminia, **Saint Exuperantius, bishop**, who governed this Church prudently at the time when King Odoacer gained control of Italy and the city.

5. At Milan in Liguria, **Saint Senator, bishop**, whom, while still a priest, Saint Leo the Great, pope, had sent as legate to Constantinople.
6. At Mâcon in Burgundy, **Saint Gerard**, who, first a monk, then elected **bishop**, finally lived a solitary life in the forest.
7. At Pisa in Etruria, **Saint Bona, virgin**, who devoutly made many pilgrimages to the Holy Land, to Rome, and to Compostela.
8. At Avignonet near Toulouse in France, **the blessed William Arnaud and ten companions**³, who, united in the mission to resist the errors of the Cathars, were deceitfully captured on the night of the Ascension of the Lord and fell by the sword for the faith of Christ and obedience to the Roman Church, singing the *Te Deum* with one voice.
9. At Pisa in Etruria, **blessed Gherardesca, widow**, who spent her life in a cell near the Camaldolese monastery of Saint Savinus in praise and in the conversation of the Lord.
10. At York in England, **blessed Richard Thirkeld, priest and martyr**, who, under Queen Elizabeth I, was condemned to death because he was a priest and had reconciled many to the Catholic Church, and was handed over to the torments of the gallows.
11. At the place called Roma in Basutoland, South Africa, **blessed Joseph Gerard, priest** of the Oblates of Mary Immaculate, who first preached Christ tirelessly in the province of Natal and then especially to the Basotho people.

12. At Rome, **Saint Ursula (Julia) Ledóchowska, virgin**, who founded *the Institute of the Ursuline Sisters of the Agonizing Heart of Jesus*, and undertook laborious journeys through Poland, Scandinavia, Finland, and Russia.

May 30th

This Day, the Thirtieth Day of May

1. At Porto Torres in Sardinia, **Saint Gabinus, martyr**.

2. At Caesarea in Cappadocia, **the Saints Basil and Emmelia**, who were the parents of the holy bishops Basil the Great, Gregory of Nyssa, and Peter of Sebaste, and of Saint Macrina the Virgin. These holy spouses, during the time of the emperor Galerius Maximian, were made exiles and dwelt in the wildernesses of Pontus, and after the persecution, having left their children as heirs of their virtues, rested in peace.

3. At Pavia in Lombardy, **Saint Anastasius, bishop**, who, having left the Arian heresy, firmly professed the Catholic faith.

4. At Geel in Brabant of Austrasia, **Saint Dymphna, virgin and martyr**.

5. At Furre in Brabant of Austrasia, **the passing of Saint Robert, bishop** of Tongeren and Maastricht on the Meuse, who, disciple and successor of Saint Lambert, applied himself with all effort to the preaching of the Gospel through Brabant and the Ardennes and there overcame pagan customs.

6. At Seville in Spain, **Saint Ferdinand III**, who, **king of Castile and León**, was prudent in governing the kingdom, a cultivator of the arts and sciences, and zealous in spreading the faith.

7. At Rouen in Normandy of France, **Saint Joan of Arc, virgin**, called the Maid of Orléans, who, having fought bravely for her country, was at last handed over into the power of her enemies, condemned by an unjust judgment, and burned with fire.

8. At London in England, **Saint Luke Kirby, priest and martyr**, who, in the persecution under Queen Elizabeth I, after many tortures was hanged on the triple gibbet at Tyburn. With him suffered on the same gallows **the blessed priests and martyrs William Filby, Lawrence Johnson, and also Thomas Cottam** of the Society of Jesus.

9. In the same place, thirty years later, the **blessed William Scott**, of the Order of Saint Benedict, **and Richard Newport, priests and martyrs**, of whom, because of the priesthood, under King James I, the former was strangled by the noose, the latter, still breathing, was torn with iron.

10. At Kampala in Uganda, **Saint Matthias Kalemba**, surnamed Mulumba or the Strong, **martyr**, who, abandoning the Mohammedan worship, after baptism in Christ resigned his office as judge and zealously spread the Christian faith, for which reason he was subjected to tortures under King Mwanga and, deprived of all consolation, gave back his spirit to God.

11. At Savona in Italy, **the passing of Saint Joseph Marello, bishop** of Acqui in the Subalpine region, who founded *the Congregation of the Oblates of Saint Joseph*, devoted to moral care and the Christian instruction of youth.

12. In the detention camp of Buchenwald in the region of Thuringia, Germany, *the passion of blessed Otto Neururer, priest and martyr*, who, because he had dissuaded a young Catholic woman from simulating marriage with a supporter of the godless regime already joined in matrimony, was thrown into prison, where, although suffering all kinds of hardships, he secretly continued his ministry until, suspended by the feet with his head downward, he completed his martyrdom.

May 31st

This Day, the Thirty-first Day of May

Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, when she came to her relative Elizabeth, who was pregnant with a son in old age, and greeted her. When the two future mothers joyfully met, the coming Redeemer sanctified his forerunner still in the womb, and Mary, responding to Elizabeth's greeting and exulting in the Spirit, magnified the Lord with a canticle of praise.

2. At Rome, in the cemetery of Domitilla on the Via Ardeatina, **Saint Petronilla, virgin and martyr.**

3. At Comana in Pontus, **Saint Hermias, soldier, martyr.**

4. At Aquileia in Venetia, **the Saints Cantius, Cantianus, and Cantianilla, martyrs**, who, having been apprehended by the persecutor while departing from the city by vehicle, were at length brought to punishment.

5. At Toulouse in Narbonese France, **Saint Silvius, bishop**, who began to adorn the tomb of Saint Saturninus with a basilica.
6. At Forlì in Emilia, **blessed James Salomoni, priest**, who, as a youth, after his father had died and his mother had been received among the Cistercian nuns, distributed his goods to the poor and, embracing the Order of Preachers, shone forth there for forty-five years, endowed with remarkable charisms, as a friend to the poor and a man of peace.
7. At Camerino in Picenum of Italy, **blessed Baptista (Camilla) Varano, abbess** of the monastery of the Poor Clares founded by her father, who experienced great tribulations as well as mystical consolations.
8. At York in England, **the blessed martyrs Robert Thorpe, priest, and Thomas Watkinson**, who, under Queen Elizabeth I, were condemned to death, the former because he was a priest, the latter, a father of a family of advanced age, because he had often provided assistance to priests, and together received the crown of martyrdom on the gibbet.
9. At Paris in France, **blessed Nicholas Barre, priest**, who, master of theology and a renowned guide of souls in the spirit of the Gospel, founded throughout France *the Christian and Charity Schools, as well as the Sisters Teachers of the Infant Jesus*, for the free education of the children of the people.
10. At Erice in Sicily, **blessed Felix (James) Amoroso, religious**, who, after being refused for ten years, at last entered the Order of Friars Minor Capuchin, where he fulfilled the humblest duties with simplicity and innocence of heart.
11. In the village of Bellegra in the Roman countryside, **blessed Marian of Roccacasale (Dominic) Di Nicolantonio, religious** of the Order of Friars Minor,

who, fulfilling the office of doorkeeper, opened the door of the convent to the poor and pilgrims, whom he sustained in every way with the greatest charity.

12. At Mityana in Uganda, **Saint Noah Mawaggali, martyr**, who, a royal servant, when persecution arose, fearlessly refused to flee, and of his own accord offered his chest to the soldiers' spears, by which he was pierced and also suspended from a tree, until he gave up his spirit for Christ.

¹. Whose names are: the priests Romanus Adame, Rodericus Aguilar, Julius Alvarez, Aloysius Batis Sainz, Augustinus Caloca, Matthaeus Correa, Atilanus Cruz, Michael de la Mora, Peter Esqueda Ramirez, Margaritus Flores, Joseph Isabel Flores, David Galvan, Peter Maldonado, Jesus Mendez, Justinus Orona, Sabas Reyes, Joseph Maria Robles, Turibius Romo, Januarius Sanchez Delgadillo, Tranquillinus Ubiarco, and David Uribe; and Emmanuel Morales, Salvator Lara Puente, and David Roldan Lara, laymen.

². Whose names are: the holy Damianus Nam Myong-hyog, catechist; Magdalena Kim O-bi, Barbara Han A-gi, Anna Pak A-gi, Agatha Yi So-sa, Lucia Pak Hui-sun, Peter Kwon Tu-gin.

³. Whose names are: the blessed Bernard of Roquefort, Garcia of Aure, Stephan of Saint-Thierry, Raymond Carbonier; Raymond of Cortisan, surnamed Escriban, canon; Bernard, Peter d'Arnaud, Fortanarius, and Ademar, clerics; the prior of Avenionet, whose name is unknown.

Omnes sancti Mártyres, oráte pro nobis. (“All ye Holy Martyrs, pray for us,” from the *Litaniae Sanctorum*, the Litany of the Saints)

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“Scio opera tua ... quia modicum habes virtutem, et servasti verbum Meum, nec non negasti Nomen Meum”
(Apocalypsis 3.8)

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Semen est sanguis Christianorum (The blood of Christians is the seed of the Church)

Tertullian, *Apologeticum*, 50

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This Day, the First Day of June

Memorial of **Saint Justin, martyr**, who, a philosopher, followed wholly the true wisdom recognized in the truth of Christ, and affirmed it by his conduct, taught what he affirmed, defended it by writings, and fulfilled it with death at Rome under the emperor Marcus Aurelius Antoninus. For when he had presented an Apology on behalf of the Christian religion to the emperor and had been handed over before the prefect Rusticus, he professed himself to be a Christian and was condemned to death by beheading.

2. In the same place, **the Saints Chariton and Charites, Evelpistus and Hierax, Peonus and Liberianus, martyrs**, who, disciples of the same Justin, together with him received the glorious crown.

3. At Alexandria in Egypt, **the holy martyrs Ammon, Zeno, Ptolemy, Ingen, soldiers, and Theophilus, an old man**, who, standing by the tribunals, when a certain Christian, placed under torture, was faltering and almost inclined to deny, attempted to strengthen him by look, eye, and gesture. And when, for this reason, a cry of the whole crowd rose up against them, rushing into the midst they declared that they were Christians; through whose victory Christ, who had given to His own

that steadfastness of soul, triumphed most gloriously.

4. Likewise at Lycopolis in Egypt, **the holy martyrs Ischyrius, a military commander, and five other soldiers**, who, by order of the prefect Arrianus under the emperor Decius, were slain by various kinds of death for the faith of Christ.

5. At Bologna in Emilia, **Saint Proculus, martyr**, who for Christian truth was pierced with nails from wooden beams.

6. At Montefalco in Umbria, **Saint Fortunatus, priest**, who, as is reported, poor himself, aided the poor by constant labor and gave his life for his brethren.

7. On the island of Lérins in Provence, **Saint Caprasius, hermit**, who withdrew there with Saint Honoratus and began the monastic life.

8. At Clermont in Aquitaine, **Saint Florus**, from whom the monastery raised over his tomb took its name, as well as the city and episcopal see.

9. In Brittany, **Saint Ronan, bishop**, who crossed over from Ireland and led an eremitical life in the woods.

10. In the region of Leicester in England, **Saint Wistan, martyr**, who, of the royal lineage of the Mercians, because he opposed the incestuous marriage of his mother the regent, was killed by the sword of a tyrant.

June 2nd

The holy martyrs **Marcellinus, priest, and Peter, exorcist**, who, as Pope Saint Damasus relates, while the persecution of the emperor Diocletian was raging, were condemned to death by beheading and led to the place of execution through thick brambles, and, so that their bodies might remain hidden from all, were ordered to dig their own grave with their own hands; but a pious woman, Lucilla, arranged their holy remains in the cemetery at the Two Laurels on the Labican Way at Rome.

2. At Lyons in France, **the holy martyrs Pothinus, bishop, and Blandina, with forty-six companions**,¹ whose brave and repeated contests, in the time of the emperor Marcus Aurelius, are recorded in a letter of the Church of Lyons to the Churches of Asia and Phrygia. Among these, Pothinus the bishop, a ninety-year-old man, having been taken into prison, soon afterward gave up his spirit; others likewise perished in prison, but others were set up in the middle of the arena before countless thousands of people gathered for the spectacle: those who were found to be Roman citizens were executed by beheading, while the others were handed over to beasts. Finally, Blandina, having been subjected to longer and more bitter contests, was at last slain by the sword, and followed the others whom she had encouraged toward the prize.

3. At Formiae in Campania, **Saint Erasmus, bishop and martyr**.

4. At Rome, near Saint Peter's, **Saint Eugene, Pope**, who succeeded Saint Martin the martyr.

5. At the Bosphorus in the Propontis, **the passing of Saint Nicephorus, bishop** of Constantinople, who, a most ardent defender of the traditions of the fathers, opposed the iconoclast emperor Leo the Armenian steadfastly for the veneration of sacred Images; from whom he was driven from his see and long exiled in a monastery, and with a calm spirit migrated to the Lord.

6. At Acqui Statielli in the Subalpine region, **Saint Guido, bishop.**
 7. At Trani in Apulia, **Saint Nicholas**, who, **a pilgrim**, born in Greece, traveled through the region carrying a cross in his hand and praying without ceasing: “Kyrie eleison.”
 8. At Sandomierz on the Vistula River in Poland, **the blessed martyrs Sadok, priest, and companions** from the Order of Preachers, who, as it is said, were killed by the Tartars while singing the antiphon “Salve Regina,” greeting the very Mother of Life in their final moments.
 9. In the city of Au Thi in Tonkin, of **Saint Dominic Ninh, martyr**, who, a young **farmer**, because he refused to trample upon the cross of the Savior, suffered under the emperor Tụ Đức, his neck having been cut.
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June 3rd

This Day, the Third Day of June

Memorial of the Saints Charles Lwanga and twelve companions², who, born between fourteen and thirty years, either from the royal court of noble boys or assigned to the guard of King Mwanga himself, neophytes and vigorously adhering to the Catholic faith, when they had not wished to yield to the impure desires of the king, on the hill Namugongo in Uganda were partly killed by the sword, partly burned by fire.

2. At Carthage, **Saint Caecilius, priest**, who led Saint Cyprian to the faith of Christ.

3. At Carcassonne in Narbonese France, **Saint Hilary**, who is held to be the first bishop of this city, at which time the Goths were spreading the Arian heresy in this region.

4. At Tours in Lyon France, **Saint Clotilde, Queen**, at whose prayers her husband Clovis, king of the Franks, received the faith of Christ; she herself, after his death, withdrew piously to the basilica of Saint Martin, so that she might no longer be thought a queen, but rather a handmaid of God.

5. At Meung on the Loire in the territory of Orléans, likewise of France, **Saint Lifard, priest**, who there led a solitary life.

6. At Anagni in Campania, **Saint Olivia, Virgin**.

7. At Glendalough in Ireland, **Saint Coemgen, abbot**, who founded a monastery, in which he is held to have been the father and leader of many monks.

8. At Clermont in Aquitaine, **Saint Genesius, bishop** of Clermont, who was buried at Magnilocus in the church of the monastery founded by himself with a hospice.

9. At Córdoba in Vandalic Spain, **Saint Isaac, martyr**, who, a monk, under the power of the Moors, stirred not by human but by divine impulse, descending from the monastery of Tabanus into the forum, approached the judge, that he might contend with him about the true religion, for which he was condemned to death by beheading.

10. At Lucca in Etruria, **Saint Davinus**, who, Armenian by birth, having sold all goods, was a pilgrim for Christ and, after he had visited the holy places and the thresholds of the Apostles, is said to have died, afflicted by illness.

11. In the village Altkirch in the district of Basel of the Swiss, **Saint Morandus, monk**, who, born in the Rhineland, already a **priest**, went to Compostela and, returning from there, was made a monk at Cluny and founded a monastery, where he completed the course of a laborious life.

12. At Spello in Umbria, **blessed Andrew Caccioli**, who, the first **priest** numbered among the Friars Minor, received the habit of the Order from the hands of Saint Francis and stood by him as he died.

13. In the monastery of Saint Mary of Cadossa in Lucania, **Saint Conus, monk**, who, perfected in monastic conduct and innocence of life, in a short time, with God protecting, came to the summit of virtues.

14. At York in England, **blessed Francis Ingleby, priest and martyr**, who, an alumnus of the English College at Reims, under Queen Elizabeth the First, on account of the priesthood exercised in his homeland, was led to the punishment of the gallows.

15. At Jerez in Vandalic Spain, **Saint John Grande, religious** of the Order of Saint John of God, who, distinguished for charity toward captives, the abandoned, and those rejected by all, died, having himself been infected, while caring for those afflicted by plague.

16. At sea near Rochefort in Gallia, **blessed Charles René Callas du Bignon**, **priest** of the Society of Saint Sulpice **and martyr**, who, rector of the Minor Seminary of Bourges, with the French upheaval raging, because of the priesthood, was confined on a ship of servitude and, infected by verminous wounds, died.

17. In the city Au Thi in Tonkin, **Saint Peter Dong**, **martyr**, who, a **father of a family**, preferred to undergo immense tortures rather than trample the cross, and, when he had arranged to have inscribed on his face in place of the words “false religion” those words “true religion,” was beheaded under the emperor Tụ Đức.

18. In the village Bellegra in the Roman countryside, **blessed Didacus (Joseph) Oddi**, **religious** of the Order of Friars Minor, outstanding in prayer and simplicity of life.

19. At Rome, **blessed John, Pope the Twenty-Third**, who, imbued with singular humanity in life and works, with the greatest pastoral zeal strove to pour forth the abundance of Christian charity upon all and to cultivate the fraternal union of peoples and, especially concerned for the pastoral effectiveness of the Church of Christ throughout the whole world, convoked the Second Vatican Ecumenical Council.

June 4th

This Day, the Fourth Day of June

1. At Sabaria in Pannonia, **the passion of Saint Quirinus, bishop** of Siscia in Illyricum and martyr, who, under the emperor Galerius, for the faith of Christ, with a millstone tied to his neck, was hurled into the river.
2. At Constantinople, **Saint Metrophanes, bishop** of Byzantium, who consecrated New Rome to the Lord.
3. At Milevis in Numidia, **the commemoration of Saint Optatus, bishop**, who explained in his writings against the madness of the Donatists the universality of the Church and the necessary intimate unity of the faithful in Christ.
4. In Cornwall, **Saint Petroc of Wales, abbot**.
5. At Servigliano in Piceno of Italy, **Saint Walter, abbot** of the monastery of this place.
6. On the island of Sardinia, **Saints Nicholas and Trano, hermits**.
7. At Sàcceri in Sardinia, **blessed Pacificus Ramati, priest** of the Order of Friars Minor, who, preaching for the defense of Christians, passed to the Lord.
8. At Agnone in Abruzzo, **Saint Francis Caracciolo, priest**, who, inflamed with wondrous charity toward God and neighbor, *founded the Congregation of Clerics Regular Minor*.

9. At Lecce in Apulia, **blessed Philip Smaldone, priest**, who, with fervent zeal, dedicated himself to the care of deaf and mute poor and to their human and Christian formation, and *founded the Congregation of the Salesian Sisters of the Sacred Hearts*.

10. Near Munich of Bavaria in Germany, **blessed Anthony Zawistowski, priest, and Stanislaus Starowieyski, martyrs**, who, while war raged, within the detention camps of Dachau endured cruel torments for Christ and departed from earthly life.

June 5th

This Day, the Fifth Day of June

Memorial of **Saint Boniface, bishop and martyr**. When he was a monk, named Winfrid, having come from England to Rome, he was ordained bishop by Pope Saint Gregory II and, taking the name Boniface, was sent into Germany to announce the faith of Christ to those peoples. He gained great multitudes to the Christian religion and governed the see of Mainz. Finally, at Dokkum among the Frisians, struck down by the sword by raging pagans, he completed his martyrdom.

2. In Egypt, **Saints Marcian, Nicander, Apollonius, and companions, martyrs**, who, as is reported, on account of their confession of the Christian faith, after great

tortures, were enclosed within a wall and exposed to the burning sun, and were destroyed by heat, thirst, and hunger.

3. At Tyre in Phoenicia, **Saint Dorotheus, bishop**, who, while he was still a priest, suffered many things under the emperor Diocletian, and, having survived until the time of Julian, and being in his one hundred and seventh year, is said, under him, to have honored his venerable old age with **martyrdom** in Thrace.

4. At Clermont in Aquitaine, **Saint Illidius, bishop**, who, summoned to Trier by the emperor in order to free his daughter from an unclean spirit, on his return, passed to the Lord.

5. At Como in Liguria, **Saint Eucychius, bishop**, distinguished for prayer and love of solitude with God.

6. At Dokkum among the Frisians, the **Saints Eoban, bishop, Adelarius, and nine companions³, martyrs**, who, **with Saint Boniface**, were crowned in that same glorious struggle of his.

7. At Córdoba in the region of Vandalicia in Spain, **blessed Sancius, martyr**, who, a youth, having been taken from the town of Albi and trained in the royal court, in the persecution of the Moors did not hesitate to suffer martyrdom for the faith of Christ.

8. Near Asserico in the Vestini region, **Saint Franco, hermit**, who built a small cell beneath the cliffs in a cave, and there led a harsh and austere life.

9. At Ciani near Mileto in Calabria, **Saint Peter Spano, hermit**, notable for poverty and compunction.

10. At Hanoi in Tonkin, **Saint Luke Vil Ba Loan, priest and martyr**, who was beheaded for Christ under the emperor Minh Mạng.

11. In the city of Tang Gia, likewise in Tonkin, the **Saints Dominic Toai and Dominic Huyen, martyrs**, who, being **fathers of families and fishermen**, under the emperor Tự Đức, although in prolonged imprisonment and tortured with various torments, nevertheless with all their spirit encouraged their fellow prisoners to keep the faith, and at last completed martyrdom by fire.

June 6th

This Day, the Sixth Day of June

Saint Norbert, bishop, who, austere in manner and wholly devoted to union with God and to the preaching of the Gospel, near Laon in France established *the Order of Canons Regular of Prémontré*, and, having become an outstanding pastor at Magdeburg in Saxony, reformed Christian life and strove to spread the faith to neighboring peoples.

2. At Rome on the Via Aurelia at the second milestone, **the Saints Artemius and Paulina, martyrs**.

3. At Scetis in Egypt, **Saint Bessarion, anchorite**, who for love of God lived as a beggar and pilgrim.

4. At Grenoble in Burgundy, **Saint Ceratius, bishop**, who gave thanks to Pope Saint Leo the Great for the letters written to Flavian, and kept his flock unharmed from heresy.
5. At Milan in Liguria, **Saint Eustorgius the Second, bishop**, who, renowned for piety, justice, and the virtues of a shepherd, built a notable baptistery.
6. In Ireland, **Saint Jarlath, bishop**.
7. On Mount Jura, **Saint Claudius**, who is believed to have been **bishop and abbot** of the monastery of Condat.
8. In the region of Bologna in Emilia, **the passing of Saint Alexander, bishop** of Fiesole, who, returning from the city of Pavia, where he had recovered the goods of his Church from usurpers before the king of the Lombards, was thrown into a river by them and drowned.
9. At Constantinople, **Saint Hilarion, priest and hegumen** of the monastery called Dalmatian, who suffered imprisonment, scourging, and exile unyieldingly for the veneration of sacred Images.
10. In the Orkney Islands facing Scotland, **Saint Colman, bishop**.
11. In the monastery of Cava in Campania, **blessed Falcon, abbot**.
12. At Clermont in Aquitaine, **Saint Gilbert, abbot** of the Premonstratensian Order, who, first a hermit, later built the monastery and hospital of Neufontaines.

13. At Udine in Venetia, **blessed Bertrand, bishop** of Aquileia **and martyr**, who diligently provided for the formation of the clergy, fed the poor at his own expense in a time of famine, vigorously defended the rights of his Church, and, at ninety years of age, died from wounds inflicted by assassins.

14. At Ortona in Abruzzo, **blessed Lawrence of Villamagna of Masculis, priest** of the Order of Friars Minor, illustrious for his preaching of the word of God.

15. At London in England, **blessed William Greenwood, martyr**, of the Carthusian house of that city, who, because of his tenacious loyalty to the Church under King Henry the Eighth, completed martyrdom, worn out by the filth of prison, hunger, and disease.

16. At the city of Saint-Chamond in the region of Lyon in France, **Saint Marcellin Champagnat, priest** of the Society of Mary, who founded *the Institute of the Little Brothers of Mary* for the Christian education of boys.

17. In the city of Luong My in Tonkin, **the holy martyrs Peter Dung and Peter Thuan, fishermen, and Vincent Dung, farmer**, who, having steadfastly refused to trample the cross, were condemned to fire under the emperor Tự Đức.

18. At Mexico City, **the passing of blessed Raphael Guízar Valencia, bishop** of Veracruz in Mexico, who, during a time of persecution, exercised his episcopal ministry energetically either in exile or in secret.

19. At Sachsenhausen in Germany, **blessed Innocent Guz, priest** of the Order of Friars Minor Conventual **and martyr**, who, of Polish origin, in his homeland invaded by followers of contrary opinions and religions, was detained by the guards of the detention camps and was murdered for the faith of Christ.

June 7th

This Day, the Seventh Day of June

1. In Ireland, **Saint Colman, bishop and abbot** of the monastery of Dromore, founded by himself, who labored wonderfully for Christ in the region of Down.
2. At Córdoba in the region of Vandalicia of Spain, **the holy martyrs Peter, priest, Wallabonsus, deacon, Sabinian, Wistremund, Habentius, and Jeremias, monks**, who were slaughtered for Christ in the persecution of the Moors.
3. At New Minster in Northumbria of England, **Saint Robert, abbot**, of the Cistercian Order, who, devoted to poverty and prayer, founded this monastery with twelve monks, from which in a short time three bands of monks issued forth.
4. At Antwerp in Brabant, **blessed Anne of Saint Bartholomew, virgin** of the Order of Discalced Carmelites, who, disciple and secretary of Saint Teresa of Jesus and endowed with mystical gifts, spread and continually renewed the Order in France.
5. At Piacenza in Emilia, **the passing of Saint Anthony Mary Gianelli, bishop** of Bobbio, who founded the Congregation of *the Daughters of Mary Most Holy of the Garden* and shone with zeal and renowned example in caring for the poor and the salvation of souls, and in promoting the holiness of the clergy.

6. At Paris in France, **blessed Mary Theresa of Soubiran La Louvière, virgin**, who, for the greater glory of God, founded *the Society of Mary Helper*, from which having been expelled, she lived the rest of her life in the utmost humility.

June 8th

This Day, the Eighth Day of June

1. At Aix-en-Provence in France, **Saint Maximin**, to whom the beginnings of the Christian faith in this city are ascribed.

2. At Rouen likewise in France, **Saint Gildard, bishop**.

3. At Soissons likewise in France, **Saint Medard, bishop** of the Vermandois, who, after the destruction of this city, transferred his see to the town of Noyon, from which he devoted all his care to converting the people from pagan superstitions to the doctrine of Christ.

4. At Fano in Piceno of Italy, **Saint Fortunatus, bishop**, who was constant in redeeming captives.

5. At Metz in Austrasia, **Saint Clodulph, bishop**, son of Saint Arnulf and counselor to the king.

6. At York in England, **Saint William Fitzherbert, bishop**, who, a kind and gentle man, having been unjustly deposed from his see, took refuge among the

monks of Winchester, and, having been restored to his see, forgave his enemies and reconciled peace among the citizens.

7. At London likewise in England, **blessed John Davy, deacon**, of the Carthusian house of this city **and martyr**, who, under King Henry the Eighth, because of his fidelity to the Church and to the Roman Pontiff, was cruelly tormented in prison and there died, consumed by hunger.

8. At Ambiatibe in Madagascar, **blessed Jacques Berthieu, priest** of the Society of Jesus **and martyr**, who strove earnestly for the Gospel in both peace and war, and, having been expelled from the missions three times, was finally tried with kicks out of hatred for the faith, and, though called many times in vain to apostatize, was put to death.

9. At Porto in Portugal, **blessed Mary of the Divine Heart of Jesus Droste zu Vischering, virgin**, of the Congregation of the Sisters of Charity of the Good Shepherd, who wonderfully promoted devotion to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus.

10. In the village of Kuzhikkattussery in Kerala, India, **blessed Mary Theresa Chiramel Mankidiyan, virgin**, who, through her eremitical life and outstanding austerity of penance, sought Christ in the poorest and most abandoned of all, and founded *the Congregation of the Sisters of the Holy Family*.

11. At Cagliari in Sardinia, **blessed Nicholas of Gesturi (John) Medda, religious** of the Order of Friars Minor Capuchin, who, always ready to help the needy, constantly inspired many by his example of virtue and kindness in charity toward the poor.

June 9th

This Day, the Ninth Day of June

Saint Ephraem, deacon and Doctor of the Church, who first exercised in Nisibis, his homeland, the office of preaching and handing on sacred doctrine; then, when the Persians had invaded Nisibis, he fled with his disciples to Edessa in Osrhoene, where he laid the foundations of a theological school, fulfilling his ministry by words and writings, and so outstanding in austerity of life and doctrine that, on account of the exquisite hymns he composed, he merited to be called the “Lyre of the Holy Spirit.”

2. On the Via Nomentana at the Arenae, at the fifteenth milestone from the city of Rome, **the Saints Primus and Felician, martyrs.**

3. At Nicaea in Bithynia, **Saint Diomedes, martyr.**

4. At Vernemetum in the district of Agen in Aquitaine, **Saint Vincent, martyr,** who, while the inhabitants were celebrating a festival in honor of the sun, is said to have completed the contest for the name of Christ.

5. At Syracuse in Sicily, **Saint Maximian, bishop,** whom Pope Saint Gregory the Great often mentions.

6. On the island of Iona in Scotland, **Saint Columba, or Colum Cille, priest and abbot,** who, born in Ireland and trained in monastic precepts, there and later in Iona founded monasteries distinguished for the discipline of life and the cultivation

of letters, until, worn out by old age, awaiting the final day, he rested in the Lord before the altar.

7. At Andria in Apulia, **Saint Richard, bishop**, English by nation and renowned in virtue, who devoutly received the relics of Saints Erasmus and Pontian.

8. At London in England, **blessed Robert Salt, martyr, monk** of the Carthusian house of this city, who, because of his fidelity to the Church against King Henry the Eighth, was held in the prison of Newgate, and died of hunger.

9. At Reritiba in Brazil, **blessed Joseph Anchieta, priest** of the Society of Jesus, who, born in the Canary Islands, throughout nearly the entire course of his life devoted himself zealously and fruitfully to missionary works in Brazil.

10. Off the seacoast before Rochefort in France, **blessed Joseph Imbert, priest and martyr**, who, formerly of the Society of Jesus, in the time of the French upheaval, made Apostolic Vicar of Moulins by Pope Pius the Sixth, was cast into a prison ship out of hatred for the Church, where, infected by deadly contagion, he died.

11. At Rome, **blessed Anna Maria Taigi, mother of a family**, who, oppressed by a violent husband, remained devoted to his care and to the education of their seven children, never neglecting spiritual and material concern for the poor and the sick.

June 10th

This Day, the Tenth Day of June

1. At Auxerre in Lyonnaise France, **Saint Censurius, bishop**.
2. At Paris in Neustria, **Saint Landericus, bishop**, who is said to have sold sacred vessels to aid the poor during a time of famine and to have rebuilt a hospital next to the cathedral church.
3. At Rochester in England, **Saint Ithamar, bishop**, who, the first of the people of Kent to be called to the episcopal order, shone forth by the dignity of his life and by his learning.
4. At Dobrowa in Poland, **the natal day of Saint Bogumil, bishop** of Gniezno, who, having abdicated his see, led a hermit's life there, worn out by austerities.
5. At Bologna in Emilia, **blessed Diana d'Andalò, virgin**, who, having removed all obstacles posed by her family, vowed the purpose of a cloistered life in the hands of Saint Dominic himself, and entered the monastery of Saint Agnes, founded by her.
6. At Treviso in Venetia, **blessed Henry of Balsano**, who, **a woodworker and illiterate**, gave all things to the poor, and although weakened in strength, would still beg a meager alms which he would share with the beggars.
7. At Buda in Hungary, the passing of **blessed John Dominici, bishop** of Ragusa, who, after the Black Plague, restored regular observance in the convents of the Order of Preachers in Italy, and was sent to Bohemia and Hungary to oppose the preaching of John Hus; there he died.

8. At London in England, **the blessed martyrs Thomas Green, priest, and Walter Pierson, monk** of the Carthusian house of that city, who, because they opposed King Henry the Eighth claiming supreme authority in ecclesiastical matters, were shut up in a filthy prison and, afflicted by hunger and disease, died gloriously.

9. At Turin in Italy, **blessed Marcantonio Durando, priest** of the Congregation of the Mission, who founded *the Congregation of the Sisters of Jesus the Nazarene* for the care of the sick and abandoned youth.

10. In the town of Moerzeke-lez-Termonde near Ghent in Belgium, **blessed Edward Poppe, priest**, who, in the straits of his time, by his writings and preaching promoted Christian formation and devotion to the Eucharist throughout Flanders.

June 11th

This Day, the Eleventh Day of June

Memorial of **Saint Barnabas, Apostle**, who, a good man and full of the Holy Spirit and faith, numbered among the first faithful in Jerusalem, preached the Gospel at Antioch and introduced Saul of Tarsus, scarcely converted, into the number of the brethren, and accompanied him on his first journey to evangelize Asia; he also participated in the Council of Jerusalem and, having returned to the island of Cyprus, his homeland, spread the Gospel.

2. At Naples in Campania, **Saint Maximus, bishop**, who, on account of the Nicene faith, was driven into exile by the emperor Constantius and there, consumed by hardships, died as a **confessor** of the faith.
3. At Bremen in Saxony, **Saint Rimbert, bishop** of Hamburg and likewise of Bremen, who, a faithful disciple and successor of Saint Ansgar, extended his ministry to the borders of Denmark and Sweden and, at the time of the Norman invasions, took care to ransom Christian captives.
4. At Mainz in Franconia of Germany, **blessed Bardon, bishop**, who, first abbot of Hersfeld, having been elevated to the episcopal order, cared excellently for the Church with tireless pastoral concern.
5. In the monastery of Camera near Brussels in Brabant, **Saint Aleydis, virgin** of the Cistercian Order, who, at twenty-two years of age, afflicted with leprosy, was forced to live a recluse life, and in the final years of her life, having also lost her sight, not even one member of her body remained healthy except her tongue for singing the praises of God.
6. At Treviso in Venetia, **Saint Parisio, priest** of the Camaldolese Order, who aided nuns for seventy-seven years with salutary counsels in spiritual matters, and died in the one hundred and eighth year of life.
7. At Gniezno in Poland, **blessed Jolenta, abbess**, who, after the death of her husband Boleslaus the Pious, duke, renounced earthly riches and professed the monastic life with her daughter in the Order of Saint Clare.
8. At Saluzzo in the Subalpine region, **blessed Stephen Bandelli, priest** of the Order of Preachers, outstanding in preaching and constant in hearing confessions.

9. At Salamanca in Spain, **Saint John of Saint Facundus González de Castrillo, priest** of the Order of Hermits of Saint Augustine, who restored concord among citizens stirred by bloody factions through private conversations and the holiness of his life.

10. At Tortosa in Spain, **Saint Rosa Francisca María of the Sorrows (María Rosa) Molas Vallvé, virgin**, who transformed a sodality of pious women into *the Congregation of the Sisters of Our Lady of Consolation*, dedicated to the service of the afflicted.

11. At Rome, **Saint Paula Frassinetti, virgin**, who, having overcome many difficulties at the beginning, founded *the Congregation of the Sisters of Saint Dorothy* to instruct girls in Christian doctrine, and with strong spirit and great harmony of gentleness and zeal, she steadfastly pursued her work.

12. At Ragusa in Sicily, **blessed Maria Schininà, virgin**, who chose to live humbly and simply to care for the sick, the abandoned, and the poor, and established *the Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus*, so that they might provide help to every kind of misery.

13. In the village of Kara-Kenpru near Amida in Turkey, **blessed Ignatius Maloyan, bishop** of the Armenians of Mardin **and martyr** in the genocide of Christians of that region, carried out by persecutors of the faith, who, because he refused to embrace a foreign religion, having fed the captives with the consecrated bread for spiritual nourishment, pierced with innumerable bullets together with the Christian faithful, by the shedding of blood attained the reward of perpetual peace.

June 12th

This Day, the Twelfth Day of June

1. At Loreto on the Via Aurelia at the twelfth milestone from the City, **Saint Basilides, martyr**.
2. In Egypt, **Saint Onuphrius, anchorite**, who in the vast desert spent sixty years living a religious life.
3. At Rome, near Saint Peter's, **Saint Leo the Third, pope**, who bestowed the crown of the Roman Empire on Charles the Great, king of the Franks, and gave the utmost effort to defending the right faith and the divine dignity of the Son of God.
4. At Utrecht in Gelderland of Lotharingia, **Saint Odulph, priest**, who evangelized the Frisians.
5. In Sweden, **Saint Eskil, bishop and martyr**, who, English by birth, was ordained bishop by Saint Sigfrid his teacher, and devoted himself intensely with many labors for Christ among the pagans in the province of Södermanland, by whom, indeed, he was stoned.
6. At Cortona in Etruria, **blessed Guido, priest**, who, a disciple of Saint Francis, led a life of fasting, poverty, and humility.
7. Near Ocre in Abruzzo, **blessed Placidus, abbot**, who first, as a hermit in a cave, then in the monastery of the Holy Spirit, gathered disciples.

8. At Città di Castello in Umbria, **blessed Florida (Lucretia Helena) Cevoli, virgin** of the Order of Poor Clares, who, although afflicted in body with wounds, fulfilled the duties entrusted to her with diligence and cheerfulness.

9. At Verona in Venetia, **Saint Gaspar Bertoni, priest**, who founded *the Congregation of the Sacred Stigmata of Our Lord Jesus Christ*, whose members were to be missionaries at the service of bishops.

10. At Capranica in the countryside of Viterbo near Rome, **blessed Laurence Mary of Saint Francis Xavier Salvi, priest** of the Congregation of the Passion, who spread devotion toward the infant Jesus.

11. At Riobamba in Ecuador, **blessed Mercedes Mary of Jesus Molina, virgin**, who founded a religious community whose mission was to receive and educate orphaned and poor girls and to rescue women fallen into vice and to strengthen them in a new life of grace.

12. At Ragusa in Sicily of Italy, **blessed Maria Candida of the Eucharist Barba, virgin** of the Order of Discalced Carmelites, who showed supreme consecration of life and observance of the rule, and gave great care to the building of new monasteries.

June 13th

This Day, the Thirteenth Day of June

Memorial of **Saint Anthony, priest and Doctor of the Church**, who, Portuguese by country, already a Canon Regular, entered the newly founded Order of Friars Minor, in order to devote himself to spreading the faith among the peoples of Africa; but fulfilling the office of preaching in Italy and France with great fruit, he drew many to the true doctrine; and he wrote sermons filled with doctrine and sweetness, and by the command of Saint Francis he taught theology to the brothers, until at Padua he passed to the Lord.

2. On the Via Ardeatina at the seventh milestone from the city of Rome, **Saint Felicula, martyr**.

3. At Alexandria in Egypt, **blessed Achilleus, bishop**, who was distinguished in learning, faith, conduct, and morals.

4. At Leucosia in Cyprus, **Saint Triphyllius, bishop**, who vigorously defended the Nicene orthodox faith, a most eloquent orator of his age and a wondrous expositor of the Song of Songs, as Saint Jerome relates.

5. In Abruzzo, **Saint Cetheus (also called Peregrinus), bishop** of Amiternum, who, when the Lombards were overrunning the region, falsely accused of betraying the city, was condemned to death and drowned in a river.

6. At Alexandria in Egypt, **Saint Eulogius, bishop**, celebrated for his doctrine, to whom Saint Gregory the Great, Pope, sent many letters, writing of him: "He is by no means far from me, who is one with me."

7. Near Limoges in Aquitaine, **Saint Psalmodius, hermit**.

8. In the borders of Lyons in France, **Saint Ragnebert, martyr**, who, born of noble stock and adorned with noble virtues, was so hated by Ebroin, master of the palace, that he was afflicted with exile and finally with death.
9. In the valley of Arbas in the Pyrenees mountains, **Saint Aventinus, hermit and martyr**, who is said to have been killed by the Moors.
10. At Córdoba in the region of Andalusia, Spain, **Saint Fandilas, priest, monk [and martyr]**, who, in the persecution by the Moors under the reign of Muhammad I, was beheaded for the faith of Christ.
11. In the monastery of Clairvaux in Burgundy, **blessed Gerard, monk**, brother of Saint Bernard, who, though unlearned in letters, nevertheless had great discernment and perception in spiritual matters.
12. Near Huu in Annam, **Saints Augustine Phan Viet Huy and Nicholas Bui Viet The, martyrs**, who, having been struck with fear, trampled the cross, but, desiring to atone for the punishment of their sin, immediately sought from the emperor Minh Mạng to be judged again as Christians; therefore, they were cut alive on a ship and attained the heavenly joys.
13. In the town of Naumowicze near Grodno in Poland, **blessed Maria Anna Biernacka, mother of a family and martyr**, who, during the occupation regime in wartime, freely offered herself in place of her pregnant daughter-in-law to the soldiers, and being pierced immediately with bullets, received the glorious palm of martyrdom.

June 14th

This Day, the Fourteenth Day of June

1. At Samaria or Sebaste in Palestine, the commemoration of **Saint Elisha**, who, a disciple of Elijah, was a prophet in Israel during the time of King Joram until the days of Joash; and although he left behind no oracles, nevertheless, by performing miracles for strangers, he announced salvation to come for all men.
2. At Aquileia in Venetia, **Saint Pratus, martyr**.
3. Near Soissons in Belgic France, the **Saints Valerius and Rufinus, martyrs**.
4. At Naples in Campania, **Saint Fortunatus, bishop**.
5. At Vienne in Burgundy, **Saint Etherius, bishop**.
6. At Constantinople, **Saint Methodius, bishop**, who, while he was a monk, went to Rome to Pope Paschal I in defense of sacred Images, and, having been raised to the episcopate, solemnly celebrated the triumph of the orthodox faith.
7. At Córdoba in the region of Andalusia in Spain, **the holy martyrs Anastasius, priest, Felix, monk, and Digna, virgin**, who all died together on the same day. Anastasius, having professed the Christian faith before the Moorish officials, was immediately killed by the sword; and with him Felix, a Getulian by nation, who had lived the Catholic faith and monastic life through Asturias; and Digna, a young

maiden, who had strongly rebuked the judge for their condemnation, was immediately beheaded.

June 15th

This Day, the Fifteenth Day of June

1. **The commemoration of Saint Amos, prophet**, whom, a herdsman of Tekoa and a dresser of sycamores, the Lord sent to the children of Israel, that he might vindicate His justice and holiness against their transgressions.
2. At Dorostorum in Moesia, **Saint Hesychius**, who, **a soldier**, was arrested with blessed Julius and, after him, under the governor Maximus, was crowned with martyrdom.
3. In Lucania, **Saint Vitus, martyr**.
4. At Clermont in Aquitaine, **Saint Abraham, monk**, who, born on the bank of the river Euphrates, went into Egypt to visit the hermits, but, apprehended by pagans, was held in chains for five years; afterward, he came into France to the Arverni, where he withdrew into the monastery of Saint Cyricus and died full of days.
5. At Crespin in Hainaut, **Saint Landelin, abbot**, who, converted from banditry to the practice of virtues by Saint Autbert, bishop, founded the monastery of Lobbes and afterward went to Crespin, where he departed from life.

6. At Séez in Neustria, **Saint Lothair, bishop**, who, having laid down his office, is said to have met a solitary death.
7. At Córdoba in the region of Andalusia in Spain, **Saint Benildis, martyr**, who, already advanced in age, died in the persecution by the Moors.
8. On Mount Joux in the Valais, **Saint Bernard of Menthon, priest**, who, canon and archdeacon of Aosta, lived for many years among the highest Alpine passes, and there he built a very renowned monastery and established hospices for travelers on two mountains, which are still celebrated under his name.
9. At Ratzeburg in Holstein, Germany, **Saint Isfrid, bishop**, who, maintaining the customs of the Premonstratensian Canons, devoted himself to the evangelization of the Wends.
10. At London in England, **blessed Thomas Scryven, martyr, monk** of the Carthusian house of that city, who, under King Henry VIII, kept the faith of the Church, and for that reason, consumed by hunger in prison, received the crown of martyrdom.
11. Likewise at York in England, **the blessed martyrs Peter Snow, priest, and Ralph Grimston**, who, under Queen Elizabeth I, were condemned to death, one because he was a priest, the other because he had tried to rescue him from his captors and suffered the punishment of the gibbet.
12. At Pibrac in the region of Toulouse in France, **Saint Germana, virgin**, who, born of unknown parents and from childhood subjected to a servile life and infirmities, endured all kinds of hardships with strong spirit and cheerful face, until in the twenty-second year of her age she peacefully passed away.

13. At Bergamo in Italy, **blessed Aloysius Mary Palazzolo, priest**, who founded *the Congregations of the Little Sisters of the Poor* and of *the Brothers of the Holy Family*.

14. In the village of Qianshengzhuang near the city of Liushuitao in Hebei Province of China, **Saint Barbara Cui Lianzhi, martyr**, who, after her son had already been killed, while seeking safety by flight at night, was captured by the enemies of the Christians and, most cruelly tortured, died.

June 16th

This Day, the Sixteenth Day of June

1. In the regions of Asia, **the commemoration of the Saints Quiricus and Julitta, martyrs**.

2. At Vesontio in France of Lyon, **the Saints Ferreolus and Ferrutius, martyrs**.

3. At Nantes likewise in Lyon, **Saint Similianus, bishop**, whom Saint Gregory of Tours praises as a great confessor.

4. At Amathus in Cyprus, **Saint Tychon, bishop**, in the time of the Emperor Theodosius the Younger.

5. At Mainz in Belgic France, **the Saints Aureus, bishop, Justina, his sister, and fellow martyrs**, who, while they were celebrating the Eucharist, are said to have been slain by pagan Huns.

6. At Lyon in France, **the deposition of Saint Aurelian, bishop** of Arles, who, named as vicar in France by Pope Vigilius, erected two monasteries in his city, one for men and one for women, giving to them a rule of their own.

7. At Carrara in Etruria, **the passing of Saint Ceccardus, bishop** of Luni and Sarzana, who, near the marble quarries, having been unjustly slain by certain marble workers, is considered a **martyr**.

8. At Meissen in Saxony, **Saint Benno, bishop**, who, since he wished to preserve the unity of the Church and fidelity to the Roman Pontiff, was cast out from his see and endured exile.

9. In the monastery of Cistercian nuns at Aywières in Brabant, **Saint Lutgardis, virgin**, remarkable for her devotion to the Sacred Heart of the Lord.

10. At London in England, **blessed Thomas Reding, martyr, monk** of the Charterhouse of that city, who, under King Henry the Eighth, firmly adhered to the unity of the Church, and therefore, confined immobile in bonds in the filth of prison, wasted away by hunger and disease, died.

11. At anchor in the sea before the port of Rochefort in France, **blessed Anthony Constantius Auriel, priest and martyr**, who, a parochial vicar of Cahors, during the times of the French upheaval, on account of the priesthood, having been confined in a filthy ship, soon afflicted with disease, gave up his spirit while helping fellow captives.

12. In the city of Lang Co in Tonkin, **the holy martyrs Dominic Nguyễn, a physician, Dominic Nhi, Dominic Mao, Vincent and Andrew Tuong, farmers**, who, having been arrested together for the Christian faith and tortured with many torments in prison, were finally beheaded under the emperor Tự Đức.

13. In the district of Ingenbohl near Schwyz in Switzerland, **blessed Mary Theresa (Anna Maria Catharina) Scherer, virgin**, who governed the Sisters of Charity of the Holy Cross as their first superior.

June 17th

This Day, the Seventeenth Day of June

- 1.** At Rome, on the Old Salarian Way at the Seven Palumbas, **the Saints Blastus and Diogenes, martyrs**.
- 2.** At Apollonia in Macedonia, **the Saints Isaurus, Innocentius, Felix, Hermias, Peregrinus, and Basilius, martyrs**.
- 3.** At Durostorum in Moesia, **the holy martyrs Nicander and Marcian**, who, **soldiers**, rejecting the donative and firmly refusing to sacrifice to the gods, were condemned to death by beheading by the governor Maximus in the persecution of the emperor Diocletian.
- 4.** At Vesontio in France of Lyons, **Saint Antidius, bishop and martyr**, who is said to have received the capital sentence under Crocus, king of the Vandals.

5. In Bithynia, **Saint Hypatius, hegumen** of the monastery of the Rufiniani, who by his austere life and strict fasts taught his disciples obedience to the perfect monastic way of life, and to seculars the fear of God.

6. In Brittany, **Saint Herveus, hermit**, who, as it is said, deprived of the light of the sun from birth, nevertheless sweetly sang the joys of paradise.

7. At Orléans in France, **Saint Avitus, abbot**.

8. At Pisa in Etruria, **Saint Rainerius**, poor and pilgrim for Christ.

9. At Lorbão in Lusitania, **Saint Teresa**, who, **queen of León and mother** of three children, after the death of her husband, led the regular life in a monastery founded by herself, under the Cistercian rule.

10. At Venice, **blessed Peter Gambacorta**, founder of *the Order of Hermits of Saint Jerome*, whose first religious were bandits converted by him.

11. At Naples in Campania, **blessed Paul Burali**, of the Order of Clerics Regular of the Theatines, first **bishop** of Piacenza, then of Naples, who devoted himself to restoring ecclesiastical discipline and strengthening in faith the flock entrusted to him.

12. On the coast of France, in a ship at anchor before Rochefort, **blessed Philip Papon, priest** of the Diocese of Autun **and martyr**, who, as pastor, during the French upheaval, was cast into the shame of captivity on account of the priesthood, and, after he had absolved a dying fellow prisoner, himself died.

13. At the place Qua Linh in Tonkin, **Saint Peter Da, martyr**, who, a **woodworker and sacristan**, though tortured with many and cruel torments, remained firm in the profession of faith, and at last, thrown into the flames, died under the emperor Tụ Đức.

June 18th

This Day, the Eighteenth Day of June

- 1.** At Rome, in the cemetery of Balbina on the Ardeatine Way, **Saints Marcus and Marcellianus, martyrs** in the persecution of the emperor Diocletian, whom the same suffering made brothers.
- 2.** At Tripoli in Phoenicia, **Saint Leontius, a soldier**, who, having endured harsh torments in prison, came to the crown of martyrdom.
- 3.** In Africa, **Saints Cyriacus and Paula, martyrs**.
- 4.** At Bordeaux in Aquitaine, **Saint Amandus, bishop**, who instructed and baptized Saint Paulinus of Nola in the doctrine of truth, often praised by him.
- 5.** On Mount Cronius near the Baths of Selinunte in western Sicily, **Saint Calogerus, hermit**.
- 6.** At Schönaue in the Rhineland of Germany, **Saint Elizabeth, virgin**, renowned for observance of monastic life.

7. At Mantua in Lombardy, **blessed Hosanna Andreasi, virgin**, who, having been clothed with the habit of the Sisters of the Penance of Saint Dominic, joined the contemplation of divine things with secular activities and care for good works with marvelous wisdom.

8. At Padua in Venetia, **Saint Gregory Barbarigo, bishop**, who established a seminary for clerics, taught boys catechism in their own language, held a synod and meetings with the clergy, opened very many schools, was generous to all, but strict with himself.

June 19th

This Day, the Nineteenth Day of June

Saint Romuald, anchorite and father of the Camaldolese monks, who, originating from Ravenna, desiring the hermit life and discipline, journeyed through Italy for many years, rebuilding small monasteries and promoting the evangelical life among monks everywhere with tireless effort, until he happily completed his labors in the monastery of Val di Castro in Picenum of Italy.

2. At Milan in Liguria, **the commemoration of Saints Gervasius and Protasius, martyrs**, whose bodies Saint Ambrose found and transferred on this day with solemn procession into the new basilica rebuilt by him.

3. On Mount Vosges in Burgundy of Austrasia, **Saint Deodatus, bishop** of Nevers, who is said to have founded a monastery in the place later named after him.
4. In the monastery of Fiscamno in Neustria, **Saint Childomarca, abbess**, who kindly received and cared for Saint Leodegar, mutilated by Ebroin.
5. At Zaragoza in Spain, **Saint Lambert, martyr**.
6. At Caltagirone in Sicily, **the translation of blessed Gerlandus**, who, a knight of the Order of Saint John of Jerusalem, dedicated himself with generous spirit to widows and children deprived of parents.
7. At Florence in Etruria, **Saint Juliana Falconieri, virgin**, who founded *the Sisters of the Order of the Servants of Mary*, called “Mantellate” because of their religious habit.
8. At Pesaro in Picenum of Italy, **blessed Michelina, widow**, who gave all her goods to the poor and, having been clothed with the habit of the Third Order of Saint Francis, lived a humble life and one disciplined with correction, begging for bread.
9. At London in England, blessed Martyrs Sebastian Newdigate, Humphrey Middlemore, **and William Exmew, priests** of the Charterhouse of that same city, who, under King Henry the Eighth, having been confined in prison because they had firmly persevered as faithful to the Church of Christ, stood bound to pillars with iron manacles for seventeen days, and afterward completed their martyrdom by the punishment of hanging at Tyburn.

10. In the same place, **blessed Thomas Woodhouse, priest** of the Society of Jesus **and martyr**, who, ordained priest under Queen Mary the Catholic, then in the persecution under Queen Elizabeth the First, was detained for more than twelve years because of the faith, gave vigorous effort to reconciling captives with the Catholic Church, until he was crowned with martyrdom at Tyburn on the gallows.

11. In the village of Wuyi near Science City in the Hebei Province of China, **Saints Remigius Isoré and Modest Andlauer, priests** of the Society of Jesus and martyrs, who, during the persecution carried out by followers of the “Yihetuan” faction, were killed while praying before the altar.

June 20th

This Day, the Twentieth Day of June

1. Commemoration of Saint Methodius, bishop of Olympus **and martyr**, who composed books in a clear and well-ordered style of speech and, at the end of the persecution of the emperor Diocletian, was crowned with martyrdom.

2. In the region of Laon in Neustria, **Saint Goban, priest**, who, born in Ireland and made a disciple of Saint Fursa in England, for the love of Christ departed for France and led a hermit life in the forests.

3. In the monastery of Saint James at Foggia in Apulia, **Saint John of Matera, abbot**, who, distinguished among the people for austerity and preaching, established in the region of Gargano the Pulsano Congregation under the observance of the Rule of Saint Benedict.

4. In the monastery of Medingen in Bavaria, **blessed Margaret Ebner, virgin** of the Order of Preachers, who, enduring many afflictions for Christ, led a life beneficial for her own salvation, admirable to all and pleasing to God, and wrote many things concerning the mystical life.

5. At Dublin in Ireland, **the passion of blessed Dermot O'Hurley, bishop and martyr**, who, a layman skilled in law, by the will of Pope Gregory XIII was made bishop of Cashel, and under Queen Elizabeth I, after being interrogated and tortured for many months, steadfastly rejected calumnies, and before the gallows set up at Hoggen Green declared that he would die for the Catholic faith and the episcopal office.

6. In the same place, **the commemoration of blessed Margaret Ball, martyr**, who, having become a widow, received into her home several sought-after priests and, being denounced by her own son, was ordered to be arrested and, after various kinds of mistreatment, died in prison at over seventy years of age, on an unknown day.

7. At Nagasaki in Japan, **blessed Martyrs Francis Pacheco, priest, and eight companions**, of the Society of Jesus, who were condemned to the fire out of hatred for the faith.

8. At London in England, **blessed Martyrs Thomas Whitbread and companions William Harcourt, John Fenwick, John Gavan, and Anthony Turner, priests** of the Society of Jesus, who, falsely accused of conspiracy against the life of King Charles II, completed martyrdom at Tyburn for the kingdom of heaven.

June 21st

This Day, the Twenty-first Day of June

Memorial of **Saint Aloysius Gonzaga, religious**, who, born of the stock of princes and most illustrious in innocence of life, having handed over his hereditary principality to his brother, joined the Society of Jesus in Rome, but, with his strength broken by attending to those afflicted with a pestilential disease, met death while still a youth.

2. At Grel in Brittany Minor, **Saint Mevennus, abbot**, who, originally from Wales, withdrew into the forest of inland Armorica and founded a monastery.
3. In the region of Évreux in Neustria, **Saint Leutfrid, abbot**, who founded the monastery of the Holy Cross, over which he presided for about forty-eight years.
4. At Bourges in Aquitaine, **Saint Ralph, bishop**, who, concerned for the priestly life, took care to gather with the priests of the Church entrusted to him, {reading} chapters from the sayings of the Holy Fathers and the canons for pastoral use.
5. At Huesca in Aragon, **Saint Raymond**, who, having become **bishop** of Roda and Barbastro from a Canon Regular, never wished to defeat the enemies of the Christian name by military force, for which reason he was expelled from his see for three years.
6. At Orvieto in Tuscany, **blessed Thomas, religious** of the Order of the Servants of Mary.

7. At London in England, **Saint John Rigby, martyr**, who, under Queen Elizabeth I, having been seized at London and condemned to death because he had reconciled himself to the Catholic Church, was hanged at Southwark and, while still living, was disemboweled.

8. On a ship anchored off Rochefort in France, **blessed James Morelle Dupas, priest and martyr**, who, condemned to imprisonment because he had exercised parish ministry in the region of Poitiers during the time of French upheaval, strict with himself but gentle toward others, died consumed by starvation.

9. In the region of Zapotlanejo in Mexico, **Saint Joseph Isabel Flores, priest and martyr** in the time of the great persecution.

June 22nd

This Day, the Twenty-second Day of June

Saint **Paulinus, bishop**, who, having received baptism at Bordeaux and relinquished the consulship, from being most noble and wealthy became poor and humble for Christ; and, having gone to Nola in Campania to the tomb of Saint Felix the priest, so that he might follow closely the example of his life, led an ascetical way of life with his wife and companions; but, having become bishop, distinguished for learning and holiness, he assisted pilgrims and diligently supported the poor.

Saints **John Fisher, bishop, and Thomas More, martyrs**, who, when they resisted King Henry the Eighth regarding the controversy of repudiating his marriage and the primacy of the Roman Pontiff, were cast into the Tower of London in England. John Fisher, bishop of Rochester, a man most distinguished for learning and uprightness of life, was beheaded on this day by the order of the king himself before the prison; but Thomas More, an upright father of a family and president of the council of the nation's governors, was, on the sixth of July, joined in martyrdom with the venerable bishop because of his fidelity maintained toward the Catholic Church.

3. At Rome, **the commemoration of Saint Flavius Clemens, martyr**, who by the emperor Domitian, with whom he had held the consulship, was killed under the pretext of being a “denier of the gods,” but really on account of his faith of Christ.

4. At Verulamium in Britain, **Saint Alban, martyr**, who, as it is told, not yet baptized, for a cleric guest whom he had received into his home and from whom he had been imbued with the teachings of the Christian faith, handed himself over, having exchanged clothing; for which reason, after beatings and harsh torments, he was beheaded.

5. At Legion in Brittany Minor, **Saints Julius and Aaron, martyrs**, who suffered after Saint Alban in the persecution of the emperor Diocletian; at that time. In the same place, **very many others, tortured with various torments and savagely torn apart**, after completing their struggle, reached the joys of the heavenly city.

6. At Doliche in Syria, **Saint Eusebius, bishop** of Samosata, who, in the time of the emperor Constantius, an Arian, under a military disguise secretly visited the Churches of God so that he might strengthen them in the Catholic faith; then, under

the emperor Valens, was exiled to Thrace, but with peace restored to the Church, was recalled from exile during the reign of Theodosius; at last, when again visiting the Churches, he died a **martyr**, his head broken by a tile hurled down upon him from above by an Arian woman.

7. Commemoration of Saint Nicetas, bishop of Remesiana in Dacia, whom Saint Paulinus of Nola praises in verse, because he taught the Gospel to barbarians made tame and led them into the folds of peace, and those, once unskilled and robbers, learned to proclaim Christ with a Roman heart.

8. At Rome in the Lateran, blessed Pope Innocent V, who, of the Order of Preachers, taught sacred theology in Paris and, having been unwillingly made bishop of the see of Lyon, directed the Ecumenical Council for the union of the separated Latins and Greeks together with Saint Bonaventure; then, having been raised to the chair of Peter, he fulfilled the office of Pontiff for a very short time, [briefly presented to] rather than [long-]given to the Roman Church.

June 23rd

This Day, the Twenty-third Day of June

1. Commemoration of many holy martyrs of Nicomedia, who, in the time of the emperor Diocletian, while hiding in mountains and caves, endured martyrdom for the name of Christ with calm spirit.

2. In the monastery of Ely in eastern England, Saint Etheldreda, abbess, who, the daughter of a king and herself **queen** of Northumbria, having twice set aside

marriage, received the veil of the nuns from Saint Bishop Wilfrid in the monastery founded by herself, and presided as mother over many virgins by her example and exhortations.

3. At Darioerigum in Brittany, **Saint Bilius, bishop and martyr**, who is said to have been killed by the Normans as they were devastating the city.

4. At Pavia in Lombardy, **blessed Lanfranc, bishop**, who, a man of peace, suffered much for the fostering of peace and harmony in the city.

5. At Onhaye in Hainaut, **Saint Walher, priest**, who, while crossing the Meuse River, is said to have been killed by his nephew, a priest whose conduct he was reproving, while still bearing the tonsure of Remigius.

6. At Oignies also in Hainaut, **blessed Mary**, who, endowed with mystical gifts, lived as a recluse in a cell with her husband's consent, and created and organized *the institute of the "Beguines."*

7. In the hermitage of Vallismans in Picenum in Italy, **blessed Peter Jacob of Pesaro, priest** of the Order of Hermits of Saint Augustine.

8. At London in England, **Saint Thomas Garnet, priest** of the Society of Jesus **and martyr**, who, ordained in the English College at Valladolid and having returned to England, was imprisoned twice and, under King James the First, suffered the gallows at Tyburn.

9. At Turin in Italy, **Saint Joseph Cafasso, priest**, who devoted himself to increasing piety and learning among seminarians, and to reconciling to God those wretched persons detained in prisons or even condemned to death.

10. At Alatri in Latium of Italy, **blessed Maria Raffaella (Sanctina) Cimatti, virgin**, of the Sisters of Mercy for the sick, who lived a hidden and humble life, devoting her work especially to the sick and the poor with constant care and heartfelt charity.

June 24th

This Day, the Twenty-fourth Day of June

Solemnity of the Nativity of Saint John the Baptist, the Forerunner of the Lord, who, already in his mother's womb, was filled with the Holy Spirit and leapt with joy at the coming of human salvation; and whose very Birth prophesied the Lord Christ; and such grace shone in him, that the Lord Himself said concerning him: "Among those born of women, there has arisen no one greater than John the Baptist."

2. At Rome at the place called "the Seven Doves" on the Old Salarian Way, **the holy martyrs John and Festus**.

3. At Autun in France of Lyon, **Saint Simplicius**, who, of noble and devout lineage, living in utmost chastity with a most honorable wife, was chosen to the episcopate.

4. In the village of Créteil in the territory of Paris, **the passion of Saints Agoard and Aglibert, and many others, martyrs.**

5. At Mechelen in Brabant, **Saint Rumbold**, who is venerated as a **hermit and martyr.**

6. At Lobbes in Austrasia, **Saint Theodulf, bishop and abbot.**

7. At Nantes in Brittany, **Saint Gobard, bishop and martyr**, who, while celebrating the solemn rites of Mass with the people in the cathedral church, as he was chanting “Sursum corda,” was pierced with arrows by impious Normans and died with many of the faithful.

8. At Vestervig in Denmark, **Saint Theodgar, priest**, who, as a missionary in that region, built the first wooden church.

9. In the province of Sichuan in China, **Saint Joseph Yuan Zaide, priest and martyr**, who was strangled out of hatred for the Christian faith.

10. At Guadalajara in Mexico, **blessed María of Guadalupe (Anastasia) García Zavala, virgin**, who actively assisted in the foundation of *the Congregation of the Handmaids of Saint Margaret Mary and of the Poor*, and zealously carried out works of charity among the poor and the sick.

June 25th

This Day, the Twenty-fifth Day of June

1. At Augusta Taurinorum in Liguria, **Saint Maximus**, the first **bishop** of that see, who called crowds of pagans to the faith of Christ with fatherly eloquence and directed them toward the reward of salvation with heavenly teaching.

2. **The commemoration of Saint Prosper of Aquitaine**, who, trained in philosophy and letters, lived with his wife a life of integrity and modesty, and, having become a monk at Marseilles, vigorously defended the doctrine of Saint Augustine concerning the grace of God and the gift of perseverance against the Pelagians, and at Rome fulfilled the role of writer for Saint Leo the Great, pope.

3. At Reggio Emilia, **Saint Prosper, bishop**.

4. At Maurienne in Savoy, **Saint Tigris, virgin**, who promoted with great zeal the veneration of Saint John the Baptist in that place.

5. At Rossmarkre in Scotland, **Saint Moluoc**, also called Luan, **bishop**.

6. At Iaca in Tarraconensian Spain, **Saint Eurosia, virgin and martyr**.

7. At Egmond in Frisia, **Saint Adalbert, deacon and abbot**, who assisted Saint Willibrord in evangelical zeal.

8. In Brittany, **Saint Solomon, martyr**, who, while he ruled as **king**, established episcopal sees, enlarged monasteries, and upheld justice with fairness; but after relinquishing the kingdom, he was attacked in a church by his adversaries and killed.

9. At Goleto near Nusco in Campania, **Saint William, abbot**, who, having become a pilgrim and poor man for the love of Christ from the city of Vercelli, at

the prompting of Saint John of Matera founded the monastery of Montevergine and gathered companions to himself, whom he instructed with his lofty spiritual teaching, and he founded many hermitages both of monks and of nuns in the southern regions of Italy.

10. At the Charterhouse of Reposoir in Savoy, **blessed John**, surnamed “the Spaniard,” **monk**, who composed constitutions for the nuns of the Carthusian Order.

11. At Marienwerder in Polish Prussia, **blessed Dorothy of Montau**, who, as a widow, enclosed herself in a cell near the cathedral church and gave herself entirely to constant prayer and penance.

12. At Valle Guidonis in France, **blessed Mary Lhuillier, virgin and martyr**, who, having been received among the Sisters of Mercy, remained steadfastly faithful to her religious vows and to the Church during the French upheaval, and died by beheading.

13. In the city of Nam Dinh in Tonkin, **Saints Dominic Henares, bishop** of the Order of Preachers, and **Francis Do Minh Chieu, martyrs**, of whom the former propagated the Christian faith for forty-nine years, and the latter, a catechist, diligently worked with him; both were beheaded together under Emperor Minh Mạng for Christ.

June 26th

This Day, the Twenty-sixth Day of June

1. At Rome, **the commemoration of Saints John and Paul**, to whose name a basilica was dedicated on the Caelian Hill at the slope of Scaurus, in the title of the senator Pammachius.
2. At Trent in Venetia, **Saint Vigilius, bishop**, who, having received distinguished instruction and pastoral training from Saint Ambrose of Milan, attempted to strengthen the work of evangelization in his territory and to root out completely the remains of idolatry, and is said to have fulfilled **martyrdom** for the name of Christ, struck by savage men.
3. At Nola in Campania, **Saint Deodatus, bishop**, who succeeded Saint Paulinus.
4. In the district of Poitiers in Aquitaine, **Saint Maxentius, abbot**, distinguished in virtues.
5. At Thessalonica in Macedonia, **Saint David, hermit**, who lived shut up in a small cell outside the city walls for nearly eighty years.
6. At Valence in Austrasia, **Saints Salvius, bishop, and his disciple**, who came from the territory of Auvergne into this region and **suffered martyrdom** under Winegard, the lord of the place.
7. At Córdoba in the region of Vandalic Spain, **Saint Pelagius, martyr**, who, being thirteen years old, for the faith of Christ and preserved chastity against the effeminate blandishments of the Moorish king 'Abd ar-Rahman III, by his order was torn limb by limb with iron pincers and gloriously completed his martyrdom.

8. At Gubbio in Umbria, **Saint Ralph, bishop**, who applied himself to the word of preaching and lavishly distributed to the poor whatever he could secretly take from his own household.

9. At Belley in Savoy, **Saint Anthelm, bishop**, who, as a monk of the Grande Chartreuse, restored the monastery which had been destroyed by a great fall of snow; made prior, he convoked the general chapter, and when raised to the episcopal seat, he labored with tireless zeal and unshakable firmness to correct the morals of the clergy and the nobles.

10. On a barge moored before the port of Rochefort in France, **blessed Raymond Petiniaud de Jourgnac, priest and martyr**, who, an archdeacon of Limoges, during the time of the French turmoil was detained in inhumane conditions because of the priesthood and completed his martyrdom wasted away by sores and lice.

11. At Cambrai in France, **the blessed virgins and martyrs Magdalene Fontaine, Frances Lanel, Theresa Fantou, and Jeanne Gerard**, who, Daughters of Charity, condemned to death by beheading out of hatred for the Church during the time of the French upheaval, were crowned with mockery and led to execution with the Rosary.

12. At Treviso in Italy, **blessed Andrew Hyacinth Longhin, bishop**, who during the storms of war vigorously aided the needs of refugees and captives and in the hardships of his time defended with remarkable solicitude the rights of workers, farmers, and all the poor of society.

13. In the village of Qianshengzhuang near the city of Liushuitao in the Hebei Province of China, **Saint Joseph Ma Taishun, martyr**, who, a **physician and catechist**, although during the persecution carried out by supporters of the “Yihetuan” sect the rest of his family defected from the faith, preferred to bear witness to Christ with his blood.

14. In the village of Jalisco of the Guadalajara territory in Mexico, **Saint Joseph Mary Robles, priest and martyr**, who, during the persecution against the Church in the time of the Mexican turmoil, was hanged from a tree and died.

15. In the forest of Birok near the city of Stradch in the district of Lviv in Ukraine, **blessed Nicholas Konrad, priest, and Vladimir Pryjma**, who, at a time of regimes hostile to God, through fearless death proclaimed the hope of the Resurrection of Christ.

16. In the village of Sykhiv likewise in the district of Lviv, **blessed Andrew Iscak, priest and martyr**, who in the same period was killed by bullets for the faith of Christ.

17. At Rome, **Saint Joseph Mary Escriva de Balaguer, priest**, who founded *Opus Dei and the Priestly Society of the Holy Cross*.

June 27th

This Day, the Twenty-seventh Day of June

Saint Cyril, bishop and doctor of the Church, who, having been elected to the Alexandrian see in Egypt, with singular zeal for the integrity of the Catholic faith, in the Council of Ephesus expounded the dogmas concerning the one and the same person in Christ and concerning the divine maternity of the Virgin Mary.

2. At Carthage, **Saint Guddenes, martyr**, who, by order of the proconsul Rufinus, was four times at different intervals tortured by the rack and by laceration with claws, and long afflicted also by the filth of prison, was finally struck down by the sword.

3. At Córdoba in Baetica, Spain, **Saint Zoilus, martyr**.

4. At Constantinople, **Saint Samson, priest**, receiver of the poor, who is said to have established a hospital at the urging of the emperor Justinian, whom he had healed from illness.

5. At the fortress Chinon in the district of Tours in France, **Saint John, priest**, who, of Breton race, keeping himself from the sight of men for the love of God, had a tiny Oratory cell before the village church.

6. At Milan in Lombardy, **Saint Arialdus, deacon and martyr**, who strongly opposed the depraved customs of simoniacal and corrupt clergy, and because of his zeal for the house of God, was killed with atrocious torments by two clerics.

7. At Corneto near Bovino in Apulia, **blessed Benvenutus of Gubbio, religious** of the Order of Friars Minor, who conformed himself to the life of Christ the poor man by humble service to the sick.

8. In the city of Nam Dinh in Tonkin, **Saint Thomas Toan, martyr**, who, as a **catechist** and caretaker of the Trung Linh Mission, suffered new and most savage torments in prison for Christ under the emperor Minh Mạng, and there died, worn out by hunger and thirst.

9. In the district of Fribourg in Switzerland, **blessed Margaret Bays, virgin**, who, practicing the craft of dressmaking within her family, devoted herself entirely to various services to her neighbor, never neglecting prayer.

10. At Moulins in France, **blessed Ludovica Thérèse Montaignac de Chauvance, virgin**, who founded *the Pious Union of the Oblate Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus*.

June 28th

This Day, the Twenty-eight Day of June

Memorial of **Saint Irenaeus, bishop**, who, as Saint Jerome writes, was from childhood a disciple of Saint Polycarp of Smyrna and faithfully preserved the memory of Apostolic times. Already a presbyter of Lyon, he succeeded Saint Pothinus as bishop, and it is said that he was also crowned with glorious **martyrdom**. He wrote much about Apostolic Tradition and also published outstanding books against heresies in defense of the Catholic faith.

2. At Alexandria in Egypt, under the emperor Septimius Severus, **the holy martyrs Plutarch, Serenus, Heraclides the catechumen, Heron the neophyte, another Serenus, Herais the catechumen, Potamiana, and Marcella her mother**, who were all illustrious disciples of Origen; some confessed Christ by the sword, others by fire. Among them especially stood out the virgin Potamiana, who first preserved innumerable struggles for her virginity and, at last, endured

unheard-of torments for the faith and was consumed by fire together with her mother.

3. At Rome, **Saint Paul I, pope**, who was gentle and very merciful, and would go about silently at night among the cells of the poor and the sick, providing them with food. A defender of the orthodox faith, he wrote to the emperors Constantine and Leo, urging that sacred Images be restored to their former state of veneration. A zealous promoter of the cult of the saints, he removed the bodies of the martyrs from ruined cemeteries and, with hymns and chants, placed them within the city among the titular churches and monasteries, striving to honor them.

4. At Córdoba in the region of Andalusia in Spain, **Saint Argimirus, martyr**, a **monk**, who in the persecution by the Moors, when Muhammad II was reigning, though already advanced in age and ordered by a judge to deny Christ, remained steadfast in confessing the faith; placed alive on the rack and pierced with a sword, he was martyred.

5. At Hasungen in Hesse, **Saint Heimerad, priest and hermit**, who, having been cast out from his monastery and held in contempt and mocked by many, nevertheless journeyed far and wide for Christ.

6. At London in England, **Saint John Southworth, priest and martyr**, who, as he exercised the priesthood in England, suffered imprisonment and exile many times. Finally, under the regime of Oliver Cromwell, having been condemned to death, he exclaimed, upon seeing the gallows prepared at Tyburn, that he regarded the gibbet as the cross of Christ.

7. At Lovere in Lombardy, **Saint Vincenza Gerosa, virgin**, who together with Saint Bartolomea Capitanio founded *the Institute of the Sisters of Charity*.

8. In the village of Wanglajia near Dongguangxian in the province of Hebei in China, of **the holy martyrs Lucia Wang Cheng, Maria Fan Kun, Qi Yu, and Maria Zheng Xu**, girls who were raised in an orphanage and, during the persecution of the “Boxers,” with hands joined together, went joyfully as if to a wedding and died by the sword.

9. At the place Jieshuiwang near the city of Shenxian in the same province, of **Saint Maria Du Zhaozhi, martyr**, the mother of a priest, who, returning from flight and unwilling to betray the faith of Christ, calmly submitted her neck to the axe of the enemies.

10. In the city of Drohobych in Ukraine, **the blessed Severian Baranyk and Joachim Senkivskyj, priests** of the Order of Saint Josaphat **and martyrs**, who, in the persecution against the faith, became partakers of the victory of Christ through martyrdom.

June 29th

This Day, the Twenty-ninth Day of June

Solemnity of the holy Apostles **Peter and Paul**. Simon, the son of Jonah and the brother of Andrew, was the first among the disciples to confess Jesus as the Christ, the Son of the living God, and by Him was called Peter. Paul, however, the Apostle of the Gentiles, preached Christ crucified to both Jews and Greeks. Both in the faith and love of Jesus Christ announced the Gospel in the city of Rome and under

the emperor Nero suffered martyrdom: the former, as tradition holds, having been affixed to the cross with his head turned downward and buried in the Vatican near the *Via Triumphalis*; the latter, struck down with the sword and confessed [Christ] on the *Via Ostiensis*. The entire world celebrates their triumph on this day with equal honor and veneration.

2. At Genoa in Liguria, **Saint Syrus**, who is venerated as a **bishop**.

3. At Narni in Umbria, **Saint Cassius**, **bishop**, who, as Saint Gregory the Great relates, offered daily to God sacrifices of atonement, pouring forth entirely in tears, and gave away all that he had as alms. Finally, on the natal day of the Apostles — on which he was accustomed each year to go to Rome —after having celebrated the solemn Masses in his own city and administered the Body of the Lord to all, he passed to the Lord.

4. At Gurk in Carinthia, **Saint Hemma**, who, as a countess, lived forty years in widowhood and gave great wealth to the poor and to the Church.

5. In the strait of the sea facing the island of Majorca, **blessed Raymond Lull**, **religious** of the Third Order of Saint Francis **and martyr**, who, a man of outstanding learning and enlightened doctrine, established a fraternal dialogue with the Saracens for the spreading of the Gospel of Christ.

6. In the village Xiaoliyi near Shenxian in the Hebei Province of China, **the holy martyrs Paul Wu Juan and his son John Baptist Wu Mantang and grandson Paul Wu Wanshu**, who, in the persecution of the followers of the “Yihetuan,” having confessed themselves to be Christians, merited to be crowned together with martyrdom.

7. In the village Dujiadun also near Shenxian, **the holy martyrs Mary Du Tianshi and her daughter Magdalene Du Fengju**, who, in the same persecution, having been taken from the reed thicket where they had hidden themselves, perished on account of the Christian name; the latter, still breathing, was thrown into the grave.

June 30th

This Day, the Thirtieth Day of June

Holy protomartyrs of the Holy Roman Church, who, having been accused of the burning of the City, were ordered by the most savage emperor Nero to be killed by various torments; for some, indeed, covered with the skins of wild beasts, were exposed to the tearing of dogs; others were fixed to crosses, and others were delivered to fire, so that, when the day had ended, they might serve as nocturnal lights. All these were disciples of the Apostles and the first fruits of the martyrs which the Roman Church sent to the Lord.

2. At Alexandria in Egypt, **Saint Basilides**, who, under the emperor Septimius Severus, when he had protected the holy virgin Potamiana — whom he was leading to execution — from the insolence of shameless men, received the reward of a religious act; for he himself, converted to Christ by her prayers, and contending in a brief struggle, was made a glorious **martyr**.

3. At Limoges in Aquitaine, **Saint Martial, bishop**.

4. At Cenomani in Neustria, **Saint Bertechramnus, bishop**, a peaceful pastor attentive to the poor and to monks.
5. At Salzburg in Bavaria, **Saint Erentrude**, first **abbess** of the monastery of Nonnberg and niece of Saint Rupert, whose preaching she aided with prayer and labor.
6. At Salanica in the territory of Vicenza, of **Saint Theobald, priest and hermit**, who, from the counts of French Champagne, with his friend Walter, preferred pilgrimages for Christ, poverty, and solitude to honors and riches.
7. At Nitra near the river Váh among the Carpathian mountains, **the passing of Saint Ladislaus, king of Hungary**, who, in his domain, restored the Christian laws issued by Saint Stephen, reformed morals, giving examples of virtue himself, and worked strenuously for the propagation of the Christian faith in Croatia, which was joined to the Hungarian kingdom, and founded the episcopal see of Zagreb. But while he was waging war against the Bohemians, he died, and his body was later placed at Varad in Transylvania.
8. At Bamberg in Franconia, **Saint Otto, bishop**, who evangelized the Pomeranians with the greatest zeal.
9. At Osnabrück in Saxony, **Saint Adolph, bishop**, who adopted Cistercian customs in the monastery of Altenkamp.
10. At London in England, **blessed Philip Powell, priest** of the Order of Saint Benedict **and martyr**, who, Welsh by birth, was captured on a ship under King Charles I because he was a priest and was heading for England; he was led to Tyburn to the torture of the gibbet.

11. At Naples in Campania, **blessed Januarius Maria Sarnelli, priest** of the Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer, who actively devoted himself to assisting every type of unfortunate person.

12. In the city of Hdi Duding in Tonkin, **Saint Vincent Do Yen, priest** of the Order of Preachers **and martyr**, who, under the emperor Minh Mạng, perished by beheading out of hatred for the Christian faith.

13. In the village of Chendun near Jiaobei in the Province of Hebei in China, **the Saints Raymond Li Quanzhen and Peter Li Quanhui, martyrs**, who, as brothers, gave outstanding witness to Christ during the persecution carried out by the supporters of the “Yihetuan” sect: for the former, having been led to a pagan temple, refused to venerate fictitious gods and, having been beaten, died; and the latter, was killed with no less cruelty.

14. At Lviv in Ukraine, the commemoration **blessed Zenon Kovalyk, priest** of the Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer **and martyr**, who, in a time of a regime hostile to God, on an unknown day of this month, merited to receive the glorious palm.

15. At Winnipeg in the Province of Manitoba in Canada, **blessed Basil Velyckovskyj, bishop** of the Greek Catholic Church of Ukraine **and martyr**, who, on account of his clandestine ministry exercised among the Catholic faithful of the Byzantine Rite, endured many cruel sufferings from the persecutors of the faith in his homeland, and, having been united with the sacrifice of Christ, died in exile.

1. Their names are: Saint Zacharias, priest; Vetius Epagathus; Macarius; Asclepiades; Silvius; Primus; Ulpus; Vitalis; Comminus; October; Philomenus; Geminus; Julia; Albina; Grata; Aemilia; Potamia; Pompeia; Rodana; Biblis; Quartia; Materna; Helpis; Sanctus, deacon;

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Maturus, neophyte; Attalus the Pergamene; Alexander the Phrygian; Ponticus; Istus; Aristeus; Cornelius; Zosimus; Titus; Julius; Zoticus; Apollonius; Geminianus; Julia the second; Ausona; Aemilia the second; Iamnica; Pompeia the second; Domna; Iusta; Trophima; Antonia.

2. Their names are: Saints Mbaya Tuzinde; Bruno Seronuma; Jacob Buzabaliao; Kizito; Ambrose Kibuka; Mgagga; Gyavira; Achilles Kiwanuka; Adolphus Ludigo Mkasa; Mukasa Kiriwanvu; Anatolius Kiriggwajjo; Lucas Banabakintu.

3. Their names are: Saints Vintrungus and Walter, priests; Amund, Sevibald, and Bosa, deacons; Vaccarus, Gundecarus, Ellurus, and Atevulf, monks.

4. Their names are: blessed Balthasar de Torres and John Baptist Zola, priests; Peter Rinsei, Vincent Kaun, John Kisaku, Paul Kinsuke, Michael Tozo, and Gaspar Sadamatsu, religious.

Omnes sancti Mártyres, oráte pro nobis. (“All ye Holy Martyrs, pray for us,” from the *Litaniae Sanctorum*, the Litany of the Saints)

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“Scio opera tua ... quia modicum habes virtutem, et servasti verbum Meum, nec non negasti Nomen Meum”
(Apocalypsis 3.8)

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Semen est sanguis Christianorum (The blood of Christians is the seed of the Church)

Tertullian, *Apologeticum*, 50

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July

July 1st



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This Day, the First Day of July

1. Commemoration of Saint Aaron, of the tribe of Levi, who was anointed with sacred oil by his brother Moses as priest of the Old Testament and was buried on Mount Hor.

2. At Vienne in France of Lyons, Saint Martin, bishop.

3. In the monastery of Bébron in the region of France of Lyons, Saint Domitian, abbot, who first practiced the eremitic life there and, when he had gathered many there for the service of God, at length, intent on heaven, departed from this world in good old age.

4. In the territory of Neustria of Reims, Saint Theodoric, priest, disciple of Saint Remigius the bishop.

5. At Angoulême in Aquitaine, **Saint Eparchius, priest**, who spent thirty-nine years in reclusion, devoted solely to prayer, teaching his disciples: “Faith does not fear hunger.”

6. In Brittany, **Saint Golven, bishop**, who, after a solitary life, is said to have succeeded Saint Paul of Léon.

7. In the monastery of Anisole in the region of France of Cenoman, **Saint Carilef, abbot**.

8. At London in England, **blessed George Beesley and Montford Scott, priests and martyrs**, who, under Queen Elizabeth I, condemned to death for the priesthood, reached the palm of martyrdom through bitter tortures.

9. In the same place, **blessed Thomas Maxfield, priest and martyr**, who, under King James I, condemned to death because he had come to England as a priest, underwent execution at Tyburn, crowned with a garland of flowers, from the remarkable devotion of the faithful standing by.

10. In the same place, **Saint Oliver Plunkett, bishop of Armagh and martyr**, who, under King Charles II, falsely accused of treason and condemned to death, in the sight of the standing crowd before the gallows, forgiving his enemies, firmly professed the Catholic faith unto the end.

11. At sea off Rochefort on the coast of France, **blessed John Baptist Duverneuil**, of the Order of Discalced Carmelites, **and Peter Aredius Labrouhe de Laborderie**, canon of Auvergne, **priests and martyrs**, who, during the raging French upheaval, being detained together in a ship of servitude because of the priesthood, perished, worn out by disease.

12. At Valletta on the island of Malta, **blessed Ignatius Falzon**, who, as a cleric, devoted himself to prayer and the instruction of Christian doctrine, showing great care for soldiers and sailors, assisting them constantly so that they might come to the Catholic faith before departing to war.

13. In the village of Zhuhedian near Jieshui in the Chinese province of Hunan, **Saint Zhang Huailu, martyr**, who, during the persecution of the followers of the “Yihetuan” movement, though still a catechumen, voluntarily professed himself to be a Christian and, fortified with the sign of the cross, merited to be baptized in Christ by his own blood.

14. In the village of Rancho de las Cruces in the region of Guadalajara in Mexico, **Saints Justin Orona and Atilano Cruz, priests and martyrs**, who, in the Mexican persecution, were killed together on account of the kingdom of Christ.

15. Near Munich in Bavaria, Germany, **blessed John Nepomucene Chrzan, priest and martyr**, who, a Pole by nationality, during the war, being held in the Dachau detention camp, fulfilled his passion in defending the faith before his persecutors.

July 2nd

This Day, the Second Day of July

1. At Rome, in the cemetery of Damasus on the Aurelian Way at the second milestone, **the holy martyrs Processus and Martinianus**.

2. The commemoration of the holy martyrs Liberatus, abbot, Boniface, deacon, Servus and Rusticus, subdeacons, Rogatus and Septimus, monks, and Maximus, a boy, who at Carthage, in the Vandal persecution under King Hunneric the Arian, for the confession of the Catholic faith and the defense of the one baptism, harassed by dreadful tortures, finally, on the wood upon which they had been burned, nailed with spikes, struck with oars' handles, and, their skulls crushed, killed, they completed the glorious course of their struggle, with the Lord crowning them.

3. At Tours in Neustria, Saint Monegundis, consecrated to God, who, her homeland and parents having been forsaken, devoted herself to prayer alone.

4. At Winchester in England, Saint Swithun, bishop, distinguished for austerity and love of the poor, who founded many churches, which he always visited by traveling on foot.

5. At Settimo in Latium, Saint Lidanus, abbot and founder of the monastery of the place, who strove to free the surrounding area from pestilential marshes through the work of monks.

6. At Villeneuve near Avignon in France, the passing of the blessed Peter of Luxembourg, bishop of Metz, always intent upon penances and prayer.

7. At Fabriano in Picenum of Italy, the commemoration of the blessed John and Peter Becchetti, priests from the Order of the Hermits of Saint Augustine, whom the same manner of life, more than bonds of blood, united.

8. At Lecce in Apulia, Saint Bernardino Realino, priest of the Society of Jesus, renowned for charity and kindness, who, worldly honors having been disregarded,

devoted himself to the pastoral care of captives and the sick, and to the ministry of the word and of penance.

9. At Liège in Belgium, **blessed Eugénie Joubert, virgin** of the Congregation of the Holy Family of the Sacred Heart, who labored in teaching Christian doctrine to young girls, and, stricken with tuberculosis, lovingly followed Christ suffering.

July 3rd

This Day, the Third Day of July

Feast of **Saint Thomas, Apostle**, who, when the other disciples were announcing that Jesus had risen, did not believe, but, when Jesus himself offered to him his pierced side, exclaimed: “My Lord and my God.” It is handed down that he evangelized the peoples of India concerning this faith.

2. At Laodicea in Syria, **the commemoration of Saint Anatolius, bishop**, who left behind admirable writings not only for religious men but also for philosophers.

3. At Bizye in Thrace, **Saint Memnon, centurion, martyr**, who, in the time of Diocletian and Maximian, having been converted to the faith by Saint Severus, was tortured with savage torments together with him, and went up to heaven as the first victor.

4. In Mysia, **the commemoration of Saints Marcus and Mocianus, martyrs**, who, because they refused to sacrifice to idols and rather more fervently confessed Christ, were beheaded for Christ.
5. At Altinum in Venetia, **Saint Heliodorus, bishop**, who, having been trained under the direction of Saint Valerian of Aquileia, was a companion of Saints Chromatius and Jerome, and was the first to hold the episcopal seat of this city.
6. At Constantinople, **Saint Anatolius, bishop**, who professed the orthodox faith concerning the two natures of Christ as expressed in the tome of Saint Leo the pope to Flavian, and took care that it be professed in the Council of Chalcedon.
7. At Rome near Saint Peter's, **Saint Leo the Second, pope**, learned in both the Greek and Latin languages, a friend to poverty and to the poor, who undertook the Third Council of Constantinople.
8. At Toulouse on the Garonne in France, **Saint Raymond Gayrard**, who, a **teacher** of schools, after being bereft of his wife, zealously devoted himself to works of charity and founded a hospice, and then was admitted among the Canons of the basilica of Saint Saturninus.
9. In the city of Hung Yen in Tonkin, **Saint Joseph Nguyễn Đình Uyển, martyr**, who, a **catechist**, died in prison under the emperor Minh Mạng out of hatred for the Christian faith.
10. In the city of Vĩnh Long in Cochinchina, **Saint Philip Phan Văn Minh, priest and martyr**, who, under the emperor Tự Đức, endured beheading for Christ.

11. In the town of Fuencarral near Madrid in Spain, **blessed Maria Anna Mogas Fontcuberta, virgin**, who, for the instruction of girls and the care of the poor and sick, founded *the Congregation of the Sisters of the Mother of the Divine Shepherd*.

12. In the marsh near the village of Dongyangtai near Shenxian in the province of Hebei in China, **Saints Peter Zhao Mingzhen and John the Baptist Zhao Mingxi, martyrs**, who, being brothers, during the persecution stirred up by adherents of the “Yihetuan” sect, heedless of their own safety, while protecting Christian women and children fleeing, were killed by the enemies.

July 4th

This Day, the Fourth Day of July

Saint Elizabeth, who, **queen of the Portuguese**, was admirable in reconciling the discords of kings and in charity toward the poor, and who, after her husband King Denis had died, embraced the religious life among the nuns of the Third Order of Saint Clare in the monastery of Estremoz in Portugal, founded by herself, where she passed to God while attempting to reconcile her son and son-in-law.

2. In Africa, **Saint Iucundianus, martyr**.

3. In the village of Vistiniacum in the region of Bourges in Aquitaine, **Saint Laurianus, martyr**.

4. At Cahors in Aquitaine, **Saint Florentius, bishop**, whom Saint Paulinus of Nola praises as humble in heart, strong in grace, and mild in speech.
5. At Langres, likewise in Aquitaine, **Saint Valentinus, priest and hermit**.
6. At Blangy in the district of Artois in France, **Saint Bertha, abbess**, who entered the monastery founded by herself with her daughters Gertrude and Deotila, and after several years enclosed herself in a cell.
7. At Eressus on the island of Lesbos, **the passing of Saint Andrew of Crete, bishop** of Gortyna, who with prayers, hymns, and chants sang praises to God with singular skill and exalted the Virgin Mother of God as immaculate and assumed into heaven.
8. At Augsburg in Bavaria, **Saint Ulrich, bishop**, distinguished for remarkable abstinence, generosity, and vigilance, who, after fifty years in the episcopate, died in his ninetieth year.
9. In the monastery of Hautecombe near Lake Bourget in Savoy, **the deposition of blessed Boniface, bishop**, who, of royal lineage, first hid himself among the Carthusians, then was raised to the See of Belley, and finally to that of Canterbury, and always devoted himself to the care of his flock.
10. At Florence in Etruria, **blessed John of Vespignano**.
11. At Dorchester in England, **the blessed martyrs John, surnamed Cornelius, priest**, recently admitted to the Society of Jesus, **Thomas Bosgrave, John Carey**,

and Patrick Salmon, laymen, who aided that same priest; all together under Queen Elizabeth the First glorified Christ by martyrdom.

12. At York likewise in England, **the blessed martyrs William Andleby, priest, Henry Abbot, Thomas Warcop, and Edward Fulthorp, laymen**, who, in the same persecution, condemned to death for their fidelity to the Church, together migrated to eternal rewards through the suffering of the gibbet.

13. Among the Hurons in Canadian territory, **Saint Anthony Daniel, priest** of the Society of Jesus **and martyr**, who, having completed the Mass, was standing at the doors of the Oratory protecting the neophytes when enemies from the heathen burst in; pierced with arrows and finally burned with fire, he was killed. His memory is celebrated with his companions on the nineteenth of October.

14. At Mauriac on Mount Cantal in France, **blessed Catherine Jarrige, virgin**, a member of the Third Order of Saint Dominic, outstanding in aiding the poor and sick, who, during the French Revolution, by every means defended priests from seditious pursuers and visited those imprisoned.

15. In the city of Hengyang in the Hunan Province of China, **Saint Caesidius Giacomantonio, priest** of the Order of Friars Minor **and martyr**, who, during the persecution carried out by supporters of the “Yihetuan” faction, while trying to protect the Most Holy Sacrament from a mob of soldiers, was stoned and wrapped in a cloth soaked with petroleum and died in the fire.

16. At Turin in Italy, **blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati**, who, as a young man active in Catholic lay associations, devoted his whole soul zealously to stirring up the Society and exercising charity toward the poor and sick, until he was struck down by sudden paralysis.

17. At the extermination camp of *Oświęcim* or *Auschwitz* near Krakow in Poland, **blessed Joseph Kowalski, martyr**, who, during wartime, was imprisoned for Christ, where he suffered torments and fulfilled martyrdom.

July 5th

This Day, the Fifth Day of July

Saint **Anthony Mary Zaccaria, priest**, who, for the reforming of the morals of the faithful, established *the Congregation of Clerics Regular of Saint Paul, or the Barnabites*, and at Cremona in Lombardy migrated to the Savior.

2. At Rhegius Julius in Calabria,, **Saint Stephen of Nicea, bishop and martyr**.

3. At Cyrene in Libya, **Saint Cyprilla, martyr**, who, it is narrated, in the persecution of the emperor Diocletian, held for a long time, burning coals with incense placed upon her hand, lest by shaking off the coals she might seem to have offered incense; then, most savagely mangled, adorned with her own blood, she migrated to the Bridegroom.

4. Commemoration of Saint Athanasius of Jerusalem, deacon of the Church of the Holy Resurrection **and martyr**, who was slaughtered by the heretical monk Theodosius because he had reproached his impiety and had defended the holy Council of Chalcedon against adversaries.

5. Also, **the commemoration of Saint Dometius**, surnamed the **Physician, hermit** on Mount Quoros in Armenia.
6. On Mount Mirabilis in Syria, **Saint Martha**, mother of Saint Simeon the Younger Stylite.
7. In the monastery of Saint Mary of Terreto near Rhégium Iúlii in Calabria, **Saint Thomas, abbot**.
8. On Mount Athos, **Saint Athanasius, hegumen**, humble and peaceful, who in the Great Lavra established the way of cenobitic life.
9. At Wexford in Ireland, **the blessed Matthew Lambert, Robert Meyler, Edward Cheevers, and Patrick Cavanagh, martyrs**, of whom **the first was a baker, the others seamen**, who, for having preserved fidelity to the Roman Church and rendered help to Catholics, under Queen Elizabeth the First were hanged and disemboweled.
10. At Oxford in England, **the blessed martyrs George Nichols, Richard Yaxley, priests, Thomas Belson, destined for the priesthood, and Humphrey Pritchard**, who, under the same queen, condemned to death by beheading; some because they had entered England as priests, others because they had helped them, underwent the punishments of the gibbet.
11. Near the village of Huangeryin at Ningjinxian in the *Hebei* Province of China, **Saints Teresa Chen Jinxie and Rosa Chen Aixie, virgins and martyrs**, who, being sisters, in the persecution waged by the followers of the “Yihetuan,” in order to preserve the honor of virginity and the Christian faith, bravely resisted the corruption and barbarous cruelty of the persecutors and were pierced by blows of lances.

July 6th

This Day, the Sixth Day of July

Saint **Maria Goretti, virgin and martyr**, who went through a rough childhood, helping her mother in domestic tasks, and in constant prayer, in the twelfth year of her age, defending her chastity against an assailant near Nettuno in Latium of Italy, confessed [attested to her faith] by [through the] blows of a dagger, [and] was killed.

2. At Nicomedia in Bithynia, **Saint Cyriaca, virgin and martyr** under Diocletian, who is honored with the greatest veneration at Tropea in Calabria.

3. At Fiesole in Etruria, **Saint Romulus, deacon**, who is celebrated as the first martyr of the city.

4. In Egypt, **Saint Sisoës, surnamed the Great, hermit**, very distinguished in the practice of monastic life.

6. In Scotland, **the commemoration of Saint Palladius, bishop**, who, having been sent from the city of Rome to Ireland, died there while Saint Germanus of Auxerre was combating the error of Pelagius among the Britons.

6. In the territory of Armagh in Ireland, **Saint Moninne, abbess** of the monastery of Killeevy founded by herself.
7. On the bank of the river Rhine, **Saint Goar, priest**, born from Aquitaine, who, with the favor of the bishop of Trier, built a hospice and oratory to receive pilgrims and to attend to the salvation of their souls.
8. In the region of Condat at the Jura in Burgundy, **Saint Justus, monk**.
9. At London in England, **the passion of Saint Thomas More**, who is commemorated on the twenty-second day of June together with Saint John Fisher.
10. In the same place, **blessed Thomas Alfield, priest and martyr**, who at first, under coercion, abjured the Catholic faith, but having been driven into exile, returned to his homeland repentant, and under Queen Elizabeth the First, because he had distributed a certain *Apology* on behalf of the Catholics, endured the punishment of the gibbet at Tyburn.
11. At anchor in the open sea before Rochefort on the coast of France, **blessed Augustine Joseph (Elisée) Desgardin, monk** of the Cistercian Order **and martyr**, who, in the time of the French upheaval, was taken from the monastery of Sept-Fons out of hatred for religion and, thrown onto a squalid ship, afflicted by disease, died while aiding his fellow sick captives.
12. At Orange likewise in France, **blessed Susanna Agatha (Marie Rose) de Laye, virgin** of the Order of Saint Benedict **and martyr**, who, while the French turmoil was raging, was the first of a group of thirty-two religious women from various Orders and convents imprisoned in the same jail to persevere in religious life, and, having been condemned with the others in hatred of the Christian Name in the days following, approached the gallows fearlessly.

13. At the place Shuangzhong near Jixian in the *Hebei* Province of China, **Saint Peter Wang Zuolong, martyr**, who, during the persecution of the followers of the “Yihetuan,” having been led into a pagan temple and refusing to abjure the faith of Christ, was hanged on a stake.

14. At Rome, **blessed Maria Theresa Ledóchowska, virgin**, who devoted herself entirely to Africans oppressed by slavery and founded *the Sodality of Saint Peter Claver*.

15. At Buenos Aires in Argentina, **blessed Nazaria of Saint Teresa March Mesa, virgin**, who, born in Spain and having immigrated with her family to Mexico, moved by missionary zeal, devoted herself entirely to evangelizing the poor in various nations of Latin America and founded *the Institute of the Missionary Crusaders of the Church*.

July 7th

This Day, the Seventh Day of July

1. Commemoration of Saint Pantænus of Alexandria, a man apostolic and adorned with all wisdom, whose zeal and love for the word of God is handed down to have been so great, that, enkindled with faith and devotion, he set out to preach the Gospel of Christ to the nations, who are hidden in the remote retreats of the East, and finally, having returned to Alexandria, there, under the emperor Antoninus Caracalla, he rested in peace.

2. At Eboriaci in the district of Meaux in Aquitaine, **Saint Ethelburga, abbess** of the monastery of Faremoutiers, who, a daughter of the king of the East Angles, gave glory to God by strict bodily abstinence and perpetual virginity.
3. At Winchester in England, **Saint Hedda, bishop** of the West Saxons, a man distinguished for wisdom, who transferred the body of Saint Birinus from Dorchester to this city and established his own episcopal seat there.
4. At Eichstätt in Franconia, **Saint Willibald, bishop**, who, having become a monk, journeyed through the holy places and many regions to restore monastic life, and at length assisted Saint Boniface, by whom he was ordained the first bishop of that city, in the work of evangelizing Germany, and converted many peoples to Christ.
5. At Tallaght in Ireland, **Saint Mael Ruain, bishop and abbot**, who earnestly restored the celebration of the Sacred Liturgy, the veneration of the Saints, and monastic discipline.
6. At Urgell in Catalonia of Spain, **Saint Odo, bishop**, who, although still a layman, was elected by acclamation of the people and confirmed, defended the lowly, and showed himself kind to all.
7. At Perugia in Umbria, **the passing of blessed Benedict XI, pope**, of the Order of Preachers, who, gentle and mild, a peacemaker and lover of peace, in the brief span of his pontificate promoted peace in the Church, the restoration of discipline, and the growth of religion.
8. At Fossano in the Subalpine region, **blessed Oddino Barotti, priest**, who, a poor parish priest and austere in life, during a raging plague, consumed all his strength day and night for the sick and dying.

9. At Winchester in England, **the blessed martyrs Roger Dickinson, priest, and Ralph Milner, a farmer** and poor head of a household and unlettered, but firm in faith, who, under Queen Elizabeth I, were captured together and killed by hanging; **with them is commemorated blessed Lawrence Humphrey**, who, having embraced the Catholic faith as a young man, died by hanging on an uncertain day at the same place.

10. In the sea strait off Rochefort in France, **blessed John Joseph Juge de Saint-Martin, priest and martyr**, who, a canon of Limoges, during the French turmoil was inhumanely detained on a prison-ship for being a priest, where, consumed by disease, he passed to the Lord.

11. Also at Orange in France, **blessed Iphigénie of Saint Matthew (Françoise Marie Suzanne) de Gaillard de la Valdène, virgin** of the Order of Saint Benedict **and martyr** during the French upheaval.

12. Near the city of Hengzhou in Hunan Province of China, **Saints Antoninus Fantosati, bishop, and Joseph Mary Gambaro, priest** of the Order of Friars Minor, who, in the persecution by the “Boxers,” as they landed to assist the faithful, were stoned to death.

13. At the city of Weixian in *Hebei* Province, also in China, **Saint Mark Ji Tianxiang, martyr**, who, for thirty years prohibited from receiving the Eucharist because he refused to abstain from the use of opium, nevertheless did not cease to beg for a pious end to his life and, when brought to judgment, having professed the faith of Christ with steadfast spirit, attained the eternal banquet.

14. In the village of Hujiacun near Shenxian, also in *Hebei*, **Saint Mary Guo Lizhi, martyr**, who, in the same persecution, like a second mother of the

Maccabees, strengthened seven of her family, whom she accompanied to their place of execution, in constancy of soul, begging that she be killed afterward; finally, she followed those whom she had sent on ahead to heaven.

15. In the village of Rakunai in New Britain, an island of Melanesia, **blessed Peter To Rot, martyr**, who, a **head of a family and catechist**, during the Second World War, was arrested for persevering in his ministry and fulfilled his martyrdom by the injection of a lethal poison.

16. At León in Nicaragua, **blessed Mary Romero Meneses, virgin** of the Institute of the Daughters of Mary Help of Christians, who in the territory of Costa Rica worked kindly for the education of girls, especially the poor and abandoned, and widely spread devotion to the Eucharist and the blessed Virgin Mary.

July 8th

This Day, the Eighth Day of July

1. Commemoration of of **Saints Aquila and Prisca, also called Priscilla, a married couple** who were helpers of Saint Paul the Apostle. They received the Church into their house as guests, and for Paul's sake they laid down their necks.

2. At Heraclea in Thrace, **Saint Glyceria** suffered **martyrdom**.

3. At Caesarea in Palestine, **Saint Procopius, martyr**, who, under the emperor Diocletian, was led from the city of Scythopolis to Caesarea and there, at the very first confident confession in his replies, was beheaded by the judge Fabian.
4. At Taormina in Sicily, **Saint Pancras, bishop and martyr**, who is believed to have been the first to preside over that Church.
5. At Toul in Belgic France, **Saint Auspicius, bishop**.
6. In the region of Rhenania, **Saint Disibod, hermit**, who, having gathered some companions, founded a monastery near the bank of the river Navae.
7. At Belesie in Brabant, **Saint Landrada, abbess**.
8. At Würzburg in Austrasia, **Saint Kilian, bishop and martyr**, who, originally from Ireland, came to that place to preach the Gospel and, on account of his diligent observance of Christian morals, completed his martyrdom by being murdered.
9. At Constantinople, **the passion of the holy monks known as the Abrahamites**, who, under the emperor Theophilus, were martyred for their veneration of sacred Images.
10. At Spina Lamberti in Emilia, **the passing of Saint Hadrian III, pope**, who made every effort to reconcile the Church of Constantinople with the Roman Church; and when he was on a journey to France, he was struck with a grave illness and died in a most holy manner.

11. At Tivoli in Latium, **the passing of blessed Eugene III, pope**, who was the beloved disciple of Saint Bernard and served as abbot of the monastery of Saints Vincent and Anastasius at Aquae Salviae. Elected to the Roman See, he labored earnestly to defend the Christian people of the City from the snares of the infidels and to restore ecclesiastical discipline for the better.

12. At Shimabara in Japan, **blessed Mancio Araki, martyr**, who, having received blessed Francis Pacheco, a priest, into his home, was cast into prison, where he died, consumed by tuberculosis.

13. In the city of Iomnienina, in the province of *Hebei* in China, **Saint John Wu Wenyin, martyr**, who, being a **catechist** during the persecution stirred up by the supporters of the “Yihetuan” sect, because he refused to abandon the Christian faith and defect to the pagans, was condemned to death by beheading.

July 9th

This Day, the Ninth Day of July

Saints Augustine Zhao Rong, priest, Peter Sans i Jordà, bishop, and companions ¹, martyrs, who, in various times and places in China, bore vigorous witness to the Gospel of Christ by word and by deed, and, on account of the preaching or confession of the faith, were refreshed by glorious heavenly banquets as victims of persecutions.

2. At Reggio Emilia, **blessed Joan Scopelli, virgin** of the Order of Carmelites, who founded a monastery from the gifts of her fellow citizens and was able to provide bread to the sisters in the refectory through prayer.
3. At London in England, **blessed Adrian Fortescue, martyr**, who, a **father of a family and a knight**, under King Henry the Eighth, was accused by a slanderous charge of treason and, after being twice detained in prison, at last fulfilled his martyrdom by being beheaded.
4. At Brielle on the Meuse among the Dutch, **the passion of the holy martyrs Nicholas Pieck, priest, and ten companions of the Order of Friars Minor, and eight others of either the diocesan or religious clergy**², who, for defending the doctrine of the presence of Christ in the Eucharist and the authority of the Roman Church, endured various insults and tortures from the Calvinists, and finally completed their struggle by being hanged.
5. At Città di Castello in Umbria, **Saint Veronica Giuliani, abbess** of the Order of the Capuchin Poor Clares, who, endowed with spiritual charisms, shared in the Passion of Christ in body and soul, for which reason she was placed in confinement for fifty days, offering a wondrous example of patience and obedience.
6. At Orange in the region of Provence in France, **blessed Mélanie and Mary Anne Magdalen de Guilhermier and Mary Anne Margaret of the Angels de Rocher, virgins** of the Order of Saint Ursula **and martyrs** in the time of the French upheaval.
7. In the city of Qingyan in *Guizhou* province of China, **Saint Joachim He Kaizhi, martyr, a catechist**, who was strangled for the faith of Christ.

8. In the city of Taiyuan in *Shanxi* province likewise in China, **the passion of Saints Gregory Grassi and Francis Fogolla, bishops** of the Order of Friars Minor, **and twenty-four companions,³ martyrs**, who were killed in the persecution of the followers of the “Yihetuan” in hatred of the name of Christ.

9. At São Paulo in Brazil, **Saint Pauline of the Agonizing Heart of Jesus (Amabile Visintainer), virgin**, who, having migrated from Italy as a young girl, founded *the Congregation of the Little Sisters of the Immaculate Conception* in service to the sick and the poor, and, after many trials, served in the greatest humility and constant prayer.

10. At Dachau near Munich in Bavaria, Germany, **blessed Fidelis Chijnacki, religious** of the Order of Friars Minor Capuchin **and martyr**, who, taken from Poland under a wicked regime to a detention camp because of his confession of Christ, having been tortured, attained eternal glory.

July 10th

This Day, the Tenth Day of July

1. At Rome, **the holy martyrs Felix and Philip** in the cemetery of Priscilla, **Vitalis, Martial, and Alexander in that of the Jordani, Silanus in that of Maximus, and Januarius in that of Praetextatus**; whose united commemoration the Roman Church rejoices in, which on one day is glorified by so many triumphs, because it is fortified by manifold intercession with manifold example.

2. On the Via Cornelia, nine miles from the city of Rome, **the holy martyrs Rufina and Secunda**.
3. In the Sabine region, **the holy martyrs Anatolia and Victoria**.
4. In Africa, **the holy martyrs Januarius and Marinus**.
5. At Iconium in Lycaonia, **Saint Apollonius Sardis, martyr**, who is said to have completed his martyrdom by the cross.
6. At Nicopolis in Armenia, **the holy martyrs Leontius, Maurice, Daniel, Anthony, Anicetus, Sisinnius, and others**, who were tortured in many ways under Emperor Licinius and the governor Lysias.
7. In Pisidia, **the holy martyrs Bianor and Silvanus**.
8. At Nantes in Brittany, **Saint Pascharius, bishop**, who received Saint Hermeland, summoned from the monastery of Fontenelle, with twelve companions, and placed him on the island of Antro to found a monastery.
9. At Tamise in Flanders, **Saint Amalberga**, upon whom Saint Willibrord placed the veil of sacred virgins.
10. At Perugia in Umbria, **Saint Peter Vincioli, priest and abbot**, who rebuilt the ancient church of Saint Peter, which had fallen into ruin, and joined a monastery to it, where, amid frequent opposition, but with great patience, he introduced the customs of Cluny.

11. At Odense in Denmark, **Saint Canute, martyr**, who, as a king inflamed with zeal, expanded divine worship in his kingdom, promoted the state of clerics, and, after founding the churches of Lund and Odense, was at last killed by some rebellious citizens.

12. At Orange in the province of France, **blessed Mary Gertrude of Saint Sophia de Ripert d'Alauzin and Agnes of Jesus (Sylvia) de Romillon, virgins** of the Order of Saint Ursula **and martyrs** in the time of the French turmoil.

13. In the city of *Đồng Hới* in Annam, **Saints Anthony Nguyễn Hữu Quỳnh and Peter Nguyễn Khắc Tự, martyrs, catechists**, who were strangled for the faith of Christ under Emperor Minh Mạng.

14. At Damascus in Syria, **the passion of the blessed martyrs Emmanuel Ruiz, priest, and companions—seven of the Order of Friars Minor and three lay brothers faithful of the Maronite Church**—who, treacherously handed over by a betrayer to enemies, were afflicted with various tortures for the faith and completed their martyrdom with a glorious death.

July 11th

This Day, the Eleventh Day of July

Memorial of **Saint Benedict, abbot**, who, born at Norcia in Umbria and educated at Rome, began the eremitic life in the region of Subiaco, gathering many disciples around himself,

then went to Cassino, where he founded a famous monastery and composed a Rule, which spread throughout all regions so effectively that he deserved to be called the patriarch of monks in the West. He is said to have died on the twenty-first day of March.

2. At Rome, **the commemoration of Saint Pius the First, pope**, who, brother of Hermas, the author of the work entitled *The Shepherd*, himself also a good shepherd, kept watch over the Church for fifteen years.

3. At Iconium in Lycaonia, **Saint Marcian, martyr**, who under the governor Perennius came to the palm through many torments.

4. At Caesarea in Mauretania, **Saint Marciana, virgin**, who, condemned to the beasts, fulfilled her martyrdom.

5. At Bordeaux in Aquitaine, **Saint Leontius, bishop**, who shone forth as an honor to the people and city, a cultivator of the temples, a restorer of the font of holy baptism, and a silent giver to the needy.

6. At the river Var in Scotland, **Saint Drostan, abbot**, who presided over various monasteries and finally led a life of solitude.

7. At Disentis in Upper Raetia, **the Saints Placidus, martyr, and Sigisbert, abbot**, of whom the former, a companion of Saint Columbanus, founded there the monastery of Saint Martin, in which he crowned his monastic life with martyrdom.

8. In the monastery of Moyanmoutier on Mount Vosges, **Saint Hidulf**, who, being a **chorepiscopus** of Trier, withdrew into solitude and, as disciples gathered, founded and ruled a monastery.

9. At Córdoba in the region of Andalusia in Spain, **Saint Abundius, priest, [martyr]**, who, during the persecution of the Moors, when interrogated by a judge and boldly revealed the reason for his faith, was killed, seized by sudden indignation, and exposed to be devoured by dogs and beasts.

10. At Kiev in Russia, **Saint Olga**, grandmother of Saint Vladimir, who was the first of the Rurikids to receive baptism, along with the name Helena, and prepared the way to Christ for the whole people of Russia.

11. In the monastery of Grandselve in the region of Toulouse in France, **blessed Bertrand, abbot**, who, desiring to establish regular discipline, incorporated his monastery into the Cistercian Order.

12. At Viborg in Denmark, **Saint Ketill, priest and canon regular**, who was especially diligent in the cathedral school and an exemplar of conduct.

13. At Lincoln in England, **the commemoration of blessed Thomas Benstead and Thomas Sprott, priests and martyrs**, who, under Queen Elizabeth the First, were handed over to death on an uncertain day of this month because of their priesthood.

14. At Orange in the Province of France, **the blessed Rosalie-Clotilde of Saint Pelagia Bes, Marie-Élisabeth of Saint Theoctistus Pelissier, Marie-Claire of Saint Martin Blanc, and Marie-Marguerite of Saint Sophia de Barbegie d'Albarède, virgins and martyrs** for Christ in the French turmoil.

15. In the village of Liugongyin near Anping in the province of *Hebei* in China, **the holy virgins and martyrs Anna An Xinzhi, Maria An Guozhi, Anna An**

Jiaozhi, and Maria An Lihua, who, since they could by no means be brought to defect to impiety, were beheaded in the persecution of the “Yihetuan” followers.

July 12th

This Day, the Twelfth Day of July

[1. St. John Gualbert, abbot of Vallombrosa]

2. At Aquileia in Venetia, the Saints Fortunatus and Hermagoras, martyrs.

3. At Milan in Liguria, the Saints Nabor and Felix, martyrs, who, **soldiers** of Mauretanian origin, are said to have suffered at Lodi Vecchio during the persecution and were buried at Milan.

4. At Fano in Picenum of Italy, Saint Paternian, bishop.

5. At Lyon in France, Saint Viventius, bishop, who, having been promoted from the school of the monastery of Saint Eugendus to the episcopate, encouraged both clerics and laymen to attend the Council of Epaon, so that the people might better understand the decrees of the bishops.

6. At Passignano in Etruria, Saint John Gualbert, abbot, who, a Florentine **soldier**, spared his brother's murderer out of love for Christ, then took the monastic habit, but desiring to lead a stricter life, laid the foundations of a new monastic family in the Valley of the Umbra.

7. In the monastery of Cava in Campania, **Saint Leo the First, abbot**, who provided for the poor by the labor of his own hands and protected them before princes.
8. Near London in England, **blessed David Gunston, martyr**, who, a **knight of the Order of Saint John of Jerusalem**, denied King Henry the Eighth's authority in spiritual matters, for which reason he was hanged at Southwark.
9. In the same place, **Saint John Jones, priest** of the Order of Friars **Minor and martyr**, who, of Welsh descent, having become a religious in France, under Queen Elizabeth the First was condemned to death because he had entered England as a priest, and having been hanged until death, fulfilled his martyrdom.
10. At Nagasaki in Japan, **blessed Matthias Araki and seven companions** ⁵, **martyrs**, who suffered martyrdom for Christ.
11. At Orange in the Province of France, **blessed Rose of Saint Xavier (Magdalena Teresa) Tallien, Martha of the Good Angel (Marie) Cluse, Mary of Saint Henry (Marguerite Éléonore) de Justamond, and Joan Mary of Saint Bernard de Romillon, virgins and martyrs**, who, during the raging of the French turmoil, attained the palm [of martyrdom].
12. In the city of Nam Dinh in Tonkin, **Saint Clement Ignatius Delgado Cebrián, bishop and martyr**, who, after fifty years spent in preaching the Gospel, was arrested by order of Emperor Minh Mạng for the faith of Christ, suffered much, and died in prison.
13. In the province of Ninh Binh also in Tonkin, **Saint Agnes Le Thi Thanh (De), martyr**, who, a **mother of a family**, although afflicted with severe torments

under Emperor Thieu Tri for having hidden a priest in her house, refused to renounce the faith and died in prison.

14. In the province of Nghe An in Annam, **Saint Peter Khanh, priest and martyr**, who, recognized as a Christian at a customs post, was held in custody for six months and, though he was unsuccessfully enticed to apostatize, was finally beheaded by order of Emperor Thiệu Tri.

July 13th

This Day, the Thirteenth Day of July

Saint Henry, who, as **Roman Emperor, together with his wife Saint Cunegonde**, devoted effort to the reform of the life of the Church and the spread of the Christian faith throughout all Europe; and, moved by missionary zeal, he established several episcopal sees and founded monasteries. He departed from this life on this day at Grona near Göttingen in Franconia.

2. Commemoration of Saint Ezra, priest and scribe, who, in the time of Artaxerxes, king of the Persians, returned from Babylon to Judea, gathered the dispersed people, and with every effort strove to study, fulfill, and teach the law of the Lord in Israel.

3. Commemoration of Saint Silas, who, having been appointed by the Apostles to the Churches of the Gentiles together with Saints Paul and Barnabas, fulfilled the office of preaching with great fervor, full of the grace of God.

4. At Alexandria in Egypt, **Saint Serapion, martyr**, who under the emperor Septimius Severus and the governor Aquila, attained the crown of martyrdom by fire.
5. On the island of Chios, **Saint Myrope, martyr**.
6. At Philomelium in Phrygia, **the holy martyrs Alexander and thirty soldiers**, who are said to have suffered under Magnus, governor of Antioch in Pisidia.
7. At Albi in Aquitaine, **the passing of Saint Eugenius, bishop** of Carthage, who, glorious in faith and virtues, was driven into exile during the Vandal persecution.
8. In Brittany, **Saint Turian, abbot** of the monastery of Dol **and bishop**.
9. At Genoa in Liguria, **blessed James of Voragine, bishop**, of the Order of Preachers, who, in order to promote Christian life among the people, proposed many examples of virtue in his writings.
10. At Norwich in England, **blessed Thomas Tunstal, priest** of the Order of Saint Benedict **and martyr**, who, under King James the First, was condemned to death for having entered England as a priest and was hanged.
11. Off the coast of France near Rochefort, aboard a filthy prison ship on the sea, **the blesseds Louis Armand Joseph Adam**, of the Order of Conventual Friars Minor, **and Bartholomew Jarrige de la Morélie de Biars, priests and martyrs**, who, during the persecution against the Church, were condemned to forced labor in naval chains because of their priesthood, contracted disease, and perished as victims of charity toward their fellow prisoners.

12. At Orange in the Province of France, **the blessed Magdalene of the Mother of God (Elisabeth Verchère) and five companions, virgins and martyrs** in the same upheaval.

13. In the city of Chau Doc in Cochinchina, **Saint Emmanuel Lê Văn Phụng, martyr**, who, a **father of a family**, although detained in prison, did not cease to exhort his sons and relatives to love their enemies, and at last, by order of Emperor Tự Đức, was killed by beheading.

14. At Budrio in Flaminia, **Saint Clelia Barbieri, virgin**, who dedicated herself to the spiritual good of young girls and founded *the Congregation of the Little Sisters of the Mother of Sorrows* to educate the poor and especially the destitute in both human and Christian formation.

15. At Galeazza Pepoli near Bologna in Italy, **blessed Ferdinand Mary Baccilieri, priest**, who diligently cared for the people entrusted to him and founded *the Congregation of the Servants of Mary* to assist poor families and especially to educate young girls.

16. In the village of *Langziqiao* near *Hengshui* in the province of *Hebei* in China, **Saint Paul Liu Jinde, martyr**, who, an elderly man, during the persecution carried out by the followers of the “Yihetuan” remained the only Christian in the village and, holding a rosary and a book of prayers in his hand, went out to meet his persecutors and greeted them in a Christian manner, for which he was immediately killed by them.

17. In the city of *Nangong*, also in *Hebei*, **Saint Joseph Wang Guiji, martyr**, who, in the same persecution, when he had the opportunity to save his life by a minor lie, chose instead a glorious death for Christ.

18. In the city of *Angostura* in Colombia, blessed Mariano of Jesus Euse Hoyos, priest, who, remarkable for the simplicity and integrity of his life, devoted himself entirely to prayer, study, and the Christian education of children.

19. At San Juan Porto Rico, **blessed Charles Emmanuel Rodríguez Santiago**, who gave tireless effort to the renewal of the sacred liturgy and the awakening of the faith among the youth.

July 14th

This Day, the Fourteenth Day of July

Saint **Camillus de Lellis, priest**, who, born near Theano in the Abruzzi, having from youth followed military service and being inclined to the vices of the world, at last was converted and strove greatly in serving the sick in a hospital of the incurable as if Christ Himself; and, having been raised to the priesthood, he laid the foundations in Rome of *the Congregation of Clerics Regular* who minister to the sick.

2. At Brescia in Venetia, **Saint Optatian, bishop**, who subscribed the synodal letters concerning the Catholic faith on the Incarnation, sent by Bishop Eusebius of Milan to Saint Leo the Pope.

3. At Soignies in Austrasian Brabant, **Saint Vincent, also called Madelgarus**, who, with the consent of his wife, Saint Waltrude, embraced the monastic life and is said to have founded two monasteries.
4. At Deventer in Frisia, **Saint Marchelmus, priest and monk**, who, of English birth, was from childhood a disciple of Saint Willibrord and a companion in the works undertaken for Christ.
5. At the place called *Stary Kynsperk* near Eger in Bohemia, **blessed Hroznata, martyr**, who, after the death of his wife and son, left the duke's court and entered the Premonstratensian monastery of Tepl, and, while defending its rights, is said to have been captured by robbers and brought to death by hunger.
6. At Verona in Venetia, **Saint Toscana**, who, her husband having died, gave all her goods to the poor and never ceased caring for the sick in the Order of Saint John of Jerusalem.
7. At Foligno in Umbria, **blessed Angelina of Marsciano**, who, as a **widow**, spent more than fifty years wholly in the service of God and the good of her neighbor and initiated *the religious life of cloistered Franciscan Third Order women* for the instruction of girls.
8. At Valencia in Spain, **blessed Gaspar de Bono, priest** of the Order of Minims, who laid aside the arms of an earthly prince for the service of Christ the King and ruled the houses of the Spanish province of the Order with zeal, prudence, and charity.
9. At Lima in Peru, **Saint Francis Solano, priest** of the Order of Friars Minor, who, for the salvation of souls, traveled far and wide through the regions of South

America, and by preaching and signs devoted all his efforts to teaching the novelty of Christian life to the indigenous peoples and even to the Spanish colonists.

10. At London in England, **blessed Richard Langhorne, martyr**, who, a **distinguished lawyer**, was accused of treason under King Charles II, condemned to death, and gave up his spirit at the gallows of Tyburn.

11. At the place *Cerecca-Ghebaba* in Ethiopia, **blessed Ghebre Michael, priest** of the Congregation of the Mission **and martyr**, who always sought the true faith in study and prayer and at length entered into the unity of the Church, for which he suffered imprisonment, then forced marches with soldiers, his feet weighed down by chains, for thirteen months, until he died, worn out by scourging, thirst, and hunger.

12. In the city of *Nangong* in the *Hebei* province of China, **Saint John Wang Guixin, martyr**, who, in the persecution of the “Yihetuan” followers, preferred to die for Christ rather than be defiled even by a slight lie.

July 15th

This Day, the Fifteenth Day of July

Memorial of the death of **Saint Bonaventure, bishop of Albano and Doctor of the Church**, most celebrated for his teaching, holiness of life, and outstanding service rendered to the Church. He wisely governed the Order of Friars Minor, of which he

was minister general, in the spirit of Saint Francis. In many writings he joined the highest learning with the ardor of piety. While he was offering excellent help in the affairs of the Second Ecumenical Council of Lyon, he deserved to attain the blessed vision of God.

2. At Portus Romanus, the holy martyrs Eutropius, Zosimus, and Bonosa.

3. At Carthage, on the road called after the Scillitan Martyrs, in the basilica of Faustus, the death of Saint Felix, bishop of Thibiuca and martyr, who, when ordered by the curator Magnilianus to hand over the books of Scripture to the fire, replied that it was better for him to be burned by fire than to give up the divine Scriptures; therefore, he was sentenced to death by the sword under the proconsul Anulinus.

4. In the same place, the commemoration of the holy Catulinus, deacon and martyr, whose praises Saint Augustine delivered in a sermon to the people, and of the other martyrs who rest in the basilica of Faustus.

5. At Alexandria in Egypt, the holy martyrs Philip and ten children.

6. On the island of Tenedos in the Hellespont, Saint Abudemius, martyr.

7. At Nisibis in Mesopotamia, Saint James, the first **bishop** of that city, who took part in the Council of Nicaea and ruled, nourished, and defended his flock in peace against the onslaught of the enemies of the faith.

8. At Ruremonde on the Meuse in Austrasian Brabant, Saint Plechelm, bishop, who, born in Northumbria, proclaimed the riches of Christ to many.

9. At Ansbach in Franconia, **Saint Gumbert, abbot**, who founded this monastery on his own estate.

10. In Thessaly, **the passing of Saint Joseph, bishop** of Thessalonica, who, brother of Saint Theodore the Studite, first a monk, composed many hymns, and later, scarcely promoted to the episcopate, suffered much and grievously for ecclesiastical discipline and the defense of holy Images, and, exiled to Thessaly, died of hunger.

11. At Naples in Campania, **Saint Athanasius, bishop**, who, having suffered much from his impious nephew Sergius and being expelled from his see, finally, worn out by hardships, departed to heaven at Veroli in the Hernici.

12. At Kyiv in Russia, **Saint Vladimir, prince**, who received baptism under the name **Basil** and spent his efforts spreading the Orthodox faith among the peoples subject to him.

13. At Ratzeburg in Holstein of Germany, **Saint Ansuerus, abbot and martyr**, who, **with twenty-eight monks**, was stoned by the Wends who rose up against the preachers of the Christian faith.

14. At Västerås in Sweden, **Saint David, bishop**, who, an Englishman by nation, a monk of Cluny, went to convert the Swedes to Christ and rested piously as an old man in the monastery he had founded.

15. At Breslau in Silesia, **blessed Ceslaus, priest**, one of the first brothers of the Order of Preachers, who worked for the Kingdom of God in Silesia and other regions of Poland.

16. In the town of Mont Cenis in the Subalpine region, **blessed Bernard**, who, a marquess of Baden, while journeying to the East to defend Christian peoples after the capture of Constantinople by the enemies, was overtaken by death.

17. The passion of the blessed martyrs **Ignatius de Azevedo, priest, and thirty-eight companions of the Society of Jesus** ⁷, who, while seeking to go on missions to Brazil, were attacked by a pirate ship on the vessel named “Saint James” and, out of hatred for the Catholic religion, were pierced with sword and lance.

18. At Campi Salentina in Apulia, **Saint Pompilius Maria Pirrotti, priest** of the Order of Clerics Regular of the Pious Schools, distinguished for the austerity of his life.

19. On a prison ship anchored off Rochefort on the coast of France, **blessed Michael Bernard Marchand, priest and martyr**, who, during the French upheaval, was transferred from Rouen into vile naval captivity because of his priesthood and died after being afflicted with disease.

20. At the city of Nam Dinh in Tonkin, **Saint Peter Nguyen Ba Tuan, priest and martyr**, who, imprisoned for Christ, died of hunger under Emperor Minh Mạng.

21. At Paris in France, **blessed Anne-Marie Javouhey, virgin**, who founded *the Congregation of the Sisters of Saint Joseph of Cluny* for the care of the sick and the Christian education of girls, and extended it in the mission lands.

22. In the province of *Mỹ Tho* in Cochinchina, **Saint Andrew Nguyễn Kim Thông Nam (Nam Thuông), martyr**, who, a **catechist**, was sentenced to exile by Emperor Tự Đức after imprisonment, and, bound in chains and crushed under a beam, completed his martyrdom on the road.

23. In the town of *Bielsk Podlaski* in Poland, **blessed Antoni Beszta-Borowski, priest and martyr**, who, while war was raging, was seized by enemies of the faith and killed by bullets for Christ.

July 16th

This Day, the Sixteenth Day of July

Blessed Virgin Mary of Mount Carmel, on which Elijah the prophet once brought back the people of Israel to the worship of the living God, and afterwards certain hermits, seeking solitude, withdrew, and finally founded an Order to lead a contemplative life under the patronage of the holy Mother of God.

2. At Anastasiópolis in Galatia, **Saint Antiochus, martyr**, the brother of Saint Platon.

3. At Sebaste in Armenia, **Saint Athenogenes, chorepiscopus and martyr**, who left to his disciples a hymn proclaiming the divinity of the Holy Spirit, and was handed over to the fire for Christ.

4. At Caesarea, an island in the British Sea, **Saint Helier, hermit**, who is said to have suffered martyrdom at the hands of pirates.

5. At Maastricht in Austrasian Brabant, **Saints Monulph and Gondulph, bishops**.

6. At Saintes in Hainaut, **the holy martyrs Reinildis, virgin, Grimoald, and Gondulph**, who are said to have been killed by robbers.
7. At Córdoba in the region of Andalusia in Spain, **Saint Sisenandus, deacon and martyr**, who was slain by the Moors for the faith of Christ.
8. In the monastery at Lake Chiemsee in Bavaria, **blessed Irmengard, abbess**, who from tender youth, forsaking the splendor of the royal court, sought to serve God, and gave to the Lamb many virgin companions.
9. The **passion of blessed Simon da Costa, religious** of the Society of Jesus and last of a band of martyrs exterminated out of hatred for the Church on the ship called Saint James on the day before this.
10. At Viana do Castelo, in the Monastery of the Holy Cross in Portugal, **blessed Bartholomew of the Martyrs Fernandes, bishop** of Braga, who, remarkable for the integrity of his life, strove with great pastoral charity in the needs of his flock, and enriched many writings with sound doctrine.
11. At Warwick in England, **the blessed John Sugar, priest, and Robert Grissold, martyrs**, who under King James the First were condemned; the former because he had entered England as a priest, the latter because he assisted him, and through severe sufferings attained the palm of martyrdom.
12. In the town of *Cunhaú* near Natal in Brazil, **blessed Andrew de Soveral, priest** of the Society of Jesus, **and Dominic Carvalho, martyrs**, who, while the Mass was being celebrated, were treacherously shut in the church with a group of the faithful by soldiers and cruelly killed.

13. On a prison ship anchored before Rochefort on the coast of France, **blessed Nicholas Savouret**, of the Order of Friars Minor Conventual, **and Claude Beguignot**, of the Carthusian Order, **priests and martyrs**, who, during the French Revolution, were detained in vile captivity out of hatred for the priesthood, and fell ill and died.

14. Likewise at Orange in France, **blessed Anne-Marie of Jesus (Marie Rose) de Gordon and six companions** ⁸, **virgins and martyrs**, who, because they refused to renounce religious life during the same persecution, were condemned to death and joyfully received the palm of martyrdom.

15. In the village of Saint-Sauveur-le-Vicomte in Normandy, France, **Saint Mary Magdalene Postel, virgin**, who, in that same time of upheaval, offered every assistance to the sick and the faithful when priests had been expelled, and, once peace was restored, founded and governed *the Congregation of the Daughters of Mercy* for the Christian instruction of poor girls.

16. In the place *Lijiapo* near *Qinghe* in the province of *Hebei* in China, **the holy martyrs Lang Yangzhi, a catechumen, and Paul Lang Fu, her son**, who, during the persecution carried out by the supporters of the “Yihetuan” movement, when the mother had professed herself to be a Christian, suffered martyrdom for Christ in their home destroyed by fire.

17. In the village *Zhangjiaji* near *Ningjin*, likewise in *Hebei*, **Saint Teresa Zhang Hezhi, martyr**, who, during the same persecution, when she had been dragged to the pagoda of the pagans and refused to offer reverence to the local deities, was pierced with a spear together **with her two sons**.

July 17th

This Day, the Seventeenth Day of July

1. At Carthage, **the birthday of the holy Scillitan martyrs, namely Speratus, Nartzalus, Cittinus, Veturius, Felix, Aquilinus, Laetantius, Januaria, Generosa, Vestia, Donata, and Secunda**, who, by order of the proconsul Saturninus, after their first confession of Christ were thrown into prison, and on the following day, having been fixed to wood, when at last they had firmly confessed that they were Christians and had refused divine honor to the emperor, were condemned to death, and, at the place of execution, with knees bent in unanimity and giving thanks to Christ, were beheaded with the sword.

2. At Amastris in Paphlagonia, **Saint Hyacinth, martyr**.

3. At Seville in the province of Baetica in Spain, **the holy virgins Justa and Rufina**, who, having been arrested by the governor Diogenianus, were cruelly harassed with torments, then afflicted by imprisonment, starvation, and various tortures; at last, Justa gave up her spirit in custody, while Rufina, in confessing the Lord, had her neck broken

4. At Milan in Liguria, **Saint Marcellina, virgin**, sister of Saint Ambrose the bishop, who at Rome in the basilica of Saint Peter on the Epiphany of the Lord received the veil of consecration from Pope Liberius.

5. At Rome in the church located on the Aventine hill, **under the name of Alexis is celebrated the man of God**, who, as tradition recounts, left behind a wealthy household to become poor. and remaining unknown, begged alms.

6. At Auxerre in France of Lyon, **Saint Theodosius, bishop**.
7. At Pavia in Liguria, **Saint Ennodius, bishop**, who adorned the memories and temples of the saints with hymns and was a generous dispenser of wealth.
8. At Tournai near Antwerp in southern Brabant, **Saint Fredegand**, who is said to have come as a **monk** from Ireland, a companion in pilgrimage and missionary labor of Saint Foillan and others.
9. In the monastery of Winchcombe in Mercia of England, **Saint Kenelm**, who, a prince of the Mercians, is considered a **martyr**.
10. At Rome near Saint Peter's, **Saint Leo the Fourth, pope**, defender of the City and promoter of the primacy of Peter.
11. At Stockerau in the countryside of Vienna of Bavaria, **Saint Colman**, an Irishman by nation, who, **a pilgrim** for the name of God while journeying to the Holy Land, was considered a spy by the enemy, and, being hanged from a tree, reached the heavenly Jerusalem.
12. At Nitra on the river Váh near the Carpathian mountains, **Saints Zoerard, also called Andrew, and Benedict, hermits**, who came from Poland at the request of King Saint Stephen into Hungary and lived a most austere life in the wilderness of Mount Zobor.
13. At Kraków in Poland, **Saint Hedwig**, who, born **queen** in Hungary, received the kingdom of Poland and married Jagiełło, the great duke of Lithuania, called Ladislaus in baptism with whom she sowed the Catholic faith in Lithuania.

14. At Paris in France, of **blessed Teresa of Saint Augustine (Marie-Madeleine-Claudine Lidoine) and fifteen companions** ⁹, **virgins of the Carmel of Compiègne and martyrs**, who, during the French upheaval, faithfully observing monastic discipline, were condemned to death, and before the scaffold renewed the promises of baptismal faith and religious vows.

15. In the village of *Zhujiaxieshuang* near *Shenxian* in the province of *Hebei* in China, **Saint Peter Liu Ziyu, martyr**, who, during the persecution waged by followers of the “Yihetuan” sect, contrary to the efforts of his friends remained firm in the Christian faith before the mandarin, and for that reason was pierced by the sword.

16. At Prešov in Slovakia, **blessed Paul (Peter) Gojdič, bishop and martyr**, who, a pastor in the territory of Prešov, during a regime hostile to God was thrown into prison and suffered such hardships that, grievously tormented, faithfully accepting the words of Christ, by a valiant confession passed into glorious life.

July 18th

This Day, the Eighteenth Day of July

1. On the Via Tiburtina, at the ninth milestone from the city of Rome, the **commemoration of the holy martyrs Symphorosa and her seven sons, Crescens, Julian, Nemesius, Primitivus, Justinus, Stacteus, and Eugenius**, who completed their martyrdom by different kinds of death, made brothers in Christ.

2. At Milan in Liguria, **Saint Maternus, bishop**, who, when the Church had been restored to liberty, transferred with honor the bodies of the martyrs Nabor and Felix from Laud Pompey to his own city.
3. At Durostorum in Moesia, **Saint Emilian, martyr**, who, scorning the edicts of Julian the Apostate and the threats of his deputy Catulinus, overthrew the altar of idols and prevented the sacrifice, and, being thrown into a furnace, received the palm of martyrdom.
4. At Brescia in Venetia, **Saint Philastrius, bishop**, whose life and death were praised by Saint Gaudentius, his successor.
5. At Foro Popilii in Emilia, **Saint Ruffillus, bishop**, who is believed to have been the first to govern this Church and to have brought the entire rural people to Christ.
6. At Metz in Austrasia, **Saint Arnulf, bishop**, who was a counselor of Dagobert, king of Austrasia, and, having laid down his office, led the life of a hermit on Mount Vosges.
7. At Constantinople, **Saint Theodosia, a nun**, who, for her defense of the ancient Image of Christ which the emperor Leo the Isaurian had ordered to be taken down from the Bronze Gate of the imperial palace, suffered martyrdom.
8. At Utrecht, in Geldria Austrasiae, **Saint Frederick, bishop**, who, noted for his study of the Sacred Scriptures, devoted care and labor to the evangelization of the Frisians.

9. At Segni in Latium, **Saint Bruno, bishop**, who did and suffered many things for the reform of the Church; for this reason, he was forced to leave his see, found refuge on Monte Cassino, and for a time served as abbot of the monastery.

10. At Kraków in Poland, **the commemoration of blessed Simon of Lipnica, priest** of the Order of Minors, who, outstanding in preaching and devotion to the Name of Jesus, moved by charity, met death while caring for those dying in the plague.

11. At anchor off the coast of Rochefort in France, **blessed John the Baptist of Brussels, priest** of Limoges **and martyr**, who, during the French Revolution, worn out by hunger and pestilential disease in the squalor of a prison ship, died.

12. In the city of Nam Định in Tonkin, **Saint Dominic Nicholas Đinh Dat, martyr**, who, though a soldier, was forced to deny the Christian faith, and after severe tortures trampled the cross; but immediately repenting of what he had done, paid the price of his apostasy and wrote to the emperor Minh Mạng to be judged again as a Christian; at last, he was strangled and died.

13. In the village of Krystonopil in Ukraine, **blessed Tarsykia (Olha) Matskiv, virgin** of the Congregation of the Sisters Servants of Mary Immaculate **and martyr**, who, in time of war, for defending the faith before persecutors, attained a double crown: of virginity and of martyrdom.

July 19th

This Day, the Nineteenth Day of July

1. **Commemoration of Saint Epaphras**, who labored much for the Gospel at Colossae, Laodicea, and Hierapolis, and is called by blessed Paul the Apostle his dearest fellow servant, fellow prisoner, and faithful minister of Christ.
2. At Merus in Phrygia, **the holy martyrs Macedonius, Theodulus, and Tatian**, who, under the emperor Julian the Apostate, by the governor Almachius, after other torments, were placed upon iron grates heated by fire, and rejoicing, completed their martyrdom.
3. In the monastery of Annesis by the river Iris in Pontus, **Saint Macrina, virgin**, sister of Saints Basil the Great, Gregory of Nyssa, and Peter of Sebaste, who, educated in the Sacred Scriptures, devoted herself to the solitary life, a wondrous example of the desire for God and of withdrawal from the vanity of the world.
4. At Constantinople, **Saint Dii, surnamed the Wonderworker, archimandrite**, who, born in Antioch, was ordained priest in this city and founded a monastery under the Rule of the Acoemeti.
5. At Rome near Saint Peter's, **Saint Symmachus, pope**, who, long harassed by the faction of schismatics, at last, as a confessor of the faith, rested in peace.
6. At Cordoba in the region of Vandalicia in Spain, **Saint Aurea, virgin**, sister of the holy martyrs Adolphus and John, who, during the persecution of the Moors, was brought before the judge and fell by fear, but soon repenting of her deed, in a renewed struggle, overcame the enemy by the shedding of her blood.
7. At Utrecht in Lotharingian Gelderland, **Saint Bernold, or Bernulph, bishop**, who freed churches and monasteries from the power of the mighty, founded many churches, and fostered Cluniac customs in the monasteries.

8. In the monastery of Marienberg in Franconia, **blessed Stilla, consecrated virgin**, who was buried in the church which she had founded.

9. At Foligno in Umbria, **blessed Peter Crisci**, who, having given all his possessions to the poor, devoted himself to the service of the cathedral church, and chose to dwell in the bell tower, humble and exceedingly penitent.

10. At Chester in England, **Saint John Plessington, priest and martyr**, who, having been made a priest at Segovia and returned to England, for this reason under King Charles the Second was condemned to the torments of hanging.

11. In the village of *Lujiazhuang* near *Yingxian* in the province of *Hebei* in China, **Saint John Baptist Zhou Wurui, martyr**, who, though still a youth, openly professed himself a Christian before the followers of the “Yihetuan”, and for this reason had parts of his body mutilated and was beheaded.

12. In the town of *Liucun* near the city of *Renqin*, also in *Hebei*, **the holy martyrs Elizabeth Qin Bianzhi and her son Simon Qin Chunfu**, aged fourteen years, who, in the same persecution, strong in faith, overcame all the cruelty of their enemies.

13. In the town of *Borowikowszczyzna* in Poland, **blessed Achilles Puchala and Hermann Stepień, priests** from the Order of Friars Minor Conventual **and martyrs**, who, when their homeland of Poland was violated by foreign military power, were killed in hatred of the faith.

July 20th

This Day, the Twentieth Day of July

Saint Apollinaris, bishop, who, announcing to the nations the unsearchable riches of Christ, as a good shepherd went before his flock, and is said to have adorned the Church of Classe near Ravenna in Flaminia with the famous honor of martyrdom; but on the twenty-third day of July he passed over to the eternal banquet.

2. Commemoration of Saint Elijah the Tishbite, who, prophet of the Lord in the days of Ahab and Ahaziah, kings of Israel, vindicated with such strength of soul the rights of the one God against an unfaithful people, that he foreshadowed not only John the Baptist but even Christ himself; he left behind no written oracles, but his memory is faithfully preserved, especially on Mount Carmel.

3. Commemoration of blessed Joseph, who was called Barsabbas and surnamed Justus, a disciple of the Lord, whom the apostles appointed together with blessed Matthias to take the place of Judas the traitor in the apostolic ministry; but when the lot fell upon Matthias, he nevertheless fulfilled the office of preaching and holiness.

4. At Antioch in Pisidia, Saint Marina, or Margaret, who is said to have consecrated her body to Christ by virginity and martyrdom.

5. In Ethiopia, Saint Frumentius, bishop, who, first captured there, was later ordained bishop by Saint Athanasius, and spread the Gospel in that region.

6. At Carthage, **Saint Aurelius, bishop**, who, a most steadfast pillar of the Church, strengthened the faithful against the customs of the pagans and moved the episcopal seat from the place of the idol of the goddess Celestis.

7. In the countryside of Bologna in France, **Saint Vulmar, priest**, who, drawn from humble shepherding to studies and having attained the priesthood, sought the solitude of the desert according to the custom of the ancient Fathers; then at Hautmont in Hainaut in the forest of his homeland, he founded a double monastery, one for men, the other for virgins.

8. At Corduba in the region of Vandalic Spain, **Saint Paul, deacon and martyr**, who, instructed by the example and word of Saint Sisenandus, did not fear to rebuke the Moorish princes and magistrates for the vanity of their worship, and, confessing Christ the true God, was put to death.

9. At Hildesheim in Saxony in Germany, **blessed Bernard, bishop**, who governed his Church in peace for twenty-three years, although blind.

10. At Seoul in Korea, **the holy martyrs Magdalene Yi Yŏng-hŭi, Terésia Yi Mae-im, Marthæ Kim Sŏng-im, Lúciæ Kim, Rosæ Kim, Anna Kim Chang-gŭm, and Mariæ Wŏn Kwi-im, virgins, and John the Baptist Yi Kwang-nyol.**

11. In the city of *Nam Dinh* in Tonkin, **Saint Joseph Maria Diaz Sanjurjo, bishop** of the Order of Preachers **and martyr**, who, in the persecution raging under Emperor Tụ Đức, was condemned to death by beheading out of hatred for the faith.

12. In the village of *Zhoujiahe* near the city of *Yingxian* in *Hebei* province of China, **the passion of Saints Leo Ignatius Mangin and Paul Denn, priests** of the

Society of Jesus, who, while fervently encouraging the faithful in church during the persecution carried out by followers of the “*Yingxian*” sect, were pierced before the altar by the invading enemies. With them fell **Saint Mary Zhou Wuzhi**, who sought to protect Saint Leo with her body as he offered the sacred rites and, struck by wounds, died.

13. In the village of *Lujiazhuang* near *Yingxian*, likewise in *Hebei*, **Saint Peter Zhou Rixin, martyr**, who, during the same persecution, when the magistrate insisted, refused to renounce God the Creator of the world, and for that reason was beheaded.

14. In the town of *Daliucun* near *Wuyi*, likewise in the same province, **Saint Mary Fu Guilin, teacher**, who, in the same persecution, was handed over to the enemies of the Gospel and beheaded, invoking Christ the Savior.

15. In the village of *Wuqiao Zhaojia*, likewise in *Hebei*, **commemoration of Saints Mary Zhao Guozhi and her daughters Rosa Zhao and Mary Zhao**, who, during the same persecution, in order not to be violated, threw themselves into a well; but after being pulled out, fulfilled their martyrdom.

16. In the town of *Dechao*, likewise in *Hebei*, **commemoration of Saint Xi Guizi, martyr**, who, though still a catechumen, when a crowd arose, declared himself to be a Christian, and, torn with wounds, was baptized in his own blood.

17. At Madrid in Spain, **blesseds Rita of the Sorrowful Virgin of the Heart of Jesus Pujalte y Sánchez and Francisca of the Heart of Jesus Aldea y Araujo, virgins** of the Congregation of the Sisters of Charity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus **and martyrs**, who, during the religious persecution raging in the civil war, were taken from the church of the school by enemies of the Church.

July 21st

This Day, the Twenty-first Day of July

Saint Lawrence of Brindisi, priest and Doctor of the Church, who, enrolled among the Capuchin Friars Minor, carried out the duty of preaching tirelessly in the regions of Europe, both for the defense of the Church against unbelievers, and in reconciling princes, and in the governance of his Order, fulfilling all duties with simplicity and humility. On the twenty-second day of July, he died at Lisbon in Portugal.

2. At Marseilles in the province of France, **Saint Victor, martyr.**

3. At Emesa in Syria, **Saint Simeon, surnamed the Fool**, who, moved by the divine Spirit, desired to be held as a fool for Christ and contemptible among men. Likewise, **the commemoration of Saint John, hermit**, who was for nearly thirty years the companion of Saint Simeon in holy pilgrimage and in the desert near the Lake Asphaltites.

4. At Rome, **the commemoration of Saint Praxedes**, in whose name a church dedicated to God is located on the Esquiline.

5. At Strasbourg in Burgundy, **Saint Arbogast, bishop.**

6. In the open sea before Rochefort off the coast of France, in the squalor of a ship held at anchor, **Lugduni Gabriel Pergaud, priest and martyr**, who, a canon regular of Beaulieu in the district of Saint-Brieuc, was expelled from the abbey because of his priesthood during the time of the French upheaval, and having been handed over into captivity, was struck by disease and crowned with martyrdom.

7. Near *Yanzibian* close to *Yangpingguan* in China, **Saint Alberic Crescitelli, priest** of the Pontifical Institute for Foreign Missions **and martyr**, who, in the persecution of the followers of the “*Yihetuan*” was struck almost to death with great violence, and on the following day, with his feet bound, was dragged along a road paved with flint to the river, where he was cut to pieces and at last beheaded, and was crowned with martyrdom.

8. On the way toward *Daining*, near the city of *Yomenienina* in the province of *Hebei*, likewise in China, **the passion of Saint Joseph Wang Yumei, martyr** in the same persecution.

July 22nd

This Day, the Twenty-second Day of July

Memorial of **Saint Mary Magdalene**, who, having been freed by the Lord from seven demons and made his disciple, followed him even to Mount Calvary, and, early on the morning of Easter, was the first to merit seeing the Savior risen from the dead and to bring the message of the Resurrection to the other disciples.

2. At Ancyra in Galatia, **Saint Plato, martyr.**
3. In Africa, **the holy martyrs of Massilia**, on whose natal day Saint Augustine gave a sermon.
4. At Antioch in Syria, **Saint Cyril, bishop**, who, under the emperor Diocletian, suffered prison and exile.
5. At the fortress of Suani in the Caucasus Mountains, **Saint Anastasius, monk**, who, as a disciple of Saint Maximus the Confessor, endured prison and hardships with him for the orthodox faith, and having traveled to this fortress, died there, or perhaps along the very way.
6. In the monastery of Fontenelle in Neustria, **Saint Wandregisil, abbot**, who, having left the court of King Dagobert, lived a monastic life in various places and, having been ordained to the priesthood by Saint Audenus, bishop of Rouen, founded and governed a monastery in the forest of Jumièges.
7. At Menat in the territory of Auvergne in France, **Saint Meneleus, abbot.**
8. At Pavia in Lombardy, **Saint Jerome, bishop.**
9. At Lodi Vecchio, likewise in Lombardy, **Saint Gualterius**, founder of *the House of the Hospital of Mercy*.
10. At Venice, **blessed Augustine Fangi** of Bugella, **priest** of the Order of Preachers, who bestowed many benefits at Soncino, Vigevano, and Venice.

11. At Lisbon in Portugal, **the heavenly birthday of Saint Lawrence of Brindisi**, whose memorial is celebrated on the previous day of this date.

12. At Cardiff in Wales, **the holy martyrs Philip Evans**, of the Society of Jesus, **and John Lloyd, priests**, who, because their priesthood was revealed in their homeland, were hanged together under King Charles the Second.

13. On a filthy prison ship anchored off the coast of Rochefort in France, **blessed James Lombardie, priest** of Limoges **and martyr**, who, during the great persecution against the Church, was inhumanely detained because of his priesthood and died consumed by an incurable illness.

14. In the place *Majiazhuang* near *Daining* in the province of *Hebei* in China, **the holy martyrs Anna Wang, virgin, Lucia Wang Wangzhi, and her son Andrew Wang Tianqing**, who were killed for the name of Christ during the persecution waged by followers of the “*Yihetuan*” sect.

15. Near *Daining* at the city of *Iomnienina*, likewise in *Hebei*, **Saint Mary Wang Lizhi, martyr**, who in the same persecution, when certain pagans wished to spare her by denying she was a Christian, openly declared herself a servant of Jesus Christ and was immediately killed.

July 23rd

This Day, the Twenty-third Day of July

Saint Bridget, religious, who, given in marriage in Sweden to Ulf the lawgiver, most devoutly raised the eight children she bore, and stirred her husband himself to piety by words and example. After his death, she journeyed to many sacred places, and, leaving writings concerning the reform of the head and members of the Mystical Church and laying the foundations of the Order of the Most Holy Savior, she departed to heaven at Rome.

2. Commemoration of Saint Ezekiel, prophet, who, the son of Buzi the priest, in the time of the exile in the land of the Chaldeans, was marked by a vision of the glory of the Lord and appointed as a watchman over the house of Israel. He denounced the unfaithfulness of the chosen people, foresaw that the holy city Jerusalem would be cast into ruins and the people sent into exile; he himself, placed in the midst of the captives, nourished their hope and prophesied that their dry bones would rise to life.

3. At Classe near Ravenna in Flaminia, the commemoration of Saint Apollinaris, bishop, whose memory is celebrated on the twentieth of July.

4. At Bizerte in Tunisia, Saint Severus, martyr, who, in the times of Diocletian and Maximian, having won the palm of martyrdom, is believed to have converted to the faith Saint Memnon the centurion and to have followed him in his agony.

5. At Marseille in the Province of France, Saint John Cassian, priest, who founded two monasteries, one for men and the other for women, and, experienced through long use in monastic matters, wrote *On the Institutes of the Cenobites and Conferences of the Fathers* for the edification of monks.

6. At Cimiez also in the Province, **Saint Valerian, bishop**, who, taken from the monastery of Lérins to the episcopate, set forth to the people and monks the examples of the saints.

7. At Orvieto in Tuscany, **blessed Joan, virgin**, a Sister of the Penitents of Saint Dominic, distinguished for charity and patience.

8. In the city of *Manzanares* in New Castile in the region of Spain, **the blessed martyrs Nicephorus of Jesus and Mary (Vincent) Diez Tejerina, priest, and five companions** ¹⁰ of the Congregation of the Passion, who, in the time of persecution, remaining faithful to their religious vocation, were rewarded with the crown by lead bullets.

9. In the place called *Carabanchel Bajo* near Madrid, also in Spain, in the same persecution, **the blessed martyrs German of Jesus and Mary (Emmanuel) Perez Gimenez, priest, and eight companions** ¹¹, religious of the same Congregation of the Passion, who completed their struggle for Christ as victors.

10. At Toledo also in Spain, **the blessed martyrs Peter Ruiz de los Paños and Joseph Sala Pico, priests** of the Institute of Diocesan Laborer Priests, who fell in the same persecution.

11. At Dachau near Munich in Bavaria, Germany, **blessed Christinus Gondek, priest** of the Order of Friars Minor **and martyr**, who, taken from Poland, under a regime hostile to human dignity and religion, was forced into a detention camp for the faith of Christ and, worn out by torture, obtained a glorious crown.

12. At Prešov in Slovakia, **blessed Basil Hopko, auxiliary bishop** of Prešov **and martyr**, who, at a time of government hostile to the faith of Christ and the Church,

ministered to the faithful of the Byzantine Rite, was cast into prison, and suffered cruelties and a long and grave illness unto death, attaining the palm of victory.

July 24th

This Day, the Twenty-fourth Day of July

Saint Sharbel (Joseph) Makhlouf, priest of the Order of Lebanese Maronites, who, a devoted seeker of strict solitude and deeper perfection, withdrew from the monastery of Annaya in Lebanon into the hermitage, where with utmost austerity of life, through fasting and prayers, day and night, he served God. On the twenty-fourth of December, he rested in the Lord.

2. At Bolsena in Tuscany, **Saint Christina, virgin and martyr.**
3. At Amiternum in the Sabine region along the Via Salaria, **Saint Victorinus, martyr.**
4. At Tauriana in Calabria, **Saint Fantinus the Elder**, surnamed the Wonderworker.
5. In the Thebaid, **Saint Euphrasia, virgin**, who, born of a senatorial family, chose to lead an eremitic life in the desert, humble, poor, and obedient.

6. At Ardmore in Munster, a province of Ireland, **Saint Declan**, who is venerated as the first **bishop** of that Church.

7. In the region of Albi in Aquitaine, **Saint Sigolena**, **religious**.

In Russia, **the holy martyrs Boris and Gleb**, who, princes of the Ruthenians and sons of Saint Vladimir, preferred to accept death rather than resist by force their brother Sviatopolk. Boris obtained the palm of martyrdom at the river Alta near Pereyaslav, and Gleb shortly thereafter in the Dnieper River near Smolensk.

9. Near Rieti in the Sabine region, **Saint Baldwin**, **abbot**, a disciple of Saint Bernard in the monastery of Clairvaux, who was sent by him to that city to found and govern the monastery of Saint Matthew near the lake.

10. At Saint-Trond in Brabant, **blessed Christina**, *surnamed the Astonishing, virgin*, because in her, though afflicted in body and rapt in spirit, the Lord worked wondrously.

11. At Sary Sącz near Tarnów in Poland, **Saint Kinga, or Cunegunda**, daughter of the King of Hungary, who, given in marriage to Duke Boleslaus, preserved with him virginity unblemished and, after his death, professed the Rule of Saint Clare in a monastery she herself had founded.

12. At Ferrara in Emilia, **blessed John Tavelli** of Tossignano, **bishop**, of the Order of Jesuates.

13. At Cologne in Lotharingia, **the translation of the Three Magi**, who, wise men from the East, bearing gifts, came to Bethlehem to contemplate in the child the mystery of the Only Begotten's majesty.

14. At L'Aquila in the Vestini region, **blessed Anthony Torriani, priest** of the Order of Hermits of Saint Augustine, a healer of both bodies and souls.

15. At Orbe in Savoy, **blessed Louise, religious**, daughter of blessed Amadeus, duke, who was married to Prince Hugh of Chalon and, after his death, professed in humility and fidelity the Rule of Saint Clare under the reform of Saint Colette.

16. At Derby in England, **the blessed martyrs Nicholas Garlick, Robert Ludlam, and Richard Simpson, priests**, who, after many labors and persecutions, condemned to death under Queen Elizabeth I because of the priesthood, came by the gallows to the joys of heaven.

17. At Newcastle-upon-Tyne in England, **blessed Joseph Lambton, priest and martyr**, who, at twenty-four years of age, in the same persecution, was dismembered alive under cruel torments because of the priesthood.

18. At Durham in England, **Saint John Boste, priest and martyr**, who, under the same queen, martyred for the priesthood, did not cease to strengthen his companions even before the judge.

19. In the city of Nam Định in Tonkin, **Saint Joseph Fernandez, priest** of the Order of Preachers and martyr, beheaded for Christ under the emperor Minh Mạng.

20. At Naples in Campania, **blessed Modestinus of Jesus and Mary (Dominic) Mazzarello, priest** of the Order of Friars Minor, who, a helper to all kinds of poor and afflicted, died after contracting cholera while assisting the dying during a plague.

21. At Guadalajara in Spain, **the blessed martyrs Maria of the Pillar of Saint Francis Borgia (Jacoba) Martinez Garcia, Teresa of the Child Jesus (Eusebia) Garcia Garcia, and Maria Angela of Saint Joseph (Marciana) Voltierra Tordesillas, virgins** of the Discalced Carmelite Order, who, rejoicing and acclaiming Christ their Spouse, were crowned with martyrdom during a time of persecution.

22. At Barcelona, also in Spain, **blessed Maria of Mercy Prat, virgin** of the Society of Saint Teresa of Jesus and martyr, who, during the same period, though a religious, completed her passion.

23. Likewise at Barcelona, **blessed Xavier Bordas Piferrer, religious** of the Salesian Society and martyr, who bore witness to the example of Christ the Teacher through his martyrdom.

July 25th

This Day, the Twenty-fifth Day of July

Feast of **Saint James, Apostle**, who, the son of Zebedee and brother of the blessed John the Evangelist, was a witness with Peter and John of the Lord's Transfiguration and His agony. Near the feast of Easter, he was beheaded by Herod Agrippa, and he was the first of the Apostles to receive the crown of martyrdom.

2. In Lycia, **Saint Christopher, martyr.**
3. At Barcelona in Tarraconensian Spain, **Saint Cucuphas, martyr**, who, during the persecution of Emperor Diocletian, struck with the sword, victoriously departed to heaven.
4. At Caesarea in Palestine, **the holy martyrs Valentina, Thea, and Paul**, during the persecution of Emperor Maximian under the governor Firmilian. Valentina, a virgin, after she had kicked over the altar erected to idols, was subjected to dreadful torments and, together with the virgin Thea, was cast into fire and ran to the Bridegroom. Paul, condemned to death, after obtaining a brief space to pray, prayed to God with his whole heart for the salvation of all; his head having been cut off, he received the crown of martyrdom.
5. At Nicomedia in Bithynia, **the passing of Saint Olympias, widow**, who, widowed while still young, spent the rest of her life in Constantinople most devoutly among consecrated women, aiding the poor and remaining most faithful even in exile to Saint John Chrysostom.
6. At Trier in Rhenish Austrasia, **Saint Magneric, bishop**, who was a disciple of Saint Nicetius, his faithful companion in exile and zealous successor in pastoral care.
7. In the same place, **the holy presbyters Beatus and Bantus**, who lived as hermits during the time of Saint Magneric.
8. At Metz in Belgic France, **Saint Glodesinda, abbess.**

9. At Córdoba in Andalusia in the region of Spain, **Saint Theodemir, a monk** of Carmona **and martyr**, who, still young, suffered during the persecution by the Moors.
10. At Angers in France, **blessed John Soreth, priest** of the Carmelite Order, whom he led to a stricter observance and enriched with communities of nuns.
11. At Camerino in Picenum in Italy, **blessed Peter of Molliano Corradini, priest** of the Order of Friars Minor, famous for evangelical preaching, examples of virtue, and the fame of miracles.
12. At Salsette in India, **the blessed martyrs Rudolph Acquaviva, Alphonsus Pacheco, Peter Berno, Anthony Francisco, priests, and Francis Aranha, religious**, of the Society of Jesus, who were killed by unbelievers for having exalted the cross.
13. At Bovino in Apulia, **blessed Anthony Lucci, bishop**, of the Order of Conventual Friars Minor, who was renowned for his singular learning and was so generous in aiding the poor that he did not even attend to his own needs.
14. On a ship at anchor off the coast of Rochefort in France, **blessed Michael Louis Brulard, priest** of the Discalced Carmelite Order **and martyr**, who, during the French Revolution, was inhumanely confined because of the priesthood and, consumed by disease, perished.
15. At Madrid in Spain, **blessed Maria of Mount Carmel Salles y Barangueras, virgin**, who founded *the Congregation of Sisters of the Immaculate Conception* to educate devout and cultured women.

16. At Urda in the province of Toledo in Spain, **the blessed martyrs Peter of the Heart, priest, Felix of the Five Wounds Ugalde Irurzun, and Benedict of the Virgin “of the Vineyard” Solano Ruiz, religious** of the Congregation of the Passion, who, during a great persecution, were slain by gunfire for the Christian faith and crowned with the palm of martyrdom.

17. Near Talavera de la Reina in the Toledo region of Spain, **the blessed martyrs Frederick (Charles) Rubio Álvarez, priest, Primo Martínez de San Vicente Castillo, Hieronymus Ochoa Urdangarin, and John of the Cross (Eligius) Delgado Pastor, religious** of the Order of Saint John of God, who in the same persecution promptly obtained a glorious crown.

18. At Monzón near Huesca in Aragon in the region of Spain, **blessed Denis Pamplona, priest** of the Order of Clerics Regular of the Pious Schools and martyr, killed in hatred of the faith in the same period.

19. In the town of Motril near Granada on the coast of Spain, **the blessed martyrs Deogratias Palacios, León Inchausti, Joseph Rada, Julian Moreno, priests, and Joseph Richard Diez, religious**, who, serving Christ in the Order of Augustinian Recollects, were suddenly captured by a mob in the same persecution and immediately shot dead on the road.

20. In the detention camp of Działdowo in Poland, **blessed Maria Teresa Kowalska, virgin** of the Capuchin Poor Clares **and martyr**, who, during the occupation of Poland in war, was imprisoned for keeping the faith and died, upheld by the faith of Christ, on her final day.

July 26th

This Day, the Twenty-sixth Day of July

Memorial of **Saints Joachim and Anne**, the parents of the Immaculate Virgin Mary, Mother of God, whose names have been preserved by the ancient traditions of Christians.

2. Commemoration of **Saint Erastus**, who, as the treasurer of the city of Corinth, ministered to the blessed Apostle Paul.
3. In the monastery of Saint Benedict at the Po [River] in the region of Mantua, **Saint Simeon, monk and hermit**.
4. At Auch in Aquitaine, **Saint Austindus, bishop**, by whose work the cathedral church was built, the morals of the people refined, and the house of God restored.
5. At Verona in Venetia, **blesseds Evangelista and Peregrinus, priests**.
6. At Sassoferrato in Piceno, Italy, **blessed Hugh of the Acts, monk** of the Silvestrine Congregation of the Order of Saint Benedict.
7. At San Septempeda also in Piceno, **blessed Camilla Gentili, martyr**, who was killed by her impious husband.
8. In the village of Gateshead near Newcastle upon the River Tyne in England, **blessed John Ingram, priest and martyr**, who, English by birth, was ordained in the Lateran Basilica and ministered in Scotland until, having crossed into England for the priesthood, he perished by the penalty of hanging under Queen Elizabeth I.

9. At Darlington also in England, **blessed George Swallowell, martyr**, who, in the same year, having been reconciled to the Catholic Church, was condemned to death and, though overwhelmed with great fear and cruelly tormented by his enemies, bravely accepted the most severe torments for Christ.

10. At Lancaster likewise in England, **blesseds Edward Thwing**, of the Order of Preachers, **and Robert Nutter, priests and martyrs**, who, after many labors accomplished in the vineyard of the Lord, condemned under Queen Elizabeth I because of the priesthood, fulfilled a glorious martyrdom.

11. At London also in England, **blessed William Webster, priest and martyr**, who, after ministering for more than twenty years in various prisons, was arrested under King Charles I by order of Parliament because he was a priest and completed his martyrdom at the gallows of Tyburn.

12. In the village of *Phú Yên* in Annam, **blessed Andrew, martyr**, who, being a **catechist**, was impiously captured by soldiers during a persecution against the Christian faith, and poured out his blood for Christ — the first-fruit of the Church in that land.

13. At sea, off the coast of Rochefort, bound to an anchored prison ship, **blesseds Marcellus Gaucher Labigne de Reigneftort**, of the Society of Missionaries, **and Peter Joseph Le Groing de La Romagère, priests and martyrs**, the former from the region of Limoges and the latter from Bourges, who, during the French upheaval, given over to inhuman custody out of hatred for religion, died from starvation and disease.

14. At Orange also in France, **blessed Mary Margaret of Saint Augustine Bonnet and four companions, virgins**¹² of the Order of Saint Ursula, who, in the same storm of persecution, underwent martyrdom.

15. At Lovere in Lombardy, **Saint Bartholomea Capitanio, virgin**, who, together with **Saint Vincentia Gerosa**, founded *the Institute of the Sisters of Charity of Mary Infant*, and, afflicted with tuberculosis, but rather consumed by charity, died at the age of twenty-seven.

16. In the village of Motril near Granada on the coast of Spain, **blesseds Vincent Pinilla**, of the Order of Augustinian Recollects, and **Emmanuel Martín Sierra, priests and martyrs**, who, the day after the martyrdom of five of their companions, were dragged from the church and shot through with bullets.

17. In the concentration camp of Dachau near Munich in Bavaria, Germany, **blessed Titus Brandsma, priest** of the Carmelite Order and **martyr**, a Dutchman by birth, who, for the defense of the Church and the dignity of man, bore all kinds of evils and persecutions with a calm spirit, giving an extraordinary example of charity both to his fellow prisoners and even to his executioners.

18. At Valletta on the island of Malta, **blessed George Preca, priest**, who, lovingly devoted to the task of catechetical instruction for children, founded *the Society of Christian Doctrine* to give witness to the word of God among the people.

This Day, the Twenty-seventh Day of July

July 27th

1. **Commemoration of the Seven Holy Sleepers of Ephesus**, who, as it is told, having completed martyrdom, rest in peace, awaiting the day of resurrection.
2. At Nicomedia in Bithynia, **Saint Pantaleon, or Pantaleimon, martyr**, who is honored in the East, a **physician** who practiced his art without any fee.
3. At Salins-les-Bains on Mount Jura in France, **Saint Desideratus**, who is believed to have been **bishop** of Besançon.
4. At Rome, in the cemetery of Priscilla on the Via Salaria, **Pope Saint Celestine I**, who, zealous in defending the faith of the Church and in expanding its boundaries, first established the episcopacy in Britain and Ireland and, *through his support, the Council of Ephesus proclaimed the blessed Mary as the Mother of God*.
5. Near Antioch in Syria, **Saint Simeon, monk**, who lived for many years standing upon a column, whence he received the name **Stylite**; his life and conduct were wondrous.
6. At Loches on the Indre River, in the district of Tours in France, **Saint Ursus, abbot**, father of many monasteries, famous for admirable abstinence and other virtues.
7. At Ravenna in Flaminia, **Saint Ecclesius, bishop**, who, companion of Pope Saint John I in enduring the atrocities of King Theodoric, stood firm and led his Church to new splendor.

8. In Béarn, a region near the Pyrenees in Gascony, France, **Saint Galactorius**, who is honored as **bishop** of Lescar **and martyr**.

9. At Mantinea near Claudiopolis in Honoriade, **Saint Anthusa, virgin, a nun**, who under Emperor Constantine Copronymus was scourged and exiled for venerating sacred Images; at length she was recalled to her homeland and died in peace.

10. At Córdoba in Andalusia, a province of Spain, **the holy martyrs George, deacon, and Syrian, monk, Aurelius and Sabigotha, husband and wife, and Felix and Liliosa, also husband and wife**, who, during the persecution of the Moors, seized with desire for testimony and the faith of Christ, never ceased praising Christ in prison and were finally beheaded.

11. At Ohrid in Illyricum, **Saint Clement, bishop** of Velitsa, outstanding in education and knowledge of sacred letters, who brought the light of the faith to the people of Bulgaria. **Along with him are commemorated Saint Bishops Gorazd, Nahum, Sabas, and Angelarius**, who continued the work of Saints Cyril and Methodius in Bulgaria.

12. In the monastery of Garsten in Styria, **blessed Berthold, abbot**, to whom penitents seeking counsel or those asking for help had easy access.

13. At Piacenza in Emilia, **blessed Raymond Palmerio, a father of a family**, who, bereft of wife and children, founded a hospice for receiving the poor.

14. At Faenza also in Emilia, **blessed Nevolone**, renowned for sacred pilgrimages, austerity of life, and hermit-like observance.

15. At Amelia in Umbria, **blessed Lucia Bufalari, virgin**, sister of blessed John of Rieti, of the Oblates of the Order of Saint Augustine, known for her penances and zeal for souls.
16. At Stafford in England, **blessed Robert Sutton, priest and martyr**, who was hanged under Queen Elizabeth I because of the priesthood.
17. At Beaumaris in Wales, **blessed William Davies, priest and martyr**, who, in the same persecution, for the priesthood alone, while praying for those present, suffered the same punishment.
18. At Brescia in Lombardy, **blessed Maria Magdalena Martinengo, abbess** of the Capuchin Poor Clares, notable for her abstinences.
19. In the town of Ollería in the district of Valencia, Spain, **blessed Joachim Vilanova Camallonga, priest and martyr**, who in a time of persecution against the Christian faith obtained glory.
20. In the village of Llísa near Barcelona, likewise in Spain, **blessed Modest Vegas Vegas, priest** of the Order of Friars Minor Conventual **and martyr**, who, during the same persecution raging against the faith, poured out his blood for Christ.
21. At Barcelona, likewise in Spain, **blesseds Philip Hernández Martínez, Zachary Abadía Buesa, and James Ortiz Alzueta, religious** of the Salesian Society **and martyrs**, who suffered martyrdom during the same persecution.
22. In the camp at *Oświęcim* or *Auschwitz* near Kraków in Poland, **blessed Maria Clementina of Jesus Crucified Staszewska, virgin** of the Order of Saint Ursula

and martyr, who, during the war, imprisoned in the dreadful extermination camp because of her faith, succumbed, crushed by torments.

July 28th

This Day, the Twenty-eight Day of July

- 1. Commemoration of Saints Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas, and Nicholas the proselyte** of Antioch, who were among the seven whom the multitude of disciples, full of the Spirit and wisdom, chose, and upon whom the Apostles laid hands, so that they might serve in the ministry to the needy.
- 2. At Rome, Saint Victor I, Pope**, an African, *who decreed that the holy Pasch should be celebrated by all the Churches on the Sunday following the Jewish Passover.*
- 3. Commemoration of many martyrs**, who in the Thebaid of Egypt suffered during the persecution under Emperors Decius and Valerian; while Christians desired to be struck down by the sword for the name of Christ, their cunning enemies, seeking slow torments leading to death, preferred to destroy their souls rather than their bodies.
- 4. At Miletus in Caria, Saint Acacius, martyr**, under the emperor Licinius.
- 5. At Milan in Liguria, Saints Nazarius and Celsus, martyrs**, whose bodies were found by Saint Ambrose.

6. At Troyes in France, **Saint Camelian, bishop**, who was a disciple and successor of Saint Lupus.
7. At Dol in Brittany, **Saint Samson, abbot and bishop**, who spread the Gospel and monastic discipline, learned in Wales from Saint Illtud the abbot, in Domnonia.
8. In Sweden, **Saint Botvid, martyr**, a Swede by birth, baptized in England, who gave himself to evangelizing his homeland until he was killed by a man whom he himself had ransomed from slavery.
9. In the city of *Nam Định* in Tonkin, **Saint Melchior Garcia Sampedro, bishop** of the Order of Preachers **and martyr**, who was led into most severe imprisonment for Christ and, by order of the emperor Tự Đức, was beaten to death, his limbs crushed.
10. At Madrid in Spain, **Saint Peter Poveda Castroverde, priest and martyr**, who founded *the Teresian Institute* for promoting Christian education and, at the beginning of the persecution against the Church, was killed in hatred of the faith and gave clear witness to God.
11. At Gabas in the region of Zaragoza, likewise in Spain, **blesseds Emmanuel Segura, priest, and David Carlos, religious**, of the Order of Clerics Regular of the Pious Schools, **martyrs** in the same persecution.
12. At Tarragona, likewise in Spain, **Saint James Hilary (Emmanuel) Barbal Cosan, religious** of the Brothers of the Christian Schools, **martyr**, who, during the raging persecution, was condemned to death in hatred of the Church.

13. At Barcelona, likewise in Spain, **blesseds Joseph Caselles Moncho and Joseph Castell Camps, priests** of the Salesian Society **and martyrs**, who, during the same persecution against the faith, merited to attain the glory of eternal life through martyrdom.

14. In the city of Bharananganam in Kerala, India, **blessed Alphonsa of the Immaculate Conception (Anna) Muttathupadathu, virgin**, who, in order to avoid a forced marriage, thrust her foot into the fire, and, admitted among the Malabar Poor Clares, though almost always ill, offered her life.

July 29th

This Day, the Twenty-ninth Day of July

Memorial of **Saint Martha**, who at Bethany near Jerusalem received the Lord Jesus into her home and, when her brother had died, made confession: “You are the Christ, the Son of God, who has come into the world.”

2. Commemoration of the saints Lazarus, the brother of Saint Martha, whom the Lord wept over when he was dead and raised again, and Mary, his sister, who, while Martha was busy with much service, sat beside the Lord’s feet and listened to his word.

3. At Gangra in Paphlagonia, **Saint Callinicus, martyr.**
4. At Rome, on the Via Portuensis at the third milestone, in the cemetery named after him, **Saint Felix, martyr.**
5. In the same place, in the Generosa cemetery, **the holy martyrs Simplicius, Faustinus, Viatrix, and Rufus.**
6. At Troyes in France of Lyon, **Saint Lupus, bishop**, who went with Saint Germanus of Auxerre to Britain to oppose the Pelagian heresy, defended his city from the fury of Attila by prayer, and, having fulfilled the office of priest for fifty-two years with veneration, rested in peace.
7. At Orléans also in Lyon France, **Saint Prosper, bishop.**
8. At Nidaros in Norway, **Saint Olaf, martyr**, who, being **king** of his people, propagated the Christian faith, which he had come to know in England, in his kingdom by diligently rooting out idolatry; but finally, attacked by enemies, he fell by the sword.
9. At Rome near Saint Peter's, **blessed Urban II, pope**, who defended the liberty of the Church against the invasions of laymen, fought against simoniacs and corrupt clerics, and at the Council of Clermont encouraged Christian soldiers, signed with the cross, to liberate their brothers oppressed by unbelievers and the Lord's tomb.
10. In the town of Saint-Brieuc in Brittany of France, **Saint William Pinchon, bishop**, who dedicated himself to the rebuilding of the cathedral church, shone

with kindness and simplicity, and with fearless strength of soul, suffered severe harassment and exile in defense of the sheep and the rights of the Church.

11. At Omura in Japan, **the blessed martyrs Louis Bertrand, a priest** of the Order of Preachers, Mancio of the Holy Cross, **and Peter of Saint Mary, religious** of the same Order, who were thrown into the fire for Christ.

12. In the strait near Rochefort off the coast of France, **blessed Charles Nicholas Anthony Ancel, priest** of the Society of Jesus and Mary **and martyr**, who, during the French upheaval, being detained on a ship of inhuman captivity on account of being a priest, caught a grievous infection and fulfilled martyrdom.

13. In the city of *Qingyan* in the province of *Guizhou* in China, **the holy martyrs Joseph Zhang Wenlan and Paul Chen Changpin, seminarians, John Baptist Lou Tingyin, administrator of the seminary, and Martha Wang Louzhi, widow**, who, held in a hot and damp cage, endured cruel tortures and finally died, beheaded for the faith of Christ.

14. In the town of *Esplugues* near Barcelona in Spain, **blessed John Baptist Egozcuezabal Aldaz, religious** of the Order of Saint John of God and martyr, who, in a time of persecution against the faith, was killed out of hatred for the Church.

15. At Calanda near Teruel also in Spain, **the blessed martyrs Lucius Martinez Mancebo, priest** of the Order of Preachers, **and companions**¹³—**thirteen martyrs**—who, strengthened by the power of Christ, perished in the same persecution.

16. At Valencia also in Spain, **blessed Joseph de Calasanz Marqués, priest** of the Salesian Society and martyr, who in the same persecution shed his blood for Christ.

July 30th

This Day, the Thirtieth Day of July

Saint Peter, surnamed **Chrysologus, bishop of Ravenna and Doctor of the Church**, who, having received the surname from the blessed Apostle, fulfilled his office in such a way that he enclosed multitudes into the faith with the net of heavenly teaching and satisfied them with the sweetness of the divine word. His passing at Forum Cornelii in Flaminia occurred on the following day.

2. At Rome, in the cemetery of Pontianus on the Via Portuensis, **the holy martyrs Abdon and Sennen**.

3. At Caesarea in Cappadocia, **Saint Julitta, martyr**, who, when she steadfastly refused the judge's command to offer incense to the idols, was cast into the fire.

4. At Thuburbo Lucernaria in Africa, **the holy virgins and martyrs Maxima, Donatilla, and Secunda**, of whom the first two, in the persecution of the emperor Diocletian, without fear rejected the command of Caesar to sacrifice to idols and, by the sentence of the proconsul Anulinus, **together with the girl Secunda**, were first handed over to the beasts, then their throats slit with the sword.

5. At Auxerre in France of Lyon, **Saint Ursus, bishop.**
6. At Gistel in Flanders, **Saint Godelieve, martyr**, who, having been married to the lord of the place, suffered much from her husband and his mother and was at last strangled by two servants.
7. At Caleruega in the region of Castile in Spain, **the commemoration of blessed Mannes Guzmán, priest**, brother of Saint Dominic, who was a helper in propagating the Order of Preachers and a prudent counselor of nuns.
8. At London in England, **the blessed martyrs Edward Powell, Richard Featherstone, and Thomas Abel, priests and doctors of sacred theology**, who resisted the divorce proposed by King Henry VIII and steadfastly persevered in fidelity to the Roman Pontiff, for which, after imprisonment in the Tower of the city, they were hanged at the gallows in Smithfield.
9. In the village of *Daying* near the city of *Zaoqiang* in *Hebei* province of China, **Saint Joseph Yuan Gengyin, martyr**, who, during the persecution of the “*Yihetuan*,” was killed for the name of Christ while he was a merchant at the local market.
10. At the place Calafell near Tarragona on the coast of Spain, **the blessed martyrs Braulio María (Paul) Corres Díaz de Cerio, priest, and fourteen companions** ¹⁴ of the Order of Saint John of God, who, captured during the persecution against religious, forgave their enemies and merited the most blessed crown of martyrdom.
11. In the town of *Castelserás* near Teruel, also in Spain, **the blessed martyrs Joseph María Muro Sanmiguel, priest, Joachim Prats Baltueña, religious**, of

the Order of Preachers, **and Zósimo Izquierdo Gil, priest**, who, during the same raging persecution against the faith, attained the crown of glory for Christ.

12. At Barcelona, also in Spain, **blessed Sergius Cid Pazo, priest** of the Salesian Society and martyr, who, during that same persecution, perished because of his fearless testimony of faith.

13. At Padua in Italy, **Saint Leopold (Bogdan) of Castelnuovo Mandic, priest** of the Order of Friars Minor Capuchin, who burned with zeal for the unity of Christians and dedicated his whole life to the ministry of reconciliation.

14. At Guadalajara in Mexico, **blessed María Vincenta of Saint Dorothy Chávez Orozco, virgin**, who, as foundress of *the Institute of the Servants of the Poor*, trusting only in God and Divine Providence, gave witness to gentleness and devoted care for the suffering and the poor.

15. In the same place, **blessed María of Jesus Sacramentado Venegas de la Torre, virgin**, who for fifty-four years devoted herself to the care of the sick in a small hospital for the poor, where she founded *the Congregation of the Daughters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus*.

July 31st

This Day, the Thirty-first Day of July

Memorial of **Saint Ignatius of Loyola, priest**, who, born in Spain in the region of the Basques, lived in the royal court and served in the military, until, after suffering a grave wound, he was converted to God. He completed his theological studies at Paris and gathered his first companions, whom he later established at Rome in the *Society of Jesus*, where he himself fruitfully exercised ministry both in writing works and in forming disciples, *“for the greater glory of God.”*

2. At Milan in Transpadane Italy, **Saint Calimerius, bishop**.

3. At Synnada in Phrygia, **the holy martyrs Democritus, Secundus, and Dionysius**.

4. At Caesarea in Mauretania, **Saint Fabius, martyr**, who, when he refused to carry the imperial standards at the provincial assembly, was first thrust into prison and, as he persevered in the confession of Christ, was condemned to death by the judge.

5. At Rome on the Via Latina, **Saint Tertullinus, martyr**.

6. Near Ravenna in Flaminia, **the passing of Saint Germanus, bishop** of Auxerre, who twice defended the faith of the Britons against the Pelagian heresy and, having gone to Ravenna to reconcile peace in the region of Armorica, was gloriously received by the Emperors Valentinian and Galla Placidia, and there he ascended to the heavenly kingdom.

7. At Forum Cornelii, also in Flaminia, **the passing of Saint Peter Chrysologus, bishop** of Ravenna, whose memorial is celebrated on the previous day.

8. At Skövde in Sweden, **Saint Helena, widow**, who, though unjustly slain, is regarded as a **martyr**.
9. At Acquapendente in Tuscany, **the passing of blessed John Colombini**, who, once a wealthy cloth merchant, converted to poverty, gathered disciples into the Order of Jesuati, whom he desired to be poor for Christ and spouses of Lady Poverty.
10. At London in England, **blessed Everard Hanse, priest and martyr**, who, from the day he professed the Catholic faith, faithfully preserved it, spread it among his fellow citizens, and gloriously sealed it with martyrdom at Tyburn under Queen Elizabeth I.
11. At sea near Rochefort in France, **blessed John Francis Jarrige de la Morélie du Breuil, priest and martyr**, who, during the fierce persecution against the Church in the time of the French upheaval, confined aboard a filthy prison ship, died of consumption.
12. At *Cây Mét* near Saigon in Cochin China, **the holy martyrs Peter Đoan Công Quỷ, priest, and Emmanuel Phụng**, who, after spending about seven months in prison, were beheaded for Christ under the emperor Tự Đức.
13. In the valley of Alighede in Ethiopia, **Saint Justin de Jacobis, bishop** of the Congregation of the Mission, who, gentle and full of charity, labored in apostolic works and in forming an indigenous clergy, and soon endured hunger, thirst, hardships, and imprisonment.
14. In the city of Granollers near Barcelona in Spain, **the blessed martyrs Dionysius Vicente Ramos, priest, and Francis Remón Játiva, religious**, of the

Order of Friars Minor Conventual, who, in the persecution against the faith, followed in the footsteps of Christ through their martyrdom.

15. At Valencia, also in Spain, **blessed James Buch Canals, religious** of the Salesian Society **and martyr**, who, in the same persecution, died confessing Christ.

16. Near Munich in Bavaria, Germany, in the detention camp of Dachau, **blessed Michael Oziębłowski, priest and martyr**, who, having been forcibly deported from his native Poland under a regime hostile to religion, was imprisoned in a foreign camp, where he endured torture and fulfilled his martyrdom.

17. At Kalisz in Poland, **blessed Francis Stryjas, martyr**, who, during the same time, broken by many torments, gloriously passed to the Lord.

18. At Trnava in Slovakia, **blessed Zdenka (Cecilia) Schelingová, virgin** of the Congregation of the Sisters of Charity of the Holy Cross **and martyr**, who, in a most difficult time for the Church in her nation, having suffered greatly in body and spirit for the sake of a priest whom she had helped, finally worn out by illness, shone as an untiring and joyful witness of Christ.

¹ Quorum nomina: sancti episcopi Aloysius Versiglia, Antoninus Fantosati, Franciscus Fogolla, Gabriel Taurinus Dufresse et Gregorius Grassi; presbyteri Cresidius Giacomantonio, Elias Facchini, Ioannes de Triora (Franciscus Maria) Lantrua, Iosephus Maria Gambaro, Theodoricus Balat, ex Ordine Fratrum Minorum; Franciscus Diaz del Rincon, Franciscus Fernandez de Capillas, Franciscus Serrano, Ioachim Royo, Ioannes Alcober, ex Ordine Paedicatorum; Leo Ignatius Mangin, Modestus Andlauer, Paulus Denn, Remigius Isore, e Societate Iesu; Albericus Crescitelli, e Pontificio Instituto pro Missionibus exteris; Augustus Chapdelaine et Ioannes Petrus Neel, e Societate Parisiensi Missionum ad exterarum gentes; Callistus Caravario, e Societate Salesiana; Franciscus Regis Clet, e Congregatione Missionis; Paulus Liu Hanzuo et Thaddreus Liu Ruiting; necnon Maria a Pace (Maria Anna) Giuliani, Maria a Sancta Natalia (Ioanna Maria) Kerguin, Maria a Sancto Iusto (Anna Francisca) Moreau, Maria Adolphina (Anna Catharina) Dierk, Maria Amandina (Paulina) Jeuris, Maria Clara (Clelia) Nanetti, Maria Ermellina a Iesu (Irma) Grivot, virgines ex Instituto Franciscalum Missionariorum Marire; Iosephus Zhang Wenlan et Paulus Chen Changpin, seminarii alumni; Ioannes Wang Rui, Ioannes Zhang Huan, Ioannes Zhang Jingguang, Patricius Dong Bodi, Philippus

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Zhang Zhihe, Andreas Bauer, Franciscus Zhang Rong, Matthias Feng De, Petrus Wu Anpeng, Petrus Zhang Banniu, Simon Chen Ximan, Thomas Shen Jihe, religiosi; Hieronymus Lu Tingmei, Ioachim He Kaizhi, Ioannes Chen Xianheng, Ioannes Zhang Tianshen, Iosephus Zhang Dapeng, Laurentius Wang Bing, Lucia Yi Zhenmei, Martinus Wu Xuesheng, Petrus Liu Wenyan, Petrus Wu Guosheng, catechiste; atque Agatha Lin Zhao, Agnes Cao Kuiying, Andreas Wang Tianqing, Anna An Jiaozhi, Anna An Xinzhi, Anna Wang, Barbara Cui Lianzhi, Elisabeth Qin Bianzhi, Iacobus Yan Guodong, Iacobus Zhao Quanxin, Ioannes Baptista Lou Tingyin, Ioannes Baptista Wu Mantang, Ioannes Baptista Zhao Mingxi, Ioannes Baptista Zhou Wurui, Ioannes Wang Guixin, Ioannes Wu Wenyin, Iosephus Ma Taishun, Iosephus Wang Guiji, Iosephus Wang Yumei, Iosephus Yuan Gengyin, Iosephus Yuan Zaide, Lang Yangzhi, Laurentius Bai Xiaoman, Lucia Wang Cheng, Lucia Wang Wangzhi, Magdalena Du Fengju, Marcus Ji Tianxiang, Maria An Guozhi, Maria An Lihua, Maria Du Tianshi, Maria Du Zhaozhi, Maria Fan Kun, Maria Fu Guilin, Maria Guo Lizhi, Maria Qi Yu, Maria Wang Lizhi, Maria Zhao Guozhi, Maria Zhao, Maria Zheng Xu, Maria Zhou Wuzhi, Martha Wang Louzhi, Paulus Ke Tingzhu, Paulus Lang Fu, Paulus Liu Jinde, Paulus Wu Juan, Paulus Wu Wanshu, Petrus Li Quanhui, Petrus Liu Ziyu, Petrus Wang Erman, Petrus Wang Zuolong, Petrus Zhao Mingzhen, Petrus Zhou Rixin, Raymundus Li Quanzhen, Rosa Chen Aixie, Rosa Fan Hui, Rosa Zhao, Simon Qin Chunfu, Teresia Chen Jinxie, Teresia Zhang Hezhi, Xi Guizi et Zhang Huailu, laici.

² Quorum nomina: sancti Hieronymus de Weert, Theodoricus van der Eem, Nicasius de Heeze, Willehadus de Dania, Godefridus de Melveren Coart, Antonius de Hoornaert, Antonius de Werta et Franciscus de Rauga, presbyteri ex Ordine Fratrum Minorum, necnon Petrus d'Assche van der Slagmolen et Cornelius de Dorestado, religiosi ex eodem Ordine; Ioannes Lenaerts, canonicus regularis Sancti Augustini; Ioannes Coloniensis, presbyter ex Ordine Praedicatorum; Hadrianus de Hilvarenbeek, Iacobus Lacops, presbyteri ex Ordine Praemonstratensium; Leonardus Vechel, Nicolaus Poppel, Godefridus van Duynen, Andreas Wouters, presbyteri.

³ Quorum nomina: sancti Elias Facchini, Theodoricus Balat, presbyteri, et Andreas Bauer, religiosus, ex Ordine Fratrum Minorum; Maria Ermellina a Iesu (Irma) Grivot, Maria a Pace (Maria Anna) Giuliani, Maria Clara (Celia) Nanetti, Maria a Sancta Natalia (Ioanna Maria) Kerguin, Maria a Sancto Iusto (Anna Francisca) Moreau, Maria Adolphina (Anna Catharina) Dierk, Maria Amandina (Paulina) Jeuris, religiosae ex Instituto Franciscanum Missionariarum Mariae; et adhuc Ioannes Zhang Huan, Patricius Dong Bodi, Philippus Zhang Zhihe, Ioannes Zhang Jingguang, Ioannes Wang Rui, Thomas Shen Jihe, Simon Chen Ximan, Petrus Wu Anpeng, Franciscus Zhang Rong, Matthias Feng De, Iacobus Yan Guodong, Petrus Zhang Banniu, Iacobus Zhao Quanxin, Petrus Wang Erman.

⁴ Quorum nomina: beati Carmelus Volta, Petrus Soler, Nicolaus Alberca, Engelbertus Kalland, Ascanius Nicanor, presbyteri, atque Franciscus Pinazo et Ioannes Iacobus Fernandez, religiosi, ex Ordine Fratrum Minorum; Franciscus, Mootius et Raphael Massabki, germani.

⁵ Quorum nomina: beati Petrus Arakiyori Chobioye et Susanna, coniuges; Ioannes Tanakaet Catharina, coniuges; Ioannes Nagai Naisen et Monica, coniuges, et filius eorum Ludovicus, puer.

⁶ Quorum nomina: beatae Teresire Henricre ab Annuntiatione Faurie, Annre Andreere a Sancto Alexio Minutte, Marire Annre a Sancto Francisco Lambert, Marire Annre a Sancta Francisca Depeyre et Marire Anastasire a Sancto Gervasio de Roquard.

⁷ Quorum nomina: beati Didacus de Andrade, presbyter; Gundisalvus Henriques, diaconus; Antonius Soares, Benedictus de Castro, Ioannes Fernandes, Emmanuel Alvares, Franciscus Alvares, Ioannes de Mayorga, Stephanus Zuraire, Alphonsus de Baena, Dominicus Fernandes, alter Ioannes Fernandes, Alexius Delgado, Ludovicus Correia, Emmanuel Rodrigues, Simon Lopes, Emmanuel Fernandes, Alvarus Mendes, Petrus Nunes, Ludovicus Rodrigues, Franciscus de Magalhaes, Nicolaus Dinis, Gaspar Alvares, Blasius Ribeiro, Antonius Fernandes, Emmanuel Pacheco, Petrus de Fontoura, Andreas Gon9alves, Maurus Vaz, Didacus Pires, Marcus Caldeira, Antonius Correia, Fernandus

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Sanchez, Gregorius Escrivano, Franciscus Perez Godoy, Ioannes de Zafra, Ioannes de San Martin, religiosi, et Ioannes, qui adiunctus est.

⁸ Quorum nomina: beatae Maria a Iesu (Margarita Teresia) Charansol, Maria Anna a Sancto Ioachim Beguin-Royal, Maria Anna a Sancto Michaeli Dux, Maria Rosa a Sancto Andrea Laye, Dorothea a Corde Mariae et Magdalena a Sanctissimo Sacramento de Justamont.

⁹ Quorum nomina: beatae Maria Anna Francisca a Sancto Ludovico Brideau, Maria Anna a Iesu Crucifixo Piedcourt, Carlotta a Resurrectione (Anna Maria Magdalena) Thouret, Euphrasia ab Immaculata Conceptione (Maria Claudia Cypriana) Brard, Henrica a Iesu (Maria Gabriela) de Croissy, Teresia a Corde Mariae (Maria Anna) Hanisset, Teresia a Sancto Ignatio (Maria Gabriela) Trezelle, Iulia Ludovica a Iesu (Rosa) Chretien de Neufville, Maria Henrica a Providentia (Anna) Pelras, Constantia (Maria Genovefa) Meunier, Maria a Sancto Spiritu (Angelica) Roussel, Maria a Sancta Martha Dufour, Elisabeth Iulia a Sancto Francisco Verolot, Catharina et Teresia Soiron.

¹⁰ Quorum nomina: beati Iosephus a Sacris Cordibus Estalayo Garcia, Epiphanius a Sancto Michaeli Sierra Conde, Abilius a Cruce Ramos y Ramos, Zacharias a Sanctissimo Sacramento Fernandez Crespo, Fulgentius a Corde Marire Calvo Sanchez, religiosi.

¹¹ Quorum nomina: beati Philippus a Sacro Corde Marire Valcabado Granado, presbyter; Maurilius a Iesu Infante Macho Rodriguez, Iosephus a Iesu et Maria Osos Sainz, Iulius a Sacro Corde Mediavilla Concejero, Iosephus Maria a Iesu Moriente Ruiz Martinez, Laurinus a Iesu Crucifixo Proano Cuesta, Anacarius ab Immaculata Benito N ozal, Philippus a Sancto Michaeli Ruiz Fraile, religiosi.

¹² Quorum nomina: beati Catharina a Iesu (Maria Magdalena) de Justamont, Anna a Sancto Basilio Cartier, Clara a Sancta Rosalia (Maria Clara) du Bae, Elisabeth Teresia a Corde Iesu Consolin.

¹³ Quorum nomina: Antonius Lopez Couceiro, Felicissimus Diez Gonzalez, Saturius Rey Robles, Thyrsus Manrique Melero, presbyteri, Gumersindus Soto Barros et Lambertus de Navascues y de Juan, religiosi, ex Ordine Praedicatorum; atque Emmanuel Albert Gines, presbyter.

¹⁴ Quorum nomina: beati Iulianus (Michael) Carrasquer Fos, Eusebius (Antonius) Forcades Ferrate, Constans (Saturninus) Roca Huguet, Benedictus Iosephus Labre (Arsenius) Mafioso Gonzalez, Vincentius de Paul Canelles Vives, religiosi; Thomas Urdanoz Aldaz, Raphael Flamarique Salinas, Antonius Llaured Parisi, Emmanuel Lopez Orbara, Ignatius Tejera Molina, Henricus Beltran Llorca, Dominicus Pitarch Gurrea, Antonius Sanchis Silvestre, Emmanuel Jimenez Salado, novitii.

Omnes sancti Mártyres, oráte pro nobis. (“All ye Holy Martyrs, pray for us,” from the *Litaniae Sanctorum*, the Litany of the Saints)

2004 Roman Martyrology by Month

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“Scio opera tua ... quia modicum habes virtutem, et servasti verbum Meum, nec non negasti Nomen Meum”
(Apocalypsis 3.8)

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Semen est sanguis Christianorum (The blood of Christians is the seed of the Church)

Tertullian, *Apologeticum*, 50

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August 1st

This Day, the First Day of August

Memorial of Saint Alphonsus Maria de' Liguori, bishop and Doctor of the Church, outstanding for zeal for souls, through his writings, preaching, and example. To promote Christian life among the people, he dedicated himself to preaching and wrote many books, especially on moral theology, of which field he is considered a master. Amid many difficulties, he founded the Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer for the evangelization of country folk. Elected bishop of Sant'Agata dei Goti, he devoted himself beyond measure to this office, which he resigned after fifteen years due to serious illness, and at Nocera dei Pagani in Campania he spent the rest of his life, enduring great labors and difficulties.

2. Commemoration of the passion of the seven holy brother martyrs, who at Antioch in Syria, under King Antiochus Epiphanes, were cruelly put to death **along with their mother** for having kept the law of the Lord with unshakable faith. She suffered in each of her sons, but was crowned in them all, as is recounted in the Second Book of Maccabees. Also commemorated is Saint Eleazar, one of the leading scribes, a man advanced in years, who, in the same persecution, refusing to eat unlawful meat out of love for life, instead embraced a

most glorious death rather than a hateful life, and went willingly to punishment, leaving a great example of virtue.

3. On the Via Praenestina, thirty miles from the city of Rome, **Saint Secundinus, martyr.**

4. At Girona in Tarraconese Spain, **Saint Felix, martyr** in the persecution of the emperor Diocletian.

5. At Vercelli in Liguria, **the birth into heaven of Saint Eusebius, bishop**, whose memorial is celebrated tomorrow.

6. At Bayeux in France of Lyon, **Saint Exuperius**, who is venerated as the first **bishop** of that city.

7. In Aquitaine, **Saint Severus, priest**, who spent his wealth in founding churches and serving the poor.

8. On the island of Vindunet near Nantes in France, **the holy hermits Friard and Secundellus, deacons.**

9. At Marcienne in Belgic France, **Saint Jonatus, abbot**, disciple of Saint Amandus.

10. At Winchester in England, **the death of Saint Ethelwold, bishop**, who composed the Regular Concord to restore monastic discipline, which he had learned from Saint Dunstan.

11. At Aosta in the Graian Alps, **blessed Emeric of Quart, bishop**, remarkable for the austerity of his life and zeal for the salvation of souls.

12. At Rieti in the Sabine region, **blessed John Bufalari, religious** of the Order of Hermits of Saint Augustine, a humble and cheerful young man, always attentive to others.

13. At Rome, **blessed Peter Faber, priest**, *the first of the companions in the Society of Jesus*, who took on great labors in various parts of Europe, and, while on his way to the Council of Trent, died in the City.

14. At York in England, **blessed Thomas Welbourne, martyr**, who, a **schoolmaster**, was condemned to death under King James I for advising others to follow the Roman Pontiff, and, hanged on the gallows, conformed to Christ the supreme Teacher in death.

15. At the city of *Nam Định* in Tonkin, **the holy martyrs Dominic Nguyễn Văn Hạnh (Diêu)**, of the Order of Preachers, **and Bernard Vũ Văn Duệ, priests**, who under the emperor Minh Mạng were beheaded for Christ.

16. At La Mure near the Isère River in France, **the birth into heaven of Saint Peter Julian Eymard, priest**, whose memorial is celebrated tomorrow.

17. At Madrid in Spain, **blessed Benvenutus (Joseph) de Miguel Arahal, priest** of the Third Order of Capuchin Franciscans of the blessed Virgin of Sorrows **and martyr**, who, during the fierce persecution against the faith, shed his blood for Christ.

18. In the detention camp of Dachau near Munich in Bavaria, Germany, **bleased Alexis Sobaszek, priest and martyr**, who, a Pole by birth, was inhumanely deported during the war by invaders and, defending the faith, died under torture for Christ.

19. In the forest near the city of Nowogródek in Poland, **the blessed virgins and martyrs Mary Stella of the Most blessed Sacrament (Adelaida Mardosewicz) and ten companions**, of the Congregation of the Sisters of the Holy Family of Nazareth ¹ who, in the deadly times of war, were pierced by bullets by enemies of the faith and attained heavenly glory.

August 2nd

This Day, the Second Day of August

Saint Eusebius, the first bishop of Vercelli in Liguria, who strengthened the Church throughout the whole subalpine region, and on account of his confession of the Nicene faith was exiled by the emperor Constantius to Scythopolis, then to Cappadocia and to the Thebaid, from which he returned to his see after eight years, and worked diligently for the restoration of the faith against the Arians.

Saint Peter Julian Eymard, priest, who, first a diocesan priest, then a member of the Society of Mary, became a distinguished promoter of the mystery of the Eucharist, and founded new Congregations: one of clerics, the other of handmaids—for fostering and

spreading devotion toward the Most Blessed Sacrament, and died in the very village of La Mure near Grenoble in France, where he had been born.

3. In Africa, **the commemoration of Saint Rutilius, martyr**, who, although he had frequently fled persecution from place to place and at times had even redeemed himself from danger with money, was unexpectedly arrested and brought before the governor, tortured with many torments, and finally handed over to the flames, and was crowned with a glorious martyrdom.

4. At Rome in the cemetery of Callistus, **Saint Stephen I, pope**, who, lest the baptismal union of Christians with Christ—which must be effected only once—be obscured, prohibited heretics who were seeking full communion with the Church from being baptized again.

5. In the countryside of Burgos in Spain, **Saint Centolla, martyr**.

6. At Padua in Venetia, **Saint Maximus, bishop**, who is believed to have succeeded Saint Prosdocius.

7. At Marseille in Provence in France, **Saint Serenus, bishop**, who gave hospitality to Saint Augustine and his companions, sent by Pope Saint Gregory the Great to evangelize the English, and, journeying to Rome, rested piously in the region of Vercelli.

8. At Chartres in Neustria, **Saint Betharius, bishop**.

9. At Palencia in Castile, Spain, **the passing of Saint Peter, bishop** of Osma, who, first a monk, then archdeacon of the Church of Toledo, was finally elevated

to the see of Osma, newly freed from Moorish domination, which he restored with pastoral zeal.

10. At Caleruega, likewise in Castile, **the commemoration of blessed Joan, mother of Saint Dominic**, who, full of faith, bestowed great mercy on the wretched and afflicted.

11. At Barbastro, likewise in Spain, **the blessed Philip of Jesus Munárriz Azcona, John Díaz Nosti, and Leontius Pérez Ramos, priests and martyrs**, who, Missionaries of the Sons of the Immaculate Heart of the blessed Virgin Mary, while persecution raged against the Church, were shot by militiamen at the cemetery gate out of hatred for the religious life.

12. In the same place, **blessed Zephyrinus Giménez Malla, martyr**, who, being of Gypsy origin, labored to promote peace and harmony among his people and their neighbors, until in the same persecution, when he defended a certain priest being dragged through the streets by militiamen, he was thrown into prison and finally led to the cemetery, and, holding a Rosary in his hands, was shot and completed his earthly pilgrimage.

13. In the village of Hjar near Teruel in Spain, **blessed Francis Calvo Burillo, priest** of the Order of Preachers **and martyr**, who, while persecution against the faith was raging, suffered martyrdom.

14. At Madrid, likewise in Spain, **blessed Francis Tomás Serer, priest** of the Third Order of the Capuchin Franciscans of the blessed Virgin of Sorrows **and martyr**, who in the same persecution deserved to shed his blood for Christ.

August 3rd

This Day, the Third Day of August

1. At Naples in Campania, **Saint Asprenatus**, the first **bishop** of the city.
2. At Autun in France of Lyon, **Saint Euphronius**, **bishop**, who rebuilt the basilica of Saint Symphorian the martyr and adorned the tomb of Saint Martin of Tours with greater splendor.
3. On Mount Massicus in Campania, **Saint Martin**, who, leading a solitary life, remained for many years enclosed in a very narrow cave.
4. At Anagni in Latium, Saint Peter, bishop, who was first distinguished for his monastic observance, and later for his pastoral vigilance, and he completed the rebuilding of the cathedral church.
5. At Lucera in Apulia, **blessed Augustine Kazotic**, **bishop**, of the Order of Preachers, who first presided over the Church of Zagreb, then, on account of the hostility of the king of Dalmatia, sought the see of Lucera, where he gave his utmost care to the poor and the needy.
6. At Lucentum in Spain, **blessed Salvador Ferrandis Seguí**, **priest and martyr**, who, while a persecution against the faith was raging, by shedding his blood for Christ attained the glorious palm [of martyrdom].

7. In the village of Samalús near Barcelona, likewise in Spain, **the blessed martyrs Alfonso López López, priest, and Michael Remón Salvador, religious**, of the Order of Friars Minor Conventual, who in the same persecution were crowned on account of their witness to Christ.

8. At Barcelona likewise in Spain, **blessed Francis Bandrés Sánchez, priest** of the Salesian Society **and martyr**, who, at the time of the same persecution, confirmed his fidelity to the Lord with his own blood.

August 4th

This Day, the Fourth Day of August

Memorial of **Saint John Mary Vianney, priest**, who for more than forty years ministered in a wondrous manner to the parish entrusted to him in the village of Ars near Belley in France by his active preaching, prayer, and example of penance. Daily catechizing children and adults, reconciling penitents, and shining with a burning charity drawn as from a fountain from the Holy Eucharist, he advanced so greatly that he spread his counsel far and wide and wisely led very many to God.

2. **Commemoration of Saint Aristarchus of Thessalonica**, who was a disciple of Saint Paul the Apostle, a faithful companion on his journeys, and finally a fellow prisoner at Rome.

3. At Rome on the Via Tiburtina, **the holy martyrs Justin and Crescentius**.
4. At Tarsus in Bithynia, **Saint Eleutherius, martyr**.
5. In Persia, **Saint Ira, martyr**, under King Shapur II.
6. At Tours in Neustria, **the commemoration of Saint Euphronius, bishop**, who was present at several councils, restored many churches in the city, founded parishes in the countryside, and diligently promoted the veneration of the Holy Cross.
7. In the forests of Panaria near Catanzaro in Calabria, **Saint Onuphrius, hermit**, distinguished by fasting and the austerity of his life.
8. At Split in Dalmatia, **Saint Raynerius, bishop and martyr**, who, formerly a monk, suffered many things for the defense of the rights of the Church first in the See of Cagli, and then, having been stoned in the See of Split, died.
9. At Bologna in Emilia, **blessed Cecilia, virgin**, who received the habit of a nun from Saint Dominic and was the most faithful witness of his countenance and spirit.
10. At London in England, **blessed William Horne, martyr**, who, a monk of the Charterhouse of that city, never swerving from regular observance, suffered long imprisonment under King Henry VIII and at last, subjected to the torments of the gallows at Tyburn, passed to the right hand of Christ.
11. At Mariannahill in the province of Quebec in Canada, **blessed Frédéric Janssoone, priest** of the Order of Friars Minor, who greatly promoted pilgrimages to the Holy Land for the advancement of the faith.

12. At Madrid in Spain, **blessed Gonzalo Gonzalo, religious** of the Order of Saint John of God **and martyr**, who, during a fierce persecution of the faith, confirmed his confession of Christ with his own blood.

13. At Barcelona likewise in Spain, **the blessed martyrs Joseph Batalla Parramón, priest, Joseph Rabasa Bentanachs, and Giles Gil Rodicio, religious** of the Salesian Society, who, through the struggle of faith, in the same persecution attained eternal life.

14. In the internment camp of Dachau near Munich in Bavaria, Germany, **blessed Henry Krzysztofik, priest and martyr**, who, during wartime deported from Poland to a foreign prison for his Christian confession, completed his martyrdom through sufferings.

August 5th

This Day, the Fifth Day of August

Dedication of the **Basilica of Saint Mary**, built in Rome on the Esquiline Hill, which Pope Sixtus III offered to the people of God in memory of the Council of Ephesus, in which Mary the Virgin was hailed as the Mother of God.

2. At Châlons in Belgic France, Saint Memmius, who is venerated as the first bishop of that city.

3. At Teano in Campania, **Saint Paris, bishop**, who is believed to have held that see first.
4. At Lyon in France, **Saint Cassian, bishop**.
5. At Nazianzus in Cappadocia, **Saint Nonna**, who was the wife of Saint Gregory the Elder, bishop, and the mother of Saints Gregory the Theologian, Caesarius, and Gorgonia.
6. At Ascoli in Picenum of Italy, **Saint Emygdus**, who is venerated as the first **bishop** of that city and as a **martyr**.
7. At Viviers on the Rhône in France, **Saint Venantius, bishop**.
8. At Trémouille in the region of Saintes in France, **Saint Viator, hermit**.
9. At a place called *Maserfield*, later named Oswestry after him, in the territory of Shropshire in England, **Saint Oswald, martyr**, who, renowned in the art of war as **king** of Northumbria, but more so as a friend of peace, zealously spread the Christian faith in the region, and was slain in battle against pagans out of hatred for Christ.
10. On Mount Granaro in Picenum of Italy, **blessed Francis Zanafredini, commonly known as Cecchi of Pesaro**, of the Third Order of Saint Francis, who, after distributing all his goods to the poor, lived for nearly fifty years in the hermitage he had rebuilt as a model of penance, prayer, and good works.

11. Near Septempeda, likewise in Picenum, **Saint Margaret, widow.**

12. In the strait of the sea before Rochefort on the coast of France, **blessed Peter Michael Noël, priest** of Rouen **and martyr**, who, during the French upheaval, was held in inhumane captivity on a prison ship because of his priesthood and was consumed by a severe contagion.

August 6th

This Day, the Sixth Day of August

Feast of the **Transfiguration of the Lord**, on which Christ Jesus, the Only-Begotten beloved of the eternal Father, in the presence of the holy Apostles Peter, James, and John, manifested his glory, with the Law and the Prophets bearing witness, in order to signify that the glorious restoration of our nature, through grace, was to be joined to him in the humility of our servile form, and that the image of God, in which man was created. though corrupted in Adam, was to be proclaimed as restored in Christ to the ends of the earth.

2. At Rome on the Appian Way in the cemetery of Callistus, **the passion of Saint Sixtus II, pope, and his companions**, whose memorial is celebrated tomorrow.

3. At Alcalá in Carthaginian Spain, **the holy brothers Justus and Pastor, martyrs**, who, while still boys, of their own accord ran to martyrdom, leaving behind their school tablets, and soon, having been ordered by the governor to be

apprehended and beaten with rods, both, as they encouraged each other with mutual exhortations, were beheaded by the executioner for Christ.

4. At Rome, near Saint Peter's, **the burial of Saint Hormisdas, pope**, who, as a standard-bearer of peace, brought it about that the Acacian schism was resolved in the East and that in the West the rights of the Church were reverently preserved by the new peoples.

5. At Savona in Liguria, **blessed Octavian, bishop** and brother of Pope Callistus II, who took care to serve God and his brethren both in the cloister and from the episcopal chair.

6. In the territory of Luxembourg, **blessed Schecelinus, hermit**, who lived in the forest without shelter or clothing, trusting in God, who gives snow like wool.

7. At Bologna in Emilia, **the nativity of Saint Dominic, priest**, whose memorial is celebrated two days later.

8. At Montevideo in Uruguay, **blessed Mary Frances of Jesus (Anne Mary) Rubatto, virgin**, who founded *the Institute of the Capuchin Tertiary Sisters* in the city of Loano near Savona in Italy, and, having gone to Latin America, devoted all her care to serving the poor.

9. Near the city of Gandia in the region of Valencia in Spain, **blessed Charles López Vidal, martyr**, who, in a time of persecution against the faith, attained heavenly glory.

10. Near Munich in Bavaria in Germany, **blessed Thaddeus Dulny, martyr**, who, during the military occupation of Poland, was sent to the Dachau concentration

camp because of his faith in Christ and, having endured cruel torments, passed to heavenly glory.

August 7th

This Day, the Seventh Day of August

Saints **Pope Sixtus II and his companions, martyrs.** Pope Sixtus, while performing the sacred rites and teaching the brethren the heavenly precepts, was suddenly apprehended by soldiers, who arrived under the edict of the emperor Valerian, and he was beheaded on the sixth day of August. Together with him, four deacons suffered martyrdom and were laid to rest in Rome with the Pontiff in the cemetery of Callistus on the Appian Way. On the same day, the saints Agapitus and Felicissimus, his own deacons, were struck down in the cemetery of Praetextatus, where they were also buried.

Saint **Cajetan of Thiene, priest,** who devoutly dedicated his charitable labors in Naples of Campania, especially to those afflicted with incurable diseases. He promoted lay confraternities for religious formation and *established the Clerks Regular* for the reform of the Church, passing on to his disciples the ancient apostolic manner of life to be observed.

3. At Augsburg in Rhaetia, **Saint Afra, martyr**, who, having been converted to Christ from a sinful life and not yet baptized, is said to have been consigned to the flames for confessing Christ.
4. At Arezzo in Etruria, **Saint Donatus**, the second **bishop** of that see, whose prayer's power and efficacy are praised by Saint Gregory the Great, Pope.
5. At Châlons in Belgic France, **Saint Donatian, bishop**.
6. At Rouen likewise in France, **Saint Victricius, bishop**, who, while still a soldier under the emperor Julian, cast off his belt for Christ and was subjected to many tortures by his tribune and condemned to death; then, having escaped, he was made bishop and brought the indomitable Morini and Nervii peoples also to the faith of Christ.
7. At Besançon in Burgundy, **Saint Donatus, bishop**, who, drawing from the teachings of Saints Benedict, Columban, and Caesarius, composed a Rule for virgins.
8. At Venice, **blessed Jordan Forzatè, abbot**, who was the founder of monasteries at Padua and, when he could not by any means avert the ruin of his homeland, lived in religious exile and fell asleep in the Lord, outstanding for his integrity, uprightness of life, and learning.
9. At Messina in Sicily, **Saint Albert of the Abbeys, priest** of the Carmelite Order, who by his preaching converted many Jews to Christ and provided supplies to a besieged city.

10. At Sassoferrato in Picenum of Italy, **blessed Albert, monk** of the Camaldolese Order, notable for his austerity and highest observance of the Rule.

11. At Aquila in the Vestini region, **blessed Vincent, a religious** of the Order of Friars Minor, eminent for humility and the spirit of prophecy.

12. In the city of *Gondar* in Ethiopia, **the blessed Agathangelus of Vendôme (Francis) Nourry and Cassian of Nantes (Gonçalo) Vaz Lopez-Netto, priests** of the Order of Friars Minor Capuchin **and martyrs**, who, striving to reconcile Christians separated from the Catholic Church in Syria, Egypt, and Ethiopia, were, by order of the king of Ethiopia, hanged by their own cords from trees and stoned.

13. At Lancaster in England, **the blessed martyrs Martin of Saint Felix (John) Woodcock** of the Order of Friars Minor, **Edward Bamber, and Thomas Whitaker, priests**, who, because they had entered the dominions of King Charles the First as priests, suffered the punishment of hanging.

14. At York likewise in England, **blessed Nicholas Postgate, priest and martyr**, who, under King Charles the Second, because he had been secretly serving among the poor for about fifty years as a priest, was hanged.

15. In the town of *Górka Duchowna* near Poznań in Poland, **blessed Edmund Bojanowski**, who, with all care, worked to educate the poor and rural people according to the precepts of the Gospel, and founded *the Congregation of the Servants of the Immaculate Conception of the Mother of God*.

16. At Colima in Mexico, **Saint Michael de la Mora, priest and martyr**, who, during the raging persecution against the Church, was crowned with martyrdom because he was a priest.

August 8th

This Day, the Eighth Day of August

Memorial of **Saint Dominic, priest**, who, a canon of Osma, was a humble servant of preaching in the regions troubled by the Albigensian heresy. He lived in the voluntary poverty of abjection, always speaking with God or about God. Desiring a new method of spreading the faith, he founded the Order of Preachers, that the apostolic form of life might be renewed in the Church, charging his brothers to serve others by prayer, study, and the ministry of the word. His death occurred at Bologna on the sixth day of August.

2. On the Appian Way, fifteen miles from the city of Rome, **the holy martyrs Secundus, Carpophorus, Victorinus, and Severianus**.

3. At Rome on the Ostian Way, at the seventh milestone, **the holy martyrs Cyriacus, Largus, Crescentianus, Memmia, Juliana, and Smaragdus**.

4. At Tarsus in Cilicia, **the passion of Saint Marinus, an old man** from Anazarbus, who was beheaded under the emperor Diocletian and the governor Lysias, and whose body, by order of the prefect, was thrown to be devoured by wild beasts.

5. At Milan in Liguria, **Saint Eusebius, bishop**, who labored for the orthodox faith and restored the cathedral church destroyed by the Huns.

6. At Vienne in France of Lyon, **Saint Severus, priest**.
7. At Bordeaux in Aquitaine, **Saint Mummolus, abbot** of Fleury.
8. At Cyzicus in the Hellespont, **Saint Emilian, bishop**, who suffered many things under the emperor Leo for the veneration of sacred images, and finally died in exile.
9. In the monastery of Göttweig in Austria, **Saint Altmann, bishop** of Passau, who founded many houses for clerics under the Rule of Saint Augustine, restored discipline among the clergy, and, for defending the liberty of the Church, was expelled from his see by the emperor Henry IV and died in exile there.
10. At Gallese near Viterbo in Tuscany, **Saint Famian, hermit**, who, born at Cologne of Agrippina, distributed his wealth to the poor, and, after holy pilgrimages, died in this place in the Cistercian habit.
11. At London in England, **blessed John Felton, martyr**, who publicly posted the sentence of excommunication issued by Pope Saint Pius V against Queen Elizabeth I, and therefore was cruelly dismembered at Saint Paul's, gloriously completing his martyrdom while invoking the name of the Savior.
12. Likewise at York in England, **blessed John Fingley, priest and martyr**, condemned to death under the same queen for the priesthood and hanged. **Along with him is also commemorated blessed Robert Bickendike, martyr**, who, at the same time but on an uncertain day and year, suffered the same torments because he had reconciled himself with the Catholic Church.
13. In the village of *Xixiaodun* near *Xinhexian* in *Hebei* province of China, **Saint Paul Ke Tingzhu, martyr**, who, a leader of the Christian village, was torn apart

limb by limb in the persecution by the adherents of the “*Yihetuan*” movement, and stood out as an example of constancy to the others.

14. At Zamora in Spain, **blessed Bonifacia Rodríguez Castro, virgin**, who, concerned for the Christian and social advancement of women through prayer and labor, founded *the Congregation of the Servants of Saint Joseph*, inspired by the example of the Most Holy Family of Nazareth.

15. At Sydney in Australia, **blessed Mary of the Cross (Mary Helen) MacKillop, virgin**, who founded *the Congregation of the Sisters of Saint Joseph of the Sacred Heart*, and governed it amid many hardships and injuries.

16. At Poggio a Caiano in Etruria, **blessed Mary Margaret (Mary Anne Rose) Caiani, virgin**, who founded *the Institute of Franciscan Sisters Minim of the Sacred Heart*, for the education of youth and the help of the sick.

17. In the place called *El Saler* near Valencia in Spain, **blessed Anthony Silvestre Moya, priest and martyr**, who, during the persecution against the faith, for his constant witness to Christ, triumphantly reached the heavenly kingdom.

18. At Valencia likewise in Spain, **blessed Mary of the Child Jesus Baldillou y Bullit and companions** ², **two virgin martyrs** of the Institute of the Daughters of Mary of the Pious Schools, who, in the same persecution, gloriously went to meet Christ the Bridegroom by the violence of the enemies of the Church.

19. At the place called *Gusen* in Germany, **blessed Vladimir Laskowski, priest and martyr**, who, during wartime, was thrown into a detention camp because of his faith, and, terribly tortured, attained the glory of martyrdom.

August 9th

This Day, the Ninth Day of August

Saint Teresa Benedicta of the Cross (Edith Stein), virgin of the Order of Discalced Carmelites and martyr, who, born and raised in the Jewish religion, after having taught philosophy for several years amid great tribulations, embraced a new life in Christ through baptism, and, pursuing the path of holiness under the veil, was driven into captivity and exile under a wicked regime hostile to the dignity of mankind and of the faith. In the extermination camp of *Oswiecim*, or *Auschwitz*, near Krakow in Poland, she was killed by poison gas.

2. At Rome, in the cemetery of Saint Lawrence on the Via Tiburtina, **Saint Romanus, martyr.**
3. In the monastery of Aghagower in Ireland, **Saint Nathí, bishop and abbot.**
4. Likewise at Kilmore in Ireland, **Saint Fedlimin, bishop.**
5. At Constantinople, **the commemoration of holy martyrs** who, when they defended the ancient image of the Savior that had been placed on the Bronze Gate and was ordered to be torn down by the emperor Leo the Isaurian, were said to have been killed.

6. At Palena in Calabria, **blessed Falco, hermit**.

7. At Florence in Etruria, **blessed John of Salerno, priest** of the Order of Preachers, who founded the convent of Santa Maria Novella and acted fearlessly against the Patarene heretics.

8. On Mount La Verna also in Etruria, **blessed John of Fermo, priest** of the Order of Friars Minor, who lived in solitude, taming his body by remarkable abstinence and penance.

9. At London in England, **blessed Richard Bere, priest and martyr**, who, by order of King Henry VIII, because of his fidelity to the Roman Pontiff and his defense of Christian marriage, with his Carthusian brothers, worn down by the filth of prison and hunger, died.

10. On a filthy prison ship anchored off the coast near Rochefort in France, **blessed Claude Richard, priest** of the Order of Saint Benedict **and martyr**, who, during the French turmoil, having been expelled from the monastery of Mèze because of his priesthood and thrown onto the slave ship, died himself after contracting disease while tending to sick fellow captives.

11. At Salamanca in Spain, **blessed Cándida María of Jesus (Juana Josefa) Cipitria, virgin**, who founded *the Congregation of the Daughters of Jesus* to offer assistance in the Christian formation of children.

12. Also at Barbastro in Spain, **blessed Florentino Asensio Barroso, bishop and martyr**, who, amid a raging persecution against the Church, testified with his own blood to the faith he had never ceased to preach to the people entrusted to him, being pierced with bullets by the militia.

13. Likewise at Barcelona in Spain, **the blessed martyrs Rubén of Jesus López Aguilar and six companions** ³, **religious** of the Order of Saint John of God, who, in the same persecution, were killed out of hatred for the religious life and passed over to the Lord.

14. In the town of *Azanuy* in the region of Huesca, also in Spain, **the blessed martyrs Faustino Oteiza, priest, and Florentino Felipe, religious** of the Order of Clerics Regular of the Pious Schools, who in the same persecution fell for Christ.

15. In the place *Argès* near Toledo, also in Spain, **blessed Guillermo Plaza Hernández, priest** of the Society of Diocesan Laborer Priests **and martyr**, who on the same day in the same struggle gave up his spirit.

16. In the town of *Carcaixent* in the region of Valencia, also in Spain, **blessed Germán (José María) Garrigues Hernández, priest** of the Order of Friars Minor Capuchin **and martyr**, who, while the persecution against the faith raged, overcame bodily torment by a precious death.

August 10th

This Day, the Tenth Day of August

Feast of Saint Lawrence, **deacon and martyr**, who, desiring even to share in the martyrdom of Pope Sixtus, as Saint Leo the Great reports, when ordered to hand over the treasures of the Church,

mocked the tyrant by presenting the poor, upon whose sustenance and clothing he had expended the Church's resources. After three days, for the sake of Christ's faith, he overcame the flames, and even the instruments of his torment became trophies of his triumph. His body was buried at Rome in the cemetery on the Verano estate, which was later named after him.

2. The commemoration of holy martyrs, who, at Alexandria in Egypt, during the persecution of the emperor Valerian, under the prefect Aemilianus, were long afflicted with various cruel and refined tortures and obtained the crown of martyrdom by different forms of death.

3. At Dunblane in Scotland, Saint Blane, bishop.

4. At Alcamo in Sicily, blessed Archangel of Calataphim near Piacenza, **priest** of the Order of Friars Minor, notable for the austerity of his life and devotion to solitude.

5. In the city of Iki in Japan, blessed Augustine Ota, religious of the Society of Jesus and martyr, who was beheaded for Christ.

6. In the sea strait off the coast of Rochefort in France, the blessed martyrs Claude Joseph Jouffret de Bonnefont of the Society of Saint Sulpice, **Francis François** of the Order of Friars Minor Capuchin, and **Lazarus Tiersot** of the Carthusian Order, **priests**, who, during the turmoil of the French Revolution, were confined to a filthy prison ship and fulfilled their martyrdom because of their priesthood.

7. In the place called *El Saler* near Valencia in Spain, **blessed Joseph Toledo Pellicer, priest and martyr**, who, conformed to Christ the High Priest whom he venerated, imitated Him by the triumph of martyrdom.

8. At Valencia also in Spain, **blessed John Martorell Soria, priest** of the Salesian Society **and martyr**, who suffered martyrdom in the same persecution. **Along with him is commemorated the blessed martyr Peter Mesonero Rodríguez, religious** of the same Society, who was crowned for his witness to Christ on an unknown day in the village of *Vedat de Torrent* in the region of Valencia.

9. In the Dachau concentration camp near Munich in Bavaria, Germany, **the blessed martyrs Francis Drzewiecki** of the Congregation of the Little Work of Divine Providence **and Edward Grzymala, priests** of Polish origin, who, with their homeland ravaged by war, were cast by persecutors into foreign captivity and, by the torment of death in deadly gas, passed to Christ.

August 11th

This Day, the Eleventh Day of August

Memorial of **Saint Clare, virgin**, who, as the first plant of the *Poor Ladies of the Order of Minors*, followed Saint Francis, living at Assisi in Umbria a harsh life, but one rich in works of charity and piety; indeed, she was an outstanding lover of poverty, from which she was never allowed to be separated, not even in extreme need and illness.

2. At Comana in Pontus, **Saint Alexander, surnamed the Charcoal-Maker, bishop**, who, having attained from philosophy a lofty knowledge of Christian humility, and having been raised by Saint Gregory Thaumaturgus to the seat of that Church, became illustrious not only by preaching but also by a **martyrdom** completed in fire.

3. At Rome, in the cemetery “ad duas lauros” on the Labican Way at the third milestone, **Saint Tiburtius, martyr**, whose praises Pope Saint Damasus celebrated.

4. In the same place, **the commemoration of Saint Susanna**, under whose name, celebrated among the martyrs in the ancient feasts, a basilica of the Title of Gaius near the Baths of Diocletian was dedicated to God in the sixth century.

5. At Assisi in Umbria, **Saint Rufinus**, who is considered the first **bishop and martyr** of that city.

6. At Benevento in Campania, **Saint Cassian, bishop**.

7. At Évreux in France, **Saint Taurinus**, who is venerated as the first **bishop** of that city.

8. In Ireland, **Saint Attracta, abbess**, who is said to have received the veil of virgins from Saint Patrick.

9. In the province of Valeria, **Saint Equitius, abbot**, who, as Pope Saint Gregory the Great writes, became, by the grace of his holiness, the father of many monasteries and, wherever he went, opened the fountain of the Sacred Scriptures.

10. At Cambrai in Austrasia, **Saint Gaugericus, bishop**, renowned for piety and charity toward the poor, who was ordained a deacon by Magneric of Trier and, being elected to the See of Cambrai, exercised the episcopate for thirty-nine years.

11. At Arles in Provence, **Saint Rusticula, abbess**, who governed the nuns in holiness for nearly sixty years.

12. At Gloucester in England, **the blessed martyrs John Sandys and Stephen Rowsham, priests, and William Lampley, layman**, who, under Queen Elizabeth I, on different, unrecorded days, endured the same sufferings for Christ.

13. At anchorage outside the port of Rochefort in France, **blessed John George (James) Rhem, priest** of the Order of Preachers **and martyr**, who, during the persecution, cast into squalid captivity, inspired his fellow prisoners, cruelly afflicted, with hope, until he himself succumbed to an incurable disease for Christ.

14. In the village of Agullent in the region of Valencia, Spain, **blessed Raphael Alonso Gutiérrez, martyr**, who, **a family man**, during the persecution against the faith, poured out his blood for Christ. **With him is also commemorated blessed martyr Charles Díaz Gandía**, who on this day in the same region received eternal life through the contest of faith.

15. In the village of Prat de Compte near Tarragona, likewise in Spain, **blessed Michael Domingo Cendra, religious** of the Salesian Society **and martyr**, who in the same persecution merited to obtain the glorious palm of martyrdom.

16. At the borders of Tibet, **blessed Maurice Tornay, priest and martyr**, who, a regular canon of the Congregation of Saints Nicholas and Bernard of Mont-Joux,

zealously preached the Gospel in China and Tibet, and was killed by enemies of the Christian name.

January 12th

This Day, the Twelfth Day of August

Saint Joan Frances de Chantal, religious, who, from a Christian marriage, had six children, whom she devoutly raised; afterward, when her husband died, under the guidance of Saint Francis de Sales, she cheerfully pursued the path of perfection and performed works of charity, especially toward the poor and the sick. She founded *the Order of the Visitation of Holy Mary* and wisely directed it. Her passing occurred at Moulins, on the bank of the Allier, near Nevers in France, on the thirteenth day of December.

2. At Catania in Sicily, **Saint Euplius, martyr**, who, in the persecution of the Emperor Diocletian, is said to have been cast into prison by the governor Calvisianus while holding in his hand the books of the Gospels; and when interrogated again, replied that he held the Gospels in his heart, and was beaten to death with clubs.

3. At Nicomedia, **the holy martyrs Anicetus and Photius**.

4. At Killala in Ireland, **Saint Muredach, bishop**.

5. Likewise in Ireland, in the cell called by her name, **Saint Lelia, virgin.**
6. At Brescia in Lombardy, **Saint Herculanus, bishop.**
7. On the island of Lérins in Provence, **the holy martyrs Porcarius, abbot, and many monks**, who are said to have been slain by the Saracens.
8. At Ruthin in northern Wales, **blessed Charles Meehan, priest** of the Order of Friars Minor **and martyr**, who, of Irish origin, while traveling through that region on his return to his homeland, was arrested and sentenced to death because he had sought the dominions of King Charles II, and obtained the palm of martyrdom by rope and iron.
9. At Rome, **blessed Innocent XI, pope**, who wisely governed the Church, though afflicted by bitter sufferings and troubles.
10. On a prison ship anchored before Rochefort in France, **blessed Peter Jarrige de la Morelie de Puyredon, priest**, who, during the persecution raging against the Church, exposed for a long time to the harsh force of the sun, died for Christ.
11. In the city of *Nam Dinh* in Tonkin, **the holy martyrs James Đỗ Mai Năm, priest, Anthony Nguyễn Dích, farmer, and Michael Nguyễn Huy Mỹ, physician**, who for Christ, under Emperor Minh Mạng, were beheaded after severe torments.
12. In the town of *Hornachuelos* near Córdoba in Spain, **blessed Victoria Díez y Bustos de Molina, virgin and martyr**, who fulfilled the office of teacher in the Teresian Institute and, when an assault was made against the Church, professing

the Christian faith and encouraging others to martyrdom, herself merited to suffer martyrdom.

13. In the valley of Mauri near Madrid, also in Spain, **blessed Flavius (Atilanus) Argüeso González, religious** of the Order of Saint John of God **and martyr**, who in the same persecution died in hatred of the faith.

14. At Barbastro near Huesca in Aragon, Spain, **the blessed martyrs Sebastian Calvo Martínez, priest, and five companions,**⁴ **religious** of the Congregation of the Missionary Sons of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, who in the same persecution completed a glorious struggle.

15. At Tarragona, likewise in Spain, **blessed Anthony Perulles Estivill, priest** of the Society of Diocesan Laborer Priests **and martyr**, who in the time of the same persecution completed the struggle on the road.

16. At Dachau near Munich in Bavaria, Germany, **the blessed martyrs Florian Stepniak**, of the Order of Friars Minor Capuchin, **and Joseph Straszewski, priests**, who, at the time of the invasion of Poland during the war, were detained in camps and died from poison gas.

17. In the place called Planegg near Munich in Bavaria, Germany, **blessed Karl Leisner, priest and martyr**, who, still a deacon, was arrested because of his public profession of faith and constant ministry to souls; ordained a priest in the concentration camp at Dachau, though later released, died from the afflictions endured in captivity.

August 13th

This Day, the Thirteenth Day of August

Holy martyrs **Pontian, pope, and Hippolytus, priest**, who were together deported to Sardinia, and there both, condemned alike and, as it seems, crowned with one and the same laurel wreath, were finally transferred to the City: he [Hippolytus] to the cemetery on the Tiburtine Way, and [Pontian] to the cemetery of Callistus.

2. At Forum Cornelii in Flaminia, **Saint Cassian, martyr**, who, because he refused to adore idols, was handed over to the boys whom he had formerly taught as a schoolmaster, to be tortured to death with styluses, so that the weaker the hand, the more severe the punishment of martyrdom might be.

3. At Lyon in France, **Saint Antiochus, bishop**, who, while still a priest, traveled all the way to visit Saint Justus, his bishop, then living in the desert of Egypt.

4. At Poitiers in Aquitaine, **Saint Radegund**, who, **queen of the Franks**, while her husband King Clotaire was still living, received the sacred veil and lived under the Rule of Saint Caesarius of Arles in the Monastery of the Holy Cross at Poitiers, which she herself had built.

5. At the castle of Schemar on the banks of the River Hippus in the Caucasus Mountains, **the passing of Saint Maximus the Confessor, abbot** of Chrysopolis near Constantinople, renowned for his doctrine and zeal for Catholic truth, who, as he fought strenuously against the Monothelites, was, by the heretical emperor Constans, deprived of his right hand and, with two disciples named Anastasius,

after harsh imprisonment and many cruelties, was exiled to the region of Lazica, where he gave his spirit to God.

6. At Fritzlar in Hesse, Austrasia, **Saint Wigbert, priest and abbot**, to whom Saint Boniface entrusted the care of the monastery of that place.

7. At the monastery of Aldenberg in the region of Oldenburg in Germany, **blessed Gertrude, abbess** of the Order of Premonstratensians, who, while still a little girl, was offered to God in that place by her mother, Saint Elizabeth, queen of Hungary.

8. At Maculick in Ireland, **the blessed martyrs Patrick O’Healy, bishop of Mayo, and Connor O’Rourke, priest**, both of the Order of Friars Minor, who were condemned to death and executed on the gallows because they had openly revealed their priesthood.

9. At Warwick in England, **blessed William Freeman, priest and martyr**, who, under Queen Elizabeth I, was condemned to death solely because he was a priest; he began to sing the hymn *Te Deum* as he mounted the gallows and went to martyrdom with a steadfast spirit.

10. At Rome, **Saint John Berchmans, religious** of the Society of Jesus, most beloved by all for his sincere piety, unfeigned charity, and continual cheerfulness, who, after a brief illness, joyfully passed to his final day.

11. At Vienna in Austria, **blessed Mark of Aviano (Carlo Domenico Cristofori), priest** of the Order of Friars Minor Capuchin, a wise preacher of the word of God, who labored everywhere with great dedication for the poor and the sick, especially stirring the minds of the powerful of the world so that they might prefer faith and peace above all business and advantage.

12. In the sea channel stretching before Rochefort in France, **blessed Peter Gabilhaud, priest and martyr**, who, during the storms of the French upheaval, was detained on a prison ship because of his priesthood, and died from starvation and illness.

13. In the town of Saugues near Le Puy, also in France, **Saint Benildus (Peter) Romançon**, of the Institute of the Brothers of the Christian Schools, who spent his life in the education of youth.

14. At Barbastro near Huesca in Aragon, Spain, **the blessed martyrs Secundinus Maria Ortega García, priest, and nineteen companions,**⁵ **religious** of the Congregation of the Missionary Sons of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, who, during the persecution raging against the Church, were killed out of hatred for the religious life.

15. In the town of *Almazora* near Castellón on the coast of Spain, **blessed John Agramunt, priest** of the Order of Clerics Regular of the Pious Schools **and martyr** in the same persecution.

16. Near the village of Albocàsser in the district of Castellón in Spain, **blessed Modest Garcia Martí, priest** of the Order of Friars Minor Capuchin **and martyr**, who, in the persecution against the faith, fulfilled his evangelical mission through martyrdom.

17. At Barcelona also in Spain, **blessed Joseph Bonet Nadal, priest** of the Salesian Society **and martyr**, who, in the same time of persecution, completed the contest for the faith.

18. At Berlin in the place called *Plötzensee* in Germany, **blessed Jacob Gapp, priest** of the Society of Mary **and martyr**, who proclaimed with firm spirit that the wicked doctrines of the military regime, hostile to human and Christian dignity, were in no way compatible with Christian teaching. For this reason, subjected to persecution, he went into exile in Gibraltar and Spain, but, captured by agents, was eventually executed by beheading.

August 14th

This Day, the Fourteenth Day of August

Memorial of **Saint Maximilian Mary (Raymund) Kolbe, priest** of the Order of Friars Minor Conventual **and martyr**, who, founder of *the Militia of the Immaculate Virgin Mary*, having been deported to various places of captivity, at last in the extermination camp of *Oswiecim*, or *Auschwitz*, near Kraków in Poland, offered himself to the executioners in place of a fellow prisoner, making his ministry an oblation of charity and a witness of fidelity to God and to mankind.

2. In Illyricum, **Saint Ursicinus, martyr.**

3. At Apamea in Syria, **Saint Marcellus, bishop and martyr**, who, after he had destroyed the temple of Jupiter, was killed by enraged pagans.

4. At Rome, **Saint Eusebius**, founder of his titular church on the Esquiline Hill.

5. At Ross in Ireland, **Saint Fachtna, bishop and abbot**, who established a monastery there, renowned for schools of both sacred and secular learning.

6. At Aldenburg in Flanders, **the passing of Saint Arnulf, bishop** of Soissons, who, from being a soldier, became a monk, then a bishop, strove for peace and harmony, and died in the monastery he had founded.

7. Near Mount Barocchio in Piceno, Italy, **blessed Sanctes of Urbino Brancorsini, lay brother** of the Order of Friars Minor.

8. At Otranto in Apulia, **nearly eight hundred blessed martyrs**, who, when commanded by Ottoman soldiers who had invaded to renounce the faith, were encouraged by **blessed Antonio Primaldo**, an elderly craftsman in the art of weaving, to persevere in the faith of Christ, and received the crown of martyrdom by beheading.

9. At Nagasaki in Japan, **the holy martyrs Dominic Ibáñez de Erquicia, priest** of the Order of Preachers, **and Francis Shoyemon, novice and catechist** in the same Order, who were killed under the supreme ruler Tokugawa Iemitsu out of hatred for the name of Christ.

10. At Coriano in Emilia, **blessed Elisabetta Renzi, virgin**, who, as foundress of *the Pious Teachers of the Sorrowful Virgin*, devoted her whole heart to ensuring that poor girls in the schools would be imbued with both human and catechetical instruction.

11. In the village of *Picassent* in the region of Valencia in Spain, **blessed Vincent Rubiols Castelló, priest and martyr**, who bore witness to the faith of Christ by his martyrdom in a time of persecution.

12. At a place called *El Saler*, near Valencia likewise in Spain, **blessed Félix Yuste Cava, priest and martyr**, to whom the Lord granted an eternal reward for his fearless fidelity.

August 15th

This Day, the Fifteenth Day of August

Solemnity of the Assumption of the blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God and of our Lord Jesus Christ, who, when the course of her earthly life was completed, was assumed body and soul into heavenly glory. This faith, received from the tradition of the Church, Pope Pius XII solemnly defined.

2. At Rome, in the cemetery of Callistus on the Appian Way, **the commemoration of Saint Tarcisius, martyr**, who, defending the Most Holy Eucharist of Christ, which a mad mob of pagans tried to profane, preferred to be struck to death with stones rather than hand over the sacred mysteries to dogs.

3. At Nicomedia in Bithynia, **the holy martyrs Straton, Philip, and Eutychius**.

4. At Milan in Liguria, **Saint Simplician, bishop**, whom Saint Ambrose designated as his successor and whom Saint Augustine praised with honors.

5. Commemoration of **Saint Alypius, bishop** of Thagaste in Numidia, who, once a disciple of Saint Augustine and afterward his companion in conversion, was his colleague in pastoral office and a vigorous fellow soldier in battles against heretics, and finally his companion in heavenly glory.
6. At Hildesheim in the Saxony region of Germany, **Saint Altfrid, bishop**, who built the cathedral church and promoted the founding of monasteries.
7. Near Royal Alba in Pannonia, **the birth into heaven of Saint Stephen, king of the Hungarians**, whose memory is celebrated on the day following this one.
8. At Krakow in Poland, **Saint Hyacinth, priest** of the Order of Preachers, who was appointed by Saint Dominic to spread the Order in that nation and, with blessed Ceslaus and the German Henry as companions, preached the Gospel in Bohemia and Silesia.
9. At Savigliano in the Subalpine region, **blessed Aimone Taparelli, priest** of the Order of Preachers, an untiring defender of truth.
10. At Pallanza near Novara in Italy, **blessed Juliana of Busto Arsizio, virgin** of the Order of Saint Augustine, notable for unconquered courage of soul, marvelous patience, and constant contemplation of heavenly things.
11. At Rome, **Saint Stanislaus Kostka**, who, Polish by birth, desiring to enter the Society of Jesus, fled his father's house and journeyed on foot to Rome, where, admitted into the novitiate by Saint Francis Borgia, he died young, consumed in the performance of the most humble duties, and renowned in holiness.

12. In the town of *Wenga* near *Busira* in the Belgian Congo, **blessed Isidore Bakanja, martyr**, who, having been initiated into the Christian life while young, diligently practiced the faith and bore witness to it so fearlessly while working that, out of hatred for the Christian religion, he was cruelly scourged for a long period by the supervisor of the colony, and a few months later, having forgiven his persecutor, gave up his spirit.

13. In the place of *Chalchihuites* in the territory of Durango in Mexico, **the holy martyrs Aloysius Batis Sáinz, priest; Emmanuel Morales, a father of a family; Salvador Lara Puente; and David Roldán Lara**, who were killed in the Mexican persecution out of hatred for the name of Christ.

14. At Barbastro near Huesca in Aragon, Spain, **the blessed martyrs Ludovico Masferrer Vilá, priest, and nineteen companions,⁶ religious** of the Congregation of Missionary Sons of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, who, during the raging persecution against the Church, gave their lives for Christ and embraced in glory the confreres killed the previous day in the same place.

15. In the village of *Almazora* near Castellón on the coast of Spain, **blessed Joseph Mary Peris Polo, priest** of the Association of Diocesan Labor Priests **and martyr**, who, in the same persecution, gained the palm of martyrdom in the cemetery.

16. Also, at Madrid in Spain, **blessed Mary of the Tabernacle of Saint Aloysius Gonzaga (Elvira) Moragas Cantarero, virgin** of the Order of Discalced Carmelites **and martyr** in the same persecution.

17. Likewise at Madrid in Spain, **blessed Dominic (Augustine) Hurtado Soler, priest** of the Third Order of Saint Francis of the Capuchins of the Sorrowful Virgin and martyr, who was crowned for the testimony of Christ.

18. In the town of *Motril* near Granada on the coast of Spain, **blessed Vincent Soler, priest** of the Order of Augustinian Recollects **and martyr**, who, in the same persecution, was condemned to death along with others prepared for martyrdom by his pious care and was shot through with bullets before the cemetery walls, and triumphed in Christ.

19. In the village of *Palma de Gandía* in the region of Valencia, also in Spain, **blessed Carmel Sastre Sastre, priest and martyr**, who, adhering to the footsteps of Christ in the same persecution, through His grace attained the eternal kingdom.

20. In the town of *Tàrrrega* near Barcelona, also in Spain, **blessed James Bonet Nadal, priest** of the Salesian Society **and martyr**, who, a faithful disciple, merited to be redeemed in the blood of Christ.

21. At Padua in Italy, **blessed Claudio (Riccardo) Granzotto, religious** of the Order of Friars Minor, who combined the exercise of religious profession with the art of sculpture, and in a few years attained perfection in the imitation of Christ.

August 16th

This Day, the Sixteenth Day of August

Saint Stephen, king of the Hungarians, who, regenerated by baptism, having received the crown of the kingdom from Pope Sylvester II, took care to spread the faith of Christ among the

Hungarians and organized the Church in his kingdom and endowed it with churches and monasteries, being Alba Regalis just and peaceful in the governance of his subjects, at in Hungary, on the day of the Assumption, his soul migrated to heaven.

2. Commemoration of **Saint Arsacius**, who, under the emperor Licinius, professed the Christian faith and, leaving the military, led a solitary life at Nicomedia; finally, after predicting the future ruin of the city, he gave his spirit to God in prayer.
3. At Sion in Valais among the Swiss, **Saint Theodore**, first **bishop** of that city, who, following the example of Saint Ambrose, defended the Catholic faith against the Arians and honorably venerated the relics of the martyrs of Agaunum.
4. In Brittany, **Saint Armagilus**, **hermit**.
5. In the countryside of Le Mans in France, **Saint Frambaldus**, **monk**, who lived both a solitary and a cenobitic life.
6. In the forest of Rennes in Brittany, **blessed Ralph of La Fustaye**, **priest**, founder of the monastery of Saint Sulpice.
7. At Subiaco in Latium, **blessed Laurence**, called Loricatus, who, when he had by chance killed a man, resolved to make amends by great austerity and penance, living a solitary life in a mountain cave.
8. In Lombardy, **Saint Roch**, who, born at Montpellier in Languedoc of France, gained a reputation for holiness through pious pilgrimage and by healing plague victims throughout Italy.

9. At Florence in Etruria, **blessed Angelus Augustinus Mazzinghi, priest** of the Order of Carmelites.

10. At Kyoto in Japan, **blessed John Saint Martha, priest** of the Order of Friars Minor **and martyr**, who, while being led to execution, preached to the people and sang the psalm “Praise the Lord, all you nations.”

11. At Kokura also in Japan, **the blessed martyrs Simon Bokusai Kyota, catechist, and Magdalene, his wife, Thomas Gengoro and Mary, likewise spouses, and James, their son, still a child**, who, by decree of the prefect of Yetsundo, were crucified together, head downward, for hatred of the Christian name.

12. On a filthy ship anchored at sea near Rochefort in France, **blessed John Baptist Menestrel, priest and martyr**, who, in the time of the French upheaval, was condemned to naval imprisonment on account of the priesthood and, infected by worm-ridden wounds, completed his martyrdom.

13. In the village of *Fanjiazhuang* near *Wujiao* in the province of *Hebei* in China, **Saint Rose Fan Hui, virgin and martyr**, who, during the persecution of the “Yihetuan” sect, was pierced with wounds and, still breathing, was cast into a river.

14. At Barcelona in Spain, **blessed Petra Saint Joseph (Anne Joseph Perez Florido), virgin**, who diligently cared for abandoned elderly people and founded *the Congregation of the Sisters Mothers of the Abandoned*.

15. At Hemeroscopium in the region of Alicante, also in Spain, **blessed Placidus Garcia Gilabert, religious** of the Order of Friars Minor **and martyr**, who accomplished a glorious struggle for Christ.

16. In the town of *Benicasim* near Castellón, likewise in Spain, **blessed Henry Garcia Beltran, deacon** of the Order of Friars Minor Capuchin **and martyr**, who by martyrdom became a sharer in Christ's victory.

17. In the town of *Picassent* in the province of Valencia, also in Spain, **blessed Gabriel (Joseph Mary) Sanchis Mompó, religious** of the Third Order of Saint Francis of the Capuchin Sisters of the Sorrowful Virgin, **and martyr**, who migrated to the Lord by the violence of the Church's enemies.

August 17th

This Day, the Seventeenth Day of August

1. At Cyzicus in the Hellespont, **Saint Myron, priest and martyr**, who, as is said, under Emperor Decius and the governor Antipater, after many torments, was beheaded.

2. At Caesarea in Cappadocia, **Saint Mamas, or Mametus, martyr**, who, **a most humble shepherd**, lived as a solitary in the forests of the mountains with the greatest frugality and, professing the faith of Christ, under Emperor Aurelian completed his martyrdom.

3. In Sicily, **the heavenly birthday of Saint Eusebius, pope**, who, a valiant witness of Christ, was deported to this island by Emperor Maxentius and, exiled from the land of his birth, merited to attain the heavenly kingdom; his body was transferred to Rome and laid to rest in the cemetery of Callistus.
4. In Frisia, **Saint Jerome, priest and martyr**, who is said to have been killed by pagan Normans.
5. At Thessalonica in Macedonia, **the passing of Saint Elias the Younger, monk** under the rule of the Eastern Fathers, who, though having suffered many things from the Saracens for the faith, yet with an unconquered spirit led a harsh life of prayer and austerity both in Calabria and in Sicily.
6. At Arcaria near Mylas in Sicily, **Saint Nicholas the Hermit, called “Politi,”** who led a most austere life in a cave.
7. At Colle Etrusco near Siena in Etruria, **blessed Albert, priest**, who showed the people an excellent example of virtues.
8. At Montefalco in Umbria, **Saint Clare of the Cross, virgin** of the Order of the Hermits of Saint Augustine, who governed the Monastery of the Holy Cross, burning with love for the Passion of Christ.
9. At Toledo in Castile in Spain, **Saint Beatrice da Silva Meneses, virgin**, who, at first a noblewoman in the royal court accompanying Queen Isabella, afterward desiring to lead a more perfect life, withdrew for many years among the nuns of the Order of Saint Dominic, and finally *founded a new Order under the title of the Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary*.

10. At Nagasaki in Japan, **the holy martyrs James Kyuhei Gorobioye Tomonaga, priest** of the Order of Preachers, **and Michael Kurobioye**, who, for Christ, were condemned to death under the supreme ruler Tokugawa Yemitsu.

11. At Saumur near Angers in France, **Saint Jeanne Delanoue, virgin**, who, relying entirely on divine Providence, first received into her house orphans, elderly women, the sick, and women who were lost, and then with companions laid the foundations of *the Institute of the Sisters of Saint Anne of Providence*.

12. In the strait of the sea near Rochefort in France, **blessed Natalis Hilary Le Conte, martyr**, who, a cleric of the cathedral of Bourges and head of music, during a raging persecution, detained on a ship of forced labor out of hatred for the faith, fell ill and died for Christ.

13. At the town of Castelfullit de la Roca near Gerona in Spain, **blessed Henry Canadell, priest** of the Order of Clerics Regular of the Pious Schools **and martyr**, killed out of hatred for the Church.

August 18th

This Day, the Eighteenth Day of August

1. At Palestrina in Latium, the commemoration of **Saint Agapitus, martyr**.

2. At Utica in Africa, **the holy martyrs Massa Candida**, who, drawn more frequently like fish into the net by the Apostles, remained faithful to their bishop Quadratus, and together, confessing Christ the Son of God, courageously met death.
3. At Myra in Lycia, **Saint Leon, martyr**.
4. At Rome on the Via Labicana, **Saint Helena, mother of Emperor Constantine**, who was especially devoted to aiding the poor and piously joined the crowds in attending churches; having made a pilgrimage to Jerusalem to investigate the places of Christ's Nativity, Passion, and Resurrection, she honored the manger and the Lord's Cross with venerable basilicas.
5. At Metz in Belgic France, **Saint Firmin, bishop**.
6. At Arles in Provence, **Saint Aonius, bishop**, who defended his Church from the error of Pelagius and commended to his people as successor Saint Caesarius, whom he had ordained a priest.
7. In Bithynia, the passing of Saint Macarius, abbot of the monastery of Pelecete, who suffered greatly under Emperor Leo the Fifth in defense of sacred images.
8. In the monastery of Cava in Campania, **blessed Leonard, abbot**, a man of great peace.
9. At Ravenna in Flaminia, **blessed Rainald of Concoreggio, bishop**, distinguished for his zeal, prudence, and charity.

10. At Mantua in Lombardy, **blessed Paula Montaldi, virgin**, abbess of the Order of Poor Clares, remarkable for her devotion to the Lord's Passion, constant prayer, and austerities.

11. On a prison ship anchored at sea near Rochefort in France, **blessed Anthony Banassat, priest and martyr**, who, a parish priest, during the raging French upheaval, detained out of hatred for the faith, died of hunger, and went to the Lord.

12. At Valle Mauri near Madrid in Spain, **blessed Francis Arias Martin, priest and martyr**, who, a novice in the Order of Saint John of God, completed his path of perfection in a short time during a time of persecution.

13. At Barbastro near Huesca in Aragon, Spain, **blessed James Falgarona Vilanova and Athanasius Vidaurreta Labra, religious** of the Congregation of the Missionary Sons of the Immaculate Heart of Mary **and martyrs** in the same persecution.

14. At Alcañiz in the region of Dertosa, Spain, **blessed Martin Martinez Pascual, priest and martyr**, who, enrolled in the Society of Diocesan Worker Priests, received on the same day, in the same persecution, a glorious crown.

15. In the town of Rafelbunyol in the province of Valencia, Spain, **blessed Vincent Maria Izquierdo Alcon, priest and martyr**, killed out of hatred for the faith.

16. At Santiago in Chile, **blessed Alberto Hurtado Cruchaga, priest** of the Society of Jesus, who founded a work to provide a true and homelike shelter for the poor, especially homeless children and wanderers.

August 19th

This Day, the Nineteenth Day of August

Saint John Eudes, priest, who for many years dedicated himself to preaching in parishes, and afterward founded *the Congregation of Jesus and Mary for the formation of priests in seminaries, as well as another for religious women of Our Lady of Charity* to strengthen penitent women in the Christian life. He also greatly promoted devotion to the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary, until, at Caen in Normandy, France, he devoutly fell asleep in the Lord.

2. At Fabrateria Vetus in Latium, **Saint Magnus, martyr.**
3. In the region of Tarragona in Spain, **Saint Maginus, martyr.**
4. At Gaza in Palestine, **Saint Timothy, martyr**, who, in the persecution of Emperor Diocletian, under the governor Urban, after overcoming many tortures, was burned to death over a slow fire.
5. In Cilicia, **Saint Andrew, tribune, and his fellow soldiers**, who, as is told, after divinely obtaining a victory over the Persians, converted to the Christian faith

and, accused under this name, were massacred by the army of the governor Seleucus, in the straits of Mount Taurus, under Emperor Maximian.

6. At Rome on the Via Tiburtina, near Saint Lawrence, **the burial of Saint Sixtus III, pope**, who settled disagreements between the Patriarchates of Antioch and Alexandria, and gave to the people of God in the City the basilica of Saint Mary on the Esquiline Hill.

7. In the district of Sisteron in France, **Saint Donatus, priest**, who is said to have spent many years in the eremitic life.

8. In the monastery of Bobbio in Liguria, **Saint Bertulf, abbot**, successor of Saint Attala in that same monastery.

9. At Nuremberg in Franconia, Germany, **Saint Sebald, hermit**.

10. In Calabria, **Saint Bartholomew of Simero, priest and abbot**, who, after a hermit's life, founded a monastery of Greeks.

11. In the monastery of Igny in France, **blessed Gueric, abbot**, who, a true disciple of Saint Bernard, though unable to give his brethren the example of labor due to bodily weakness, greatly strengthened them by spiritual words, humility, and frequent charity.

12. In the monastery of Cava in Campania, **blessed Leo II, abbot**.

13. At Brignoles in the Province of France, **the passing of Saint Louis, bishop**, grandson of Saint Louis, king of France, who preferred to embrace the evangelical poverty perpetually rather than the praises and honors of the world; though still

young in age, yet mature in virtue, he was raised to the see of Toulouse, and soon consumed by frail health, devoutly fell asleep [in the Lord].

14. At Piacenza in Emilia, **blessed Jordan of Pisa, priest** of the Order of Preachers, who presented profound doctrine with great simplicity to the people in the vernacular tongue.

15. At Acquapagana in Piceno, Italy, **blessed Angelus, hermit** of the Camaldolese Order.

16. At Nagasaki in Japan, **the blessed Martyrs Louis Flores, priest** of the Order of Preachers, **Peter de Zuniga, priest** of the Order of Hermits of Saint Augustine, **and thirteen companions,**⁷ **Japanese sailors**, who, cast ashore in port and immediately apprehended, suffered various tortures and together completed one and the same martyrdom for the Christian faith.

17. At Dorchester in England, **blessed Hugh Green, priest and martyr**, who, having been ordained at Douai, ministered in his homeland for thirty years, until, under King Charles I, cruelly and over a long time torn by the sword, merited to be joined to the Passion of Christ.

18. At Monteagudo in Navarre, Spain, **the heavenly birthday of Saint Ezekiel Moreno Diaz, bishop** of Pasto in Colombia, of the Order of the Augustinian Recollects, who gave his labor and life to preaching the Gospel both in the Philippine Islands and in South America.

19. In the village of *Llosa de Ranes* in the province of Valencia, also in Spain, **blessed Francis Ibáñez Ibáñez, priest and martyr**, who, during the raging persecution against the faith, remained faithful to Christ unto death and completed his life.

20. In the city of *Gandia* in the same province of Spain, **blessed Thomas Sitjar Fortiá, priest** of the Society of Jesus **and martyr**, who in the same persecution poured out his blood for Christ.

21. In the place called *El Saler*, also in the province of Valencia, **blessed Elvira of the Nativity of Our Lord Torrente Paraira and her companions⁸, virgins** of the Institute of the Carmelite Sisters of Charity **and martyrs**, who for Christ their Spouse brought forth the fruit of eternal victory in the struggle of faith.

August 20th

This Day, the Twentieth Day of August

Memorial of **Saint Bernard, abbot and Doctor of the Church**, who, having entered the new monastery of Cîteaux with thirty companions, later became founder and first abbot of the monastery of Clairvaux; by his life, teaching, and example, he wisely guided the monks in the way of the commandments of God; he traveled throughout Europe to restore peace and unity, and by his writings and tireless exhortations, he enlightened the whole Church, until he rested in the Lord in the territory of Langres in France.

2. The commemoration of Saint Samuel, prophet, who, called by God as a child, later fulfilled the office of judge in Israel, and, by the command of God, anointed Saul as king over the people; but when Saul was later rejected by the Lord for his

unfaithfulness, he also conferred the royal anointing upon David, from whose seed Christ was to be born.

3. At the castle of Chinon in the district of Tours in Aquitaine, **Saint Maximus**, a disciple of Saint Martin, who first was a monk on the island of Barbe near Lyon, and later founded a monastery on the river Vienne, in which, full of days, he died.

4. At the Monastery of Noirmoutier on the island of Herio also off the coast of Aquitaine, **Saint Philibert, abbot**, who, having been raised in the court of King Dagobert, became a **monk** while still a youth, and first founded the monastery of Jumièges, then that of Herio, and governed both.

5. At Córdoba in the region of Andalusia in Spain, **the holy martyrs Leovigild and Christopher, monks**, who, in the persecution of the Moors, voluntarily professed Christ before the judge, and for this reason received the palm of martyrdom by beheading.

6. At Siena in Etruria, **the passing of blessed Bernard Tolomei, abbot**, who, founder of the Olivetan Congregation under the Rule of Saint Benedict, was greatly devoted to monastic discipline and, while the plague was raging through Italy, he died among the Sieneese monks who were in danger.

7. On a prison ship off Rochefort in France, **the blessed Louis Francis Le Brun and Gervase Brunel, priests and martyrs**, of whom the former was a monk of the Benedictine Congregation of Saint Maur, and the latter was prior of a Cistercian-Trappist abbey — both were inhumanely detained during the time of the French upheaval and died of disease, thus completing their martyrdom.

8. At Rome, **Saint Maria De Mattias, virgin**, who founded *the Congregation of the Sisters of the Adoration of the Most Precious Blood of Christ*.

9. At Rome, the heavenly birthday of **Saint Pius X, pope**, whose memorial is celebrated tomorrow.

10. At Vallibona in the district of Castellón in Spain, **blessed Matías Cardona, priest** of the Order of Clerics Regular of the Pious Schools **and martyr** in the religious persecution.

11. In the city of Xàtiva in the district of Valencia, likewise in Spain, **blessed Maria Climent Mateu, virgin and martyr**, who, in the same persecution, merited to be conformed to Christ because of her perseverance in the faith.

12. At the detention camp of Dachau near Munich in Bavaria, Germany, **blessed Ladislaus Mączkowski, priest and martyr**, who, Polish by nationality, during wartime was deported, and before his persecutors defended the dignity of human and Christian faith by torments even unto death.

August 21st

This Day, the Twenty-first Day of August

Memorial of **Saint Pius X, pope**, who, after having served as a parish priest, then as bishop of Mantua, and finally as Patriarch of Venice, was elected Roman Pontiff. He took up the task of governance in order to restore all things in Christ, which he fulfilled in simplicity of heart, poverty, and strength. He awakened the Christian life

among the faithful by fostering Eucharistic participation, reverence for the sacred liturgy, and fidelity to doctrinal integrity..

2. In Thrace, **the holy martyrs Agathonicus, Zoticus, and others**, who are said to have undergone martyrdom at Selymbria and in other places.

3. At Rome, in the Verano field, **Saint Cyriaca**, who left her name to the cemetery on the Via Tiburtina, which she had given to the Church.

4. At Utica in Africa, **Saint Quadratus, bishop and martyr**, who, with his entire people — clergy and laity — confessed Christ; and, having nourished the flock, he followed it as pastor after four days.

5. At Verona in Venetia, **Saint Euprepius**, who is held to have been the first **bishop** of that city.

6. At Forum Traiani in Sardinia, **Saint Luxorius, martyr**.

7. The commemoration of the holy martyrs Bassa and her three sons—Theognius, Agapius, and Pistius, of whom Bassa is said to have suffered martyrdom on the island of Halona, and the others at Edessa in Greece.

8. At Javols in France, **Saint Privatus, bishop and martyr**, who, when the Vandals invaded France, was discovered in a crypt where he was occupied with fasting and prayer; and because he would not hand over his sheep or sacrifice to idols, he was beaten with clubs and died.

9. In Auvergne in Aquitaine, **Saint Sidonius Apollinaris**, who, after serving as Prefect of the City of Rome, was ordained **bishop** of Clermont. Steeped in both divine and human learning and endowed with Christian vigor, he stood out as a distinguished father and teacher of the Catholic faith, resisting the ferocity of the barbarian tribes.

10. At Alzira in the territory of Valencia in Spain, **the commemoration of the holy martyrs Bernard—formerly called Ahmed—a monk** of the Cistercian Order, **and his sisters Maria (Zayda) and Gratia (Zoraida)**, whom he had converted from the Mohammedan religion to the faith of Christ.

11. In the city of *Hung Yen* in Tonkin, **Saint Joseph Đình Viên (Em-Dinh-Nien), priest and martyr**, under the emperor Minh Mạng.

12. At Tananarive on the island of Madagascar, **blessed Victoria Rasoamanarivo**, who, after becoming **a widow** from a violent husband, assisted the Christians with every care when the missionaries had been expelled from the island, and defended the Church before the civil authorities.

13. In the village of *Alberic* in the region of Valencia in Spain, **blessed Salvador Estrugo Solves, priest and martyr**, who, during the time of persecution, endured all adversities for the love of Christ even unto the palm [of martyrdom].

14. At *El Morrot* near Barcelona, also in Spain, **blessed Raymond Peiró Victori, priest** of the Order of Preachers **and martyr**, who, in the same persecution, faithfully received the words of Christ and passed through death into glorious life.

15. Near Munich in Bavaria in Germany, **blessed Bruno Zembol, martyr**, who, taken from Poland under a regime opposed to God and sent to the Dachau detention camp for his faith, gloriously died, broken by torments.

August 22nd

This Day, the Twenty-second Day of August

Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Queen, who bore the Son of God, the Prince of Peace, whose kingdom shall have no end, and who is hailed by the Christian people as the **Queen of Heaven and the Mother of Mercy**.

2. At Autun in France of Lyon, **Saint Symphorian, martyr**, whom, as he was being led to execution, his mother from the city wall reminded, saying: “Son, son Symphorian, keep the living God in mind. Today life is not taken from you, but changed into something better.”

3. At Rome, on the Ostian Way in the cemetery of the same name, **Saint Timothy, martyr**.

4. At Todi in Umbria, **Saint Philip Benizi, priest** from Florence, a man of remarkable humility and promoter of the Order of Servants of Mary, who regarded the crucified Christ as his only book.

5. At Bevagna in Umbria, **blessed James Bianconi, priest** of the Order of Preachers, who there founded a convent and refuted the errors of the Nicolaitans.

6. At Ocre near Fossa in the Abruzzi, **blessed Timothy of Monticchio, priest** of the Order of Friars Minor, distinguished for the austerity of his life and the fervor of his prayer.

7. At York in England, **blessed Thomas Percy, martyr**, who, Earl of Northumberland, under Queen Elizabeth the First, for his fidelity to the Roman Church, was beheaded and obtained the palm of martyrdom.

8. In the same place, under the same queen, **the blessed William Lacey and Richard Kirkman, priests and martyrs**, who, condemned to death for having entered England as priests, were led to the gallows to undergo execution.

9. At Worcester likewise in England, **Saint John Wall, priest** of the Order of Friars Minor **and martyr**, who, after fulfilling the duties of pastor in secret for more than twenty years, under King Charles the Second, was hanged and torn by iron because of his priesthood.

10. At Hereford likewise in England, on the same day and year, **Saint John Kemble, priest and martyr**, who for more than fifty years carried out pastoral care during a time of persecution, until as an octogenarian, because of his priesthood, he was hanged and brought his passion to completion.

11. At Offida in Piceno of Italy, **blessed Bernard (Dominic) Peroni, religious** of the Order of Capuchin Friars Minor, renowned for the simplicity of his heart, innocence of life, and remarkable charity toward the poor.

12. At sea off Rochefort in France, **blessed Elias Leymarie de Laroche, priest and martyr**, who, during the upheaval in France, was cast into a filthy ship anchored offshore and cruelly treated there; stricken with illness, he gave up his spirit.

13. In the village of Starunya in the region of Stanislaviv in Ukraine, **blessed Simeon Lukac, bishop and martyr**, who, under a regime hostile to the faith, ministered clandestinely to the flock of Byzantine-Rite Catholics, and through a faithful death proclaimed the glory and honor of Christ the Lord and God.

August 23rd

This Day, the Twenty-third Day of August

Saint Rose, virgin, who, already as a little girl of exceptional austerity, in Lima in Peru, having assumed the habit of the Sisters of the Third Order Regular of Preachers, was devoted to penance and prayer and burned with zeal for the salvation of sinners and of the Indians, for whom she longed to give her life; she willingly subjected herself to all afflictions, so that she might win them for Christ. Her death occurred on the day following this one.

2. Commemoration of Saint Zacharias, bishop, who is said to have been the fourth to govern the Church of Jerusalem after Saint James, the brother of the Lord.

3. At Rome, in the cemetery Saint Lawrence on the Via Tiburtina, **the holy Saints Abundius and Irenaeus, martyrs**.

4. At Ostia on the Tiber, the holy martyrs Cyriacus and Archelaus.

5. At Novae in Lower Moesia, **Saint Luppus, martyr**, who is said to have gained the freedom of Christ by the sword.
6. At Aegeae in Cilicia, **the holy martyrs Claudius, Asterius, and Neon, brothers**, who, accused of the Christian religion by their stepmother, are said to have been beheaded under the emperor Diocletian and the governor Lysias.
7. At Autun in France of Lyon, **Saint Flavian, bishop**, who flourished in the time of King Clovis.
8. At Derry in Ireland, **Saint Eugene**, the first **bishop** of Ardstraw.
9. In the monastery of Saint Philip near Locri in Lower Calabria, **Saint Anthony of Hieracium, hermit**.
10. At sea, anchored far off from Rochefort in France, **blessed John (Protase) Bourdon, priest** of the Order of Friars Minor Capuchin **and martyr**, who, during the French turmoil, enclosed in captivity with many priests, brought comfort to his fellow captives until he was consumed by disease.
11. In the place *Tavernes de Valldigna* in the region of Valencia in Spain, **the blessed martyrs Constantine Carbonell Sempere, priest, Peter Gelabert Amer, and Raymond Grimaldos Monllor, religious** of the Society of Jesus, who suffered martyrdom in the persecution against the faith.
12. Near the town of Vallibona, likewise in the region of Valencia in Spain, **the blessed martyrs Florentino Pérez Romero, priest, and Urban Gil Sáez, religious**, of the Third Order of Saint Francis of the Capuchins of the Sorrowful

Virgin, who, at the time of the same persecution, completed the struggle for the faith.

13. In the town of *Silla* in the same region, **blessed John Mary of the Cross (Mariano) García Méndez, priest** of the Congregation of Priests of the Sacred Heart of Jesus **and martyr**, who, in the same religious persecution, preserved the faith of Christ even to death.

14. In the village of *Puzol*, likewise near Valencia in Spain, **the blessed virgins Rosario (Petra María Victoria) Quintana Argos and Serafina (Manuela Justa) Fernández Ibero**, of the Third Order Capuchins of the Holy Family **and martyrs**, who, while the same persecution raged, obtained the grace of martyrdom.

15. In the detention camp of Dachau near Munich in Bavaria in Germany, **blessed Francis Dachtera, priest and martyr**, who, of Polish nationality, during the war, broken by atrocities committed by doctors with no regard for human dignity, died for Christ.

August 24th

This Day, the Twenty-fourth Day of August

Feast of **Saint Bartholomew, Apostle**, who is generally believed to be the same as Nathanael, born at Cana of Galilee, and by Philip was brought to Jesus Christ at the Jordan; afterwards the Lord called him to follow Himself and joined him to the Twelve; after

the Lord's Ascension he is said to have preached the Gospel in India and there to have been crowned with martyrdom.

2. At Claudiopolis in Honorias, **Saint Tatian, martyr**.

3. At Clichy in the region of Paris, **the passing of Saint Audoenus, bishop** of Rouen, who, having been referendary to King Dagobert, was ordained to the episcopate and governed his Church happily for forty-three years, founding many churches and supporting monasteries.

4. On Mount Olympus in Bithynia, Saint George Limniotes, monk, who, having rebuked the impious emperor Leo the Third because he broke sacred images and burned the relics of the saints, for this reason, by his order, had his nostrils cut off and his head burned, and thus passed to the Lord as a martyr.

5. At Lima in Peru, **the birthday of Saint Rose**, whose memory is commemorated on the preceding day.

6. At Angers in France, **blessed Andrew Fardeau, priest and martyr**, who, in the time of the French upheaval, was beheaded out of hatred for the priesthood.

7. At Naples in Campania, **Saint Jeanne-Antide Thouret, virgin**, who, having resumed the religious life interrupted during the French turmoil along with some companions, at Besançon joined them to a new Society of Sisters of Charity, dedicated to the Christian and civil instruction of youth and to charity toward abandoned children, the poor, and the sick, until she died worn out by great tribulations.

8. At Marseilles in France, **Saint Emilie de Vialar, virgin**, who, laboring to spread the Gospel into distant regions, founded *the Congregation of the Sisters of Saint Joseph of the Apparition* and propagated it widely.

9. At Valencia in Spain, **Saint Maria Michaela of the blessed Sacrament Desmaisières, virgin**, foundress of *the Congregation of Handmaids of the blessed Sacrament and of Charity*, who, inflamed with fervent zeal and desire to win souls for God, dedicated her life to redeeming girls gone astray and women of ill repute.

10. At Tulcán in Ecuador, **blessed María of the Incarnation (María Vincentia) Rosal, virgin**, who restored the Bethlehemite Sisters, especially for the defense of the dignity of women and the Christian education of girls.

11. Near Munich in Bavaria in Germany, in the detention camp of Dachau, **blessed Maximilian Binkiewicz, priest and martyr**, who, during the war, was seized from his homeland of Poland by invading soldiers for the faith of Christ and died under torture and torments.

12. At Dresden in Germany, **the blessed martyrs Czesław Józwiak, Edward Kaźmierski, Franciszek Kesy, Edward Klinik, and Jarogniew Wojciechowski**, who, of Polish origin, during the same period, having been cast into prison, completed their martyrdom by blows of the axe.

August 25th

This Day, the Twenty-fifth Day of August

Saint Louis the Ninth, whom, as **king of France**, active faith in defense of Christians both at home and at war, justice in governing, love for the poor, and constancy in adversity made illustrious. Having entered into marriage, he had eleven children, whom he raised most excellently and devoutly. In order to care for the cross, the crown, and the tomb of the Lord, he expended his wealth, strength, and very life, until, stricken by plague, he died in camp near Tunis on the coast of northern Africa.

Saint Joseph Calasanz, **priest**, who, to instruct boys and young men in the love and wisdom of the Gospel, established public schools and founded at Rome the Order of Poor Clerics Regular of the Mother of God of the Pious Schools.

3. At Arles in Provence, **Saint Genesius, martyr**, who, still a catechumen and serving as a notary, when he refused to act against the Christians, sought safety by fleeing, but having been captured by soldiers, was baptized in his own blood.

4. At Italica near Seville in Baetica of Spain, **Saint Gerontius, bishop**, who is said to have died in prison.

5. At Agde in Narbonese France, **Saint Severus, abbot** of the monastery founded by himself in that city.

6. At Constantinople, **Saint Mennas, bishop**, who, ordained by Saint Agapetus the pope, after a suspension of communion, was reconciled with Pope Vigilius, and dedicated to Divine Wisdom the great church [*Hagia Sophia*: Holy Wisdom] built by the emperor Justinian.

7. At Attane in the region of Limoges in Aquitaine, **Saint Aredius, abbot**, who for the monastery he had founded composed a wise rule drawn from the precepts of various monastic institutions.
8. At Utrecht in Gelderland of Austrasia, **Saint Gregory, abbot**, who, still a youth, continually followed Saint Boniface as he went to convert Hesse and Thuringia; then, by his order, governed as abbot the monastery of Saint Martin and administered the Church of Utrecht.
9. At Montefiascone in Tuscany, **the passing of Saint Thomas Cantilupe, bishop** of Hereford in England, who, distinguished for learning, showed himself severe with himself but generous and bountiful toward the poor.
10. At Shimabara in Japan, **the blessed martyrs Michael Carvalho**, of the Society of Jesus, **Peter Vazquez**, of the Order of Preachers, **Louis Sotelo and Louis Sasanda, priests**, and **Louis Baba, religious** of the Order of Friars Minor, who were burned alive for the faith of Christ.
11. On a foul prison ship anchored at sea off the coast of Rochefort in France, **blessed Paul John Charles, priest and martyr**, who, a Cistercian prior, during the raging French turmoil, was taken by the persecutors from the monastery of Seven Fountains to imprisonment in the naval docks, and died from hunger and disease.
12. At Córdoba in Argentina, **blessed María of the Transit of Jesus Sacramentado, virgin**, who gave the greatest effort to the Christian education of poor and abandoned children and founded *the Missionary Sisters of the Third Order of Saint Francis* in Argentina.

13. At Valencia in Spain, **blessed Aloysius Urbano Lanaspa, priest** of the Order of Preachers **and martyr**, who carried out a noble struggle for Christ.

August 26th

This Day, the Twenty-sixth Day of August

1. Commemoration of Saint Melchizedek, king of Salem and priest of God Most High, who, blessing Abraham, greeted him returning from victory, offering to the Lord a holy sacrifice, an unblemished victim, and in prefiguration of Christ was interpreted as king of peace and righteousness, and, though without genealogy, a priest forever.

2. At Rome, in the cemetery of Basilla on the Old Salarian Way, **Saint Maximilian, martyr**.

3. At Salona in Dalmatia, **Saint Anastasius the fuller, martyr**.

4. At Caesarea in Mauretania, **Saint Victor, martyr**, who, having been sentenced to death by beheading, is said to have been crucified on a Saturday.

5. At Bergamo in Transpadane, **Saint Alexander, martyr**.

6. At Auxerre in France of Lyon, **Saint Eleutherius, bishop**.

7. In the strait near Rochefort in France, **blessed James Retouret, priest** of the Order of Carmelites **and martyr**, who, during the raging French turmoil, was taken from the convent of Limoges to a filthy transport ship, where, left at night with few garments, he died from the cold.

8. At Poitiers, also in France, **Saint Jeanne-Élisabeth Bichier des Âges, virgin**, who, during the French turmoil, assisted Saint Andrew-Hubert Fournet in his clandestine ministry, and, when peace was restored to the Church, founded *the Congregation of the Daughters of the Cross* to instruct the poor and care for the sick.

9. In the city of Bethlehem in the Holy Land, **blessed Mary of Jesus Crucified (Mariam Baouardy), virgin** of the Order of Discalced Carmelites, who, enriched with an abundance of mystical charisms, led a contemplative life with remarkable charity.

10. At Liria in Spain, **Saint Teresa of Jesus Jornet Ibars, virgin**, who founded *the Institute of the Little Sisters of the Abandoned Elderly* to care for the aged.

11. At Valencia also in Spain, **blessed Ambrose (Aloysius) Valls Matamales, priest** of the Order of Friars Minor Capuchin **and martyr**, who, in time of persecution, merited to enter the great banquet by the shedding of his blood.

12. At Benisa in the region of Alicante also in Spain, **blessed Peter (Alexander) Max Ginestar, priest** of the Order of Friars Minor Capuchin **and martyr**, who in the same persecution was crowned for Christ.

13. In the city of Esplugues near Barcelona also in Spain, **blessed Felix Vivet Trabal, religious** of the Salesian Society **and martyr**, who, during the same persecution, merited to enter the great banquet.

14. In the town of *Kharsk* near Tomsk in the Siberian province of Russia, **blessed Laurencia (Leokadia) Harasymiv, virgin** of the Congregation of the Sisters of Saint Joseph, who, when her homeland was oppressed by persecutors of the faith, was taken to a detention camp, where by a glorious death she crowned the constancy of her faith and the purity of her life.

15. At Rome, **blessed Maria Beltrame Quattrocchi**, who, as a wife and mother, living her life with her husband in deep and joyful communion of faith and love for neighbor, illumined her family and society with the light of Christ.

August 27th

This Day, the Twenty-seventh Day of August

Memorial of **Saint Monica**, who, still a young girl, was given in marriage to Patricius, bore children, among whom was Augustine, for whose conversion she poured forth many tears and offered prayers to God, and, proceeding to Africa, at Ostia on the Tiber, greatly desiring heavenly things, departed from this life.

2. At Capua in Campania, **Saint Rufus, martyr.**

3. At Tomi in Scythia, **the holy martyrs Marcellinus, a tribune, and Mannaëa, his wife, and John, their son, and Serapion, a cleric, and Peter, a soldier.**

4. At Bergamo in Liguria, **Saint Narnus**, who is held to be the first **bishop** of the city.
5. In the Thebaid of Egypt, **Saint Phermeus**, **abbot**, concerning whom, being most renowned among the anchorites, several sayings filled with wisdom are reported.
6. At Couserans in Aquitaine, **Saint Licerius**, **bishop**, who, Spanish by nation and disciple of Saint Faustus of Riez, protected the city from destruction by the Visigoths through prayer.
7. At Arles in Provence, **Saint Caesarius**, **bishop**, who, after living a monastic life on the island of Lérins, reluctantly undertook the episcopate, prepared and collected homilies suited to feasts to be read by priests to catechize the people, and also composed rules both for men and for virgins to regulate monastic life.
8. At Pavia in Lombardy, **Saint John**, **bishop**.
9. In the monastery of Petershausen, which he founded, in Swabia, **the burial of Saint Gebhard**, **bishop** of Constance.
10. In the monastery of Hautecombe in Savoy, **the passing of Saint Guarinus**, **bishop** of Sion, who, **a monk** of Molesme in the time of Saint Robert, founded this monastery, which he governed holily and incorporated into the Cistercian Order.
11. At Lausanne among the Swiss, **Saint Amadeus**, **bishop**, who, a monk of Clairvaux, was appointed abbot of the monastery of Altacumba and, later elected

bishop, carefully instructed the young, formed a pious and pure clergy, and celebrated the blessed Virgin Mary in preaching.

12. At Foligno in Umbria, **blessed Angelo Conti, priest** of the Order of Hermits of Saint Augustine, remarkable for his penances and humility and most patient amid injuries.

13. At Leominster in England, **blessed Roger Cadwallador, priest and martyr**, who, ordained at Valladolid in Spain and known for his learning, ministered secretly for sixteen years in his homeland, and finally, under King James the First, condemned on account of the priesthood, after severe torture suffered death by hanging.

14. At Nagasaki in Japan, **blessed Francis of Saint Mary, priest of the Order of Friars Minor, and fourteen companions, martyrs**, who, by order of the prefect of the city, Kawachi Dono, suffered in hatred of the Christian name.

15. In the town of *Usk* in Wales, **Saint David Lewis, priest** of the Society of Jesus **and martyr**, who, ordained priest in Rome, for more than thirty years secretly celebrated the sacraments in his homeland and assisted the poor, until under King Charles the Second, on account of the priesthood, he was hanged.

16. At sea near Rochefort in France, on a rotting ship held at anchor, **the blessed martyrs John Baptist de Souzy, priest, and Udalric (John Baptist) Guillaume**, Brother of the Christian Schools, who, while a persecution against the Church raged, were inhumanely detained and, afflicted by hunger and severe disease, died for Christ.

17. At Reading in England, **blessed Dominic of the Mother of God Barberi, priest** of the Congregation of the Passion, who, striving for the restoration of Christian unity, received many into the Catholic Church.

18. In the village of *Picassent* in the region of Valencia in Spain, **blessed Ferdinand González Afiñón, priest and martyr**, who, in a time of persecution, merited to pass into eternal blessedness.

19. On the road between the towns of *Godella and Bétera* in the same region of Spain, **blessed Raymond Martí Soriano, priest and martyr**, who, during the same persecution against the faith, shed his blood for Christ.

20. At San Sebastián in Spain, **blessed Mary of the Column Izquierdo Albero, virgin**, who, afflicted for a long time with poverty and severe illnesses, honored God with active love of the poor and afflicted, and founded *the Missionary Work of Jesus and Mary* for their service.

August 28th

This Day, the Twenty-eighth Day of August

Memorial of **Saint Augustine, bishop and eminent Doctor of the Church**, who, after a youth troubled by restless teaching and morals, was converted to the Catholic faith and baptized at Milan by Saint Ambrose. Returning to his homeland, he led an ascetic

life with certain friends, dedicated to God and the study of the Scriptures. Soon after, elected *bishop of Hippo* in Africa, for thirty-four years he became a model for the flock and instructed it with many sermons and writings, by which he also vigorously fought against the errors of his time or learnedly illuminated the true faith.

2. At Rome, in the cemetery of Basilla on the Old Salarian Way, **Saint Hermes, martyr**, whom, as Pope Saint Damasus relates, Greece sent forth, and the City held as a citizen who suffered for the holy name.
3. At Constance in Swabia, the commemoration of **Saint Pelagius, martyr**.
4. At Brioude among the Arverni in Aquitaine, **Saint Julian, martyr**, who, in the time of persecution, having come to those parts at the exhortation of Saint Ferréol, is said to have received the palm of martyrdom there.
5. At Constantinople, **Saint Alexander, bishop**, whose apostolic prayer, as Saint Gregory Nazianzen writes, overthrew the leader of the Arian impiety.
6. At Carthage, **Saint Restitutus, bishop**, on whose feast day Saint Augustine delivered a sermon to the people about him.
7. At Sarsina in Flaminia, **Saint Vicinius**, the first **bishop** of this city.
8. At Saintes in France, **Saint Vivian, bishop**.

9. In Egypt, **Saint Moses the Ethiopian**, who, from being a notorious thief, became a renowned anchorite, converted many of his former followers and led them with him into the monastery.
10. At Seville in the region of Andalusia in Spain, **Saint Florentina, virgin**, who, highly skilled in ecclesiastical disciplines, was entrusted by her brothers Isidore and Leander with treatises of outstanding doctrine.
11. At London in England, **the blessed martyrs William Dean, priest, and seven companions**,¹⁰ who, under Queen Elizabeth the First, on the same day, but in different parts of the city or in nearby places, completed their martyrdom by hanging for the kingdom of God.
12. Likewise in Lancashire in England, **Saint Edmund Arrowsmith, priest** of the Society of Jesus **and martyr**, born in the same region, who, after many years dedicated to pastoral care in his homeland, when he was discovered to be a priest and had led many to the Catholic faith, despite the unwillingness of local Protestants, under King Charles the First was hanged.
13. At San Carlos (Monterey) in California, **blessed Junípero (Miguel) Serra, priest** of the Order of Friars Minor, who, burdened by many hardships and trials, preached the Gospel of Christ in the language of the local peoples among the still pagan tribes of that region, and vigorously defended the rights of the poor and humble.
14. At anchor off Rochefort in France, **blessed Charles Arnauld Hanus, priest and martyr**, who, during the French Revolution confined on a transport ship because of his priesthood, worn out by weakness and soon overcome by disease, fulfilled his martyrdom.

15. At Barcelona in Spain, **Saint Joaquina de Vedruna**, who, as a mother of a family, devoutly raised nine children, and, having become a widow, founded *the Institute of the Carmelite Sisters of Charity*, enduring every kind of suffering with a calm spirit until, seized by cholera, she died.

16. In the region of Valencia in Spain, **the blessed martyrs John Baptist Faubel Cano and Arthur Ros Montalt**, who, as **fathers of families**, in a time of persecution against the Church, received death from men but eternal life from God.

17. Near the village of Vinalesa in the same region of Spain, **blessed Aurelius (Joseph) Ample Alcaide, priest** of the Order of Friars Minor Capuchin **and martyr**, who in the same persecution bore glorious fruit by his contest for the faith.

18. In the town of Nawojowa Góra in Poland, **blessed Alphonsus Mary Mazurek, priest and martyr**, who, in time of war, was killed by the invaders of his homeland because of his confession of the Christian faith.

August 29th

This Day, the Twenty-ninth Day of August

Memorial of the Passion of Saint John the Baptist, whom King Herod Antipas held in prison in the fortress of Machaerus and, on his birthday, at the request of the daughter

of Herodias, ordered to be beheaded; therefore, the Forerunner of the Lord, like a burning and shining lamp, bore witness to the truth both in death and in life.

2. At Sirmium in Pannonia, **Saint Basilia**.

3. At Rome, **the commemoration of Saint Sabina**, whose titular church on the Aventine preserves her venerable name.

4. At Metz in Belgic France, **Saint Adelphus, bishop**.

5. In the region of Nantes in Brittany Minor, **Saint Victor, hermit**, who lived enclosed in a small oratory constructed by himself at Campbon.

6. At London in England, **the commemoration of Saint Sebbi**, who, a most devout **king of the East Saxons**, after laying down the kingdom, desired to die in the monastic habit which he had long yearned for.

7. At Paris in Neustria, **Saint Mederic, priest and abbot** of Autun, who lived in seclusion near the city.

8. At Valencia in Spain, **the blessed martyrs John of Perugia, priest, and Peter of Saxoferrato, religious**, both of the Order of Friars Minor, who, for the preaching of the faith among the Moors of Valencia, were beheaded by order of the king in the public square and received the palm of martyrdom.

9. Near Kraków in Poland, **blessed Bronislava, virgin** of the Order of Premonstratensians, who chose to live a humble and hidden life and, after her monastery was destroyed by the Tartars, remained alone with God in a hut.
10. In Lancashire in England, **blessed Richard Herst, martyr**, who, **a family man and farmer**, falsely accused of murder, was condemned to death by hanging under King James I for Christ.
11. In the estuary near Rochefort in France, **blessed Louis Wulphy Huppy, priest and martyr**, who, during the disturbances of the Gallic Revolution, was inhumanely detained on a filthy ship for being a priest and died, emaciated, in exile.
12. At Waterford in Ireland, **blessed Edmund Ignatius Rice**, who with great fervor and perseverance devoted himself to the education of boys and young men in poor conditions, and, to extend this work, *founded the Congregations of the Christian Brothers and the Presentation Brothers*.
13. At Rennes in France, **blessed Mary of the Cross (Jeanne) Jugan, virgin**, who, to beg alms for the poor and for God, founded *the Congregation of the Little Sisters of the Poor*, and, unjustly expelled from the governance of the Institute, spent the remainder of her life in prayer and humility.
14. At Valencia in Spain, **blessed Constantine Fernandez Alvarez, priest** of the Order of Preachers **and martyr**, who, during the persecution, completed the contest for the faith.
15. In the village of *Hijar* near Teruel also in Spain, **blessed Francis Monzon Romeo, priest** of the Order of Preachers **and martyr**, who in the same persecution confirmed his faithfulness to the Lord with his blood.

16. In the internment camp at Dachau near Munich in Bavaria, Germany, **blessed Dominic Jędrejewski, priest and martyr**, who, while war raged, was taken from Poland into foreign imprisonment and, tortured, died for Christ.

17. At Poznań in Poland, **blessed Sancja (Janina) Szymkowiak, virgin** of the Congregation of the Daughters of the blessed Virgin Mary of Sorrows, who, during the storms of war, devoted herself earnestly to aiding those imprisoned.

18. In the village of Santa Giulia in the Subalpine region of Italy, **blessed Teresa Bracco, virgin and martyr**, who, a farm worker during the ravages of the Second World War, valiantly defended her chastity and was killed by blows from soldiers.

August 30th

This Day, the Thirtieth Day of August

1. At Rome in the cemetery of Commodilla on the Ostian Way, **the holy martyrs Felix and Adactus**, who, confessing Christ together for their undefiled faith, as victors hastened together to heaven.

2. Commemoration of sixty holy martyrs, who, at Colonia Sufetana in Byzacene, after the image of Hermes had been destroyed, were burned with the fury of the pagans.

3. At Rome, **the commemoration of Saint Pammachius, a senator**, outstanding for his zeal in the faith and generosity to the poor, by whose piety toward God the Titulus Crescentianus was established.
4. In the monastery of Rebais in the district of Meaux in Neustria, **Saint Aegilius**, the first **abbot**.
5. At Breuil likewise in the district of Meaux, **Saint Fiacre, hermit**, who, originally from Ireland, led a solitary life.
6. At Thessalonica in Macedonia, **Saint Fantinus**, called the Younger, a **hermit**, who was perfected for Christ through fasting, vigils, and labors.
7. At Lucedio in the Subalpine region, **Saint Bononius, abbot**, who first led a hermit's life in Egypt, then on Mount Sinai.
8. At Trevi in Latium, **Saint Peter**, who, though unlearned, cultivated the wisdom of the Gospel in solitude.
9. At London in England, **Saint Margaret Ward, martyr**, who, **a married woman**, was condemned to death under Queen Elizabeth the First for having helped a priest, and at Tyburn, hanged from the gallows, willingly endured martyrdom. In the same place, **blessed martyrs Richard Leigh, priest, and the laymen Edward Shelley and Richard Martin, Englishmen, John Roche, an Irishman, and Richard Lloyd, a Welshman, completed their passion with her**: the first because he was a priest, the others because they had received priests.
10. At Saluzzo in the Subalpine region, **blessed John Juvenal Ancina, bishop**, who, formerly a physician, was among the first to join the Oratory of Saint Philip Neri.

11. At Caesaraugusta in Spain, **blessed María Rafols, virgin**, who founded *the Congregation of the Sisters of Charity of Saint Anne* at the hospital of that city, and governed it with a strong spirit amid many hardships.

12. Likewise, at Almería in Spain, **the passion of the blessed martyrs Diego Ventaja Milan, bishop of Almería, and Emmanuel Medina Olmos**, of Guadix, who, led into prison out of hatred for the name of Christ, bore injuries and insults with patience until they were killed at night.

13. On the road between Puebla Tornesa and Villafamés near Castellón in Spain, **blessed Joachim (Joseph) Ferrer Adell, priest** of the Order of Friars Minor Capuchin **and martyr**, who attained the promised reward through perseverance unto martyrdom.

14. At Santander likewise in Spain, **blessed Vincent Cabanes Badenas, priest** of the Third Order of Saint Francis of the Capuchins of the Sorrowful Virgin **and martyr**, who, during the same persecution against the faith, merited to enter the great banquet.

15. At Venegono near Varese in Italy, **the passing of blessed Alfredo Ildefonso Schuster, bishop**, who, having been elevated from abbot of Saint Paul Outside the Walls to the see of Milan, fulfilled the office of shepherd with extraordinary wisdom for the good of his people.

August 31st

This Day, the Thirty-first Day of August

1. At Jerusalem, **the commemoration of Saints Joseph of Arimathea and Nicodemus**, who received the body of Jesus taken down from the cross, wrapped it in a shroud, and laid it in a tomb. Joseph, a noble member of the council and a disciple of the Lord, was awaiting the kingdom of God; but Nicodemus, of the Pharisees, a leader of the Jews, had come to Jesus by night to inquire about his mission, and in the presence of the chief priests and Pharisees, who wanted to arrest Jesus, he defended his cause.
2. At Athens, **Saint Aristides, philosopher**, most renowned for his faith and wisdom, who presented books about the Christian religion to the emperor Hadrian.
3. At Trier in Belgic France, **Saint Paulinus, bishop and martyr**, who in the time of the Arian persecution was a true herald of the truth, and at the Synod of Arles, assembled by the Arian emperor Constantius, could be moved neither by threats nor flattery to condemn Saint Athanasius or to turn away from the orthodox faith. For this reason, he was banished to Phrygia, where, after five years in exile, he fulfilled his martyrdom.
4. At Lindisfarne in Northumbria, **Saint Aidan, bishop and abbot**, a man of the greatest gentleness, piety, and righteous moderation, who, called from the monastery of Iona by Saint King Oswald, established the episcopal see and a monastery there, that he might devote himself effectively to the evangelization of that kingdom.
5. At Cardona in Catalonia, **Saint Raymond Nonnatus**, who, among the first companions of Saint Peter Nolasco in the Order of the blessed Virgin Mary of

Mercy, is said to have suffered greatly for the name of Christ in the redemption of captives.

6. In the hermitage of Vallucola in Etruria, **blessed Andrew of Borgo San Sepolcro, priest** of the Order of the Servants of Mary, devoted to austerities and contemplation.

7. At Almería in Spain, **the blessed martyrs Edmigus (Isidore) Primo Rodríguez, Amalius (Justus) Zariquiegui Mendoza, and Valerius Bernard (Martianus) Herrero Martínez**, who, Brothers of the Christian Schools, were killed in hatred of the faith during the time of persecution.

1. Their names: blessed Maria Imelda of Jesus the Host (Hedwig Karolina Zak), Maria Raymunda of Jesus and Mary (Anna Kukolowicz), Maria Daniela of Jesus and Mary Immaculate (Eleonora Aniela Jóźwik), Maria Canuta of Jesus in the Garden of Gethsemane (Josefa Chrobot), Maria Sergia of the Sorrowful Virgin (Julia Rapiej), Maria Guidona of Divine Mercy (Helena Cierpka), Maria Felicitas (Paulina Borowik), Maria Heliodora (Leocadia Matuszewska), Maria Canisia (Eugenia Mackiewicz), Maria Borrromea (Veronica Narmontowicz).

2. Their names: Presentatia of the Holy Family (Pascalina Gallen y Martí), Maria Aloysia of Jesus Girón y Romera, Carmela of Saint Philip Neri (Nazaria Gómez y Lezaun), and Clementia of Saint John the Baptist (Antonia Riha y Mestres).

3. Their names: blessed Arthur (Aloysius) Ayala Niño, John Baptist (Joseph) Velázquez Peláez, Eugene (Alphonsus Anthony) Ramírez Salazar, Stephen (Gabriel) Maya Gutiérrez, Melchiades (Raymond) Ramírez Zuluaga, Gaspar (Aloysius Modestus) Páez Perdon.

4. Their names: blessed Peter Cunill Padrós, Joseph Pavón Bueno, Nicasius Sierra Úcar, priests; Wenceslaus Claris Vilaregut, subdeacon; Gregory Chirivás Lacambra, religious.

5. Their names: blessed Antoninus Calvo Calvo, Anthony Mary Dalmau Rosich, John Echarri Vique, Peter García Bernal, Hilary Mary Llorente Martín, Salvador Pigem Serra, lectors; Xavier Louis Bandrés Jiménez, Joseph Brengaret Pujol, Thomas Capdevila Miró, Stephen Casadevall Puig, Eusebius Codina Milla, John Codinachs Tuneu, Raymond Novich Rabionet, Joseph Mary Ormo Sero, Theodore Ruiz de Larrinaga García, John Sánchez Munárriz, Emmanuel Torras Sais, Emmanuel Buil Lalueza, Alphonsus Miquel Garriga, religious.

6. Their names: blessed Joseph Mary Blasco Juan, Alphonsus Sorribes Teixidó, acolytes; Joseph Mary Badía Mateu, Joseph Figueroa Beltrán, Edward Ripoll Diego, Francis Mary Roura Farró, Jesus Augustine Viela Ezcurdia, lectors; Joseph Mary Amorós Hernández, John Baixeras Berenguer, Raphael Briega Morales, Louis Escalé Binefa, Raymond

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Illa Salvia, Louis Lladó Teixidó, Michael Masip González, Faustin Pérez García, Sebastian Riera Coromina, Joseph Mary Ros Florensa; Francis Castán Messeguer and Emmanuel Martínez Jaraúta, religious.

7. Their names: blessed Joachim Hirayama, Leo Sukeyemon, John Soyemon, Michael Diaz, Anthony Yamada, Mark Takenoshima Shinyemon, Thomas Koyanagi, James Matsuo Denshi, Lawrence Rokuyemon, Paul Sankichi, John Yago, John Nagata Matakichi, Bartholomew Mohioye.

8. Their names: Rosa of Our Lady of Good Counsel Pedret Rull, Mary of Our Lady of Providence Calaf Miracle, Frances of Saint Teresa of Amezua Ibaibarriaga, Mary of the Forsaken of the Most blessed Sacrament Giner Lister, Teresa of the Mother of the Divine Shepherd Chambo Pales, Agatha of Our Lady of Virtues Hernández Amorós, Mary of Sorrows of Saint Francis Xavier Vidal Cervera, and Mary of the Snows of the Most Holy Trinity Crespo López.

9. Their names: blessed Bartholomew Laurel and Anthony of Saint Francis, religious of the Order of Friars Minor; Gaspar Vaz and Mary, spouses; Magdalene Kiyota, widow; Caius Jiyemon, Frances, Francis Kurobioye, Francis Kuhioye, Louis Matsuo Soyemon, Martin Gomez, Thomas Wo Jinyemon, Luke Kiyemon, and Michael Kizayemon.

10. Their names: blessed William Gunter, Robert Morton, Thomas Holford, and James Claxton, priests; Thomas Felton, cleric of the Order of Friars Minor; Henry Webley and Hugh More, laymen.

Omnes sancti Mártyres, oráte pro nobis. (“All ye Holy Martyrs, pray for us,”
from the *Litaniae Sanctorum*, the Litany of the St.s)

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“Scio opera tua ... quia modicum habes virtutem, et servasti verbum Meum, nec non negasti Nomen Meum”
(Apocalypsis 3.8)

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Semen est sanguis Christianorum (The blood of Christians is the seed of the Church)

Tertullian, *Apologeticum*, 50

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September

September 1st



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This Day, the First Day of September

1. Commemoration of Saint Joshua, son of Nun, the servant of the Lord, who, when Moses had laid hands upon him, was filled with the spirit of wisdom, and after the death of Moses miraculously led the people of Israel through the bed of the Jordan into the land of promise.

2. At Reims in Belgic France, **Saint Sixtus**, who is held to have been the first **bishop** of this city.

3. At Capua on the Via Aquaria in Campania, **Saint Priscus**, **martyr**.

4. At Todi in Umbria, **Saint Terentianus**, **bishop**.

5. At Dax in Aquitaine, **Saint Vincent**, who is honored as **bishop and martyr**.

6. At Zurzach on the River Rhine in the district of Zürich in Germany, **Saint Verena, virgin**.

7. At Le Mans in Lyon France, **Saint Victor, bishop**, of whom Saint Gregory of Tours makes mention.

8. At Aquino in Latium, **Saint Constantius, bishop**, whose gift of prophecy Pope Saint Gregory the Great praises.

9. In the district of Nîmes in Narbonese France, **Saint Giles**, after whom a town was named, which later grew into Saint-Gilles-du-Gard, where he is said to have built a monastery and completed the course of his earthly life.

10. At Sens in Neustria, **Saint Lupus, bishop**, who, when he had boldly declared before a man of great rank that the people should be governed by the priest and obey God rather than princes, suffered exile.

11. At Venice, **blessed Giuliana of Collalto, abbess** of the Order of Saint Benedict.

12. At Florence in Etruria, **blessed Joanna, virgin** of the Third Order of the Servants of Mary, distinguished for prayer and austerity.

13. At Madrid in Spain, **the blessed martyrs Christino (Michael) Roca Huguet, priest, and eleven companions**,¹ all of the Order of Saint John of God, who, during the raging civil war, were killed in hatred of the faith.

14. In the town of *Paterna* in the region of Valencia, likewise in Spain, **blessed Alfonso Sebastià Viñals, priest and martyr**, who, superior of the school of social

formation in Valencia, received the glorious crown in the persecution against the faith.

15. At Barcelona, also in Spain, **the blessed martyrs Peter Rivera, priest** of the Order of Friars Minor Conventual, **María of Mount Carmel Moreno Benítez, and María of the Refuge Carbonell Muñoz, virgins** of the Institute of the Daughters of Mary Help of Christians, who, in the same persecution, conformed to the Passion of Christ the Bridegroom, attained the reward of everlasting peace.

September 2nd

This Day, the Second Day of September

- 1.** At Nicomedia in Bithynia, **Saint Zeno, martyr.**
- 2.** Also at Nicomedia in Bithynia, **the passion of Saint Theodota with her sons Evodius, Hermogenes, and Callistus.**
- 3.** At Edessa in Osrhoene, **Saint Habib, deacon and martyr**, who under Emperor Licinius, was ordered by Lysanius the governor to be thrown into the fire and completed a noble contest.
- 4.** At Apamea in Syria, **Saint Antoninus, martyr**, who, a stonecutter, after destroying the idols of the gentiles, is said to have been killed by pagans in the twentieth year of the reign because of his zeal for the faith.
- 5.** At Tarraco in Spain, **Saint Prosper, bishop.**

6. At Lyon in France, **the burial of Saint Justus, bishop**, who, after resigning the bishopric following the Council of Aquileia, withdrew with Viator, lector, to a desert of Egypt, where for several years he lived a humble life joined to monks; his holy body was afterwards transferred with the bones of Saint Viator to Lyon.

7. On Mount Soracte by the Via Flaminia in Latium, **Saint Nonnos, abbot**.

8. At Autun in Burgundy, **Saint Syagrius, bishop**, who shone in the councils he attended by knowledge and zeal.

9. At Avignon in the Province, **Saint Agricola, bishop**, who, after a monastic life led on the island of Lérins, was helper to his father Saint Magnus and succeeded him in the bishopric.

10. In Picenum in Italy, **Saint Elpidius**, after whom the town where his body is kept was named.

11. At Ponte in the Bergamo district of Lombardy, **Saints Albert and Vitus, monks**, the former of whom forsook the military service of Christ with arms and honors of the world and founded a monastery in his own city according to the customs of Cluny, over which the other presided.

12. On Mount Carmel in Palestine near the spring of Elisha, **blessed Brocard, prior** of the hermits to whom Saint Albert, bishop of Jerusalem, gave a rule to remain day and night in the law of the Lord, meditating and watching in prayers.

13. At Skänninge in Sweden, **blessed Ingrid Elofsdotter**, who, having become a widow, dedicated all her goods to the honor of God and after a pilgrimage to the Holy Land assumed the habit of the nuns of the Order of Preachers.

14. At Paris in France, the passion of the blessed martyr saints **John Mary of Laud'Allemands, Francis Joseph, and Peter Louis of La Rochefoucauld, bishops, and ninety-three companions, clerics or religious**², who, having refused to take the nefarious oath imposed on clerics during the time of the French disturbance, were forced into the Carmelite convent and slain for Christ in hatred of the religion.

15. There also, on the same day and year, **blessed Peter James Mary Vitalis, priest, and twenty companions, martyrs**, who in the same time were killed in hatred of the Church at the Abbey of Saint Germain des Prés.

September 3rd

This Day, the Third Day of September

Memorial of **Saint Gregory the Great, pope and Doctor of the Church**, who, having embraced monastic life, served as legate in Constantinople, and, finally elected on this day to the Roman See, cared for both earthly affairs and sacred matters as the servant of the servants of God. He showed himself to be a true shepherd in governing affairs, in providing every assistance to the poor, in fostering monastic life, and in confirming or spreading the faith everywhere, on account of which he also wrote outstandingly on moral and pastoral matters. He died on the twelfth day of March.

2. **Commemoration of Saint Phoebe**, servant of the Lord among the faithful at Cenchreae, who assisted the blessed Apostle Paul and many others, as he himself testifies in the letter to the Romans.
3. At Nicomedia in Bithynia, **Saint Basilissa, virgin and martyr**.
4. At Córdoba in Baetica, Spain, **Saint Sandalus, martyr**.
5. At Toul in Belgic France, **Saint Mansuetus**, first **bishop** of this city.
6. On Mount Titano near Rimini in Flaminia, **Saint Marinus, deacon and hermit**, who is believed to have led a still-pagan people to the light of the Gospel and the freedom of Christ.
7. In Ireland, **Saint Macanisius, bishop**.
8. At Milan in Lombardy, **Saint Auxanus, bishop**.
9. At Caudium in Campania, **Saint Vitalian, bishop**.
10. In the monastery of Stavelot in Brabant, **Saint Remaclus, bishop and abbot**, who, after living at the monastery of Solignac, founded the twin monasteries of Stavelot and Malmedy in the solitude of the Ardennes forest.
11. On the island of Lérins in Provence, **Saint Aigulphus, abbot, and his fellow monks**, who are thought to have **suffered martyrdom** at the hands of invading Saracens.

12. At Séez in Neustria, **Saint Chrodogang, bishop and martyr.**

13. In the region of Asti, in the Camonica Valley of Lombardy, **blessed Gualterus, bishop** of Brescia, of the Order of Preachers, who prudently labored for the peace of the Church and the state during the time of Emperor Frederick II, and suffered exile.

14. At Nagasaki in Japan, **the blessed Bartholomew Gutiérrez, priest** of the Order of Hermits of Saint Augustine, **and five companions, martyrs** ⁴, who, out of hatred for the Christian faith, were first immersed in boiling sulfurous waters and then consigned to fire.

15. At Piacenza in Emilia, **blessed Brigida Morello of Jesus**, who, having become a widow, consecrated herself to the Lord in penance, devoted herself with all zeal to works of charity, and founded *the Congregation of the Ursuline Sisters of Mary Immaculate* for the Christian formation of young girls.

16. At Paris in France, **the passion of the blessed martyrs André Abel Alricy, priest, and seventy-one companions,** ⁵ **most of whom were priests**, who, after having confessed the faith on the previous day, were confined in the Seminary of Saint Firmin as in a prison, and were slaughtered out of hatred for the Church.

17. In the same place, on the same day and year, **the blessed martyrs Jean-Baptiste Bottex, Michel-Marie-François de la Gardette, and François Hyacinthe le Livec de Trésurin**, who perished for Christ in the same time of persecution in the prison called “La Force.”

18. At Seoul in Korea, **the passion of Saints John Pak Hu-jae and five companions, martyrs,** ⁶ who, during a fierce persecution, were led before a

tribunal for their being Christians, endured cruel tortures for the faith, and were put to death by beheading.

September 4th

This Day, the Fourth Day of September

1. **Commemoration of Saint Moses, the prophet**, whom God chose to free the people oppressed in Egypt and to lead them into the land of promise; to whom also on Mount Sinai He revealed Himself, saying: “I am who am,” and proposed the law that would govern the life of the chosen people. That servant of God died, full of days, on Mount Nebo in the land of Moab, before the land of promise.
2. At Chalon in Lugdunese France, **Saint Marcellus, martyr**.
3. At Rome, in the cemetery of Maximus on the Via Salaria, **the burial of Saint Boniface the First, pope**, who resolved many controversies concerning ecclesiastical discipline.
4. At Chartres in Neustria, **Saint Caletricus, bishop**.
5. At Hersfeld in Saxony, **Saint Ida, widow** of Duke Ecbert, distinguished for charity toward the poor and perseverance in prayer.
6. At Mende in Aquitaine, **Saint Fredaldus, bishop and martyr**.

7. At Cologne in Lotharingia, **Saint Irmgard**, who, countess of *Süchteln*, devoted her goods to the founding of churches.

8. At Palermo in Sicily, **Saint Rosalia, virgin**, who is believed to have led a solitary life on Mount Pellegrino.

9. At Carmagnola in the sub-Alpine region, **blessed Catherine Mattei, virgin, sister** of the Penitents of Saint Dominic, who endured chronic illness, the slanders of men, and all temptations with wondrous charity and abundance of virtues.

10. In the sea strait at anchor before Rochefort in France, **blessed Scipio Hieronymus Brigeat de Lambert, priest and martyr**, who, a canon of Avranches, during the persecution in the time of the French turmoil, was cruelly cast onto a galley ship because of his priesthood and died from hunger.

11. In the town of *Sillery* in the province of Quebec, Canada, **blessed Mary of Saint Cecilia Roman (Dina) Bélanger, virgin**, of the Congregation of the Religious of Jesus and Mary, who, trusting in God alone, bore the severity of grave illness for many years.

12. In the town of *Oropesa* near Castile on the coast of Spain, **blessed Joseph Pascual Carda Saporta, priest** of the Society of Diocesan Worker Priests and martyr, who, during the persecution against the Church, was led to glorious martyrdom in hatred of religion.

13. In the village of *Teulada* near Alicante, also in Spain, **blessed Francis Sendra Ivars, priest and martyr**, who in the same persecution against the faith suffered martyrdom.

14. Near the village of *Genovés* in the region of Valencia, also in Spain, **blessed Bernard (Joseph) Bieda Grau, religious** of the Order of Friars Minor Capuchin **and martyr**, who in the same period fought nobly for Christ.

September 5th

This Day, the Fifth Day of September

- 1.** At Portus Romanus, **the holy martyrs Acontius, Nonnus, Herculanus, and Taurinus.**
- 2.** At Capua in Campania, **Saint Quintus, martyr.**
- 3.** At Nicomedia in Bithynia, **the holy martyrs Urbanus, Theodorus, Menedemus, and companions, both clerics and laymen,** who, under the emperor Valens, were placed onto a ship and ordered to be burned at sea for the Catholic faith.
- 4.** In the region of Thérrouanne in Flanders, **Saint Bertin, abbot** of Sithiu, who was buried in the monastery which he had founded together with Saint Mummolinus and which was named after him.
- 5.** At Tortona in Liguria, **Saint Alpertus,** who is considered the founder and first abbot of the monastery of Butrium.
- 6.** In Dalmatia, **blessed John Bonus of Siponto, abbot,** who rebuilt the monastery of Saint Michael on the Dalmatian coast, in view of Mount Gargano.

7. At Ripon in England, **blessed William Browne, martyr**, who, under King James the First, was condemned to death for having led others to embrace the Catholic faith, and was hanged and cruelly dismembered.

8. On a filthy ship bound at anchor in the sea off Rochefort in France, **blessed Florentius Dumontet de Cardaillac, priest and martyr**, who, during the time of the French turmoil, was condemned because of the priesthood, and completed his martyrdom as a victim to disease through his charity and zeal in serving his sick fellow captives.

9. In the city of Ninh Tai in Tonkin, **the holy martyrs Peter Nguyễn Văn Tụ, priest** of the Order of Preachers, **and Joseph Hoang Luong Canh, physician**, who were beheaded in hatred of the Christian name.

10. At Calcutta in India, **blessed Teresa (Agnes) Gonxha Bojaxhiu, virgin**, who, born in Epirus, quenched the thirst of Christ abandoned on the cross with extraordinary charity toward her most impoverished brothers, and founded *the Congregations of the Missionaries of Charity* for the full service of the sick and the abandoned.

September 6th

This Day, the Sixth Day of September

1. **Commemoration of Saint Zechariah, prophet**, who foretold that the people would return from exile to the land of promise, and brought to them the message of

the peaceful king; a message that Christ the Lord wondrously fulfilled by His triumphal entry into the Holy City, Jerusalem.

2. Likewise, **the commemoration of Saint Onesiphorus**, who often refreshed the blessed Apostle Paul at Ephesus and was not ashamed of his chain, but, having journeyed to Rome, diligently sought him, and found him.

3. **Commemoration of Saints Donatian, Praesidius, Mansuetus, Germanus, and Fuscus, bishops** in Africa, who, in the Vandal persecution by order of Huneric the Arian king, were most cruelly beaten with clubs and subjected to exile for their defense of Catholic truth; along with them also was **Laetus, bishop** of Neptis in Byzacena, a vigorous and most learned man, who, after long squalor in prison, was consumed by fire.

4. At Spoleto in Umbria, **Saint Eleutherius, abbot**, whose simplicity and compunction of heart Pope Saint Gregory the Great praises.

5. At Laon in France, **Saint Cagnoald, bishop**, who was a disciple of Saint Columbanus and his sole companion in the desert near Bregenz.

6. On the coast of Cumbria in the region of England, in a town later named after her, **Saint Bega, virgin and nun**.

7. In the monastery of Fussen in Bavaria, **Saint Magnus, abbot**.

8. In the Cistercian monastery of Le Bosquet near Orange in Provence of France, **the commemoration of blessed Bertrand of Garrigues, priest**, who, being among the first disciples of Saint Dominic, always strove to conform himself to the example of his master.

9. In the village of *Gata de Gorgos* in the region of Lucentum in Spain, **blessed Diego Llorca Llopis, priest and martyr**, who, in the persecution against the Church, was crowned on account of his witness to Christ.

10. In the village of *Carcaixent* in the region of Valencia, likewise in Spain, **blessed Pascual Torres Lloret, martyr**, who, a **father of a family**, bearing the cross of Christ, deserved to attain the heavenly reward.

11. At Warsaw in Poland, **blessed Michal Czartoryski, priest** of the Order of Preachers **and martyr**, who, when Poland was invaded by the enemies of God, was slain by bullets in a parish of the place for the faith which he never renounced.

September 7th

This Day, the Seventh Day of September

1. At Alise near the Aedui in France, **Saint Regina, martyr**.

2. At Pompeiopolis in Cilicia, **Saint Sozon, martyr**.

3. At Benevento in Campania, **the holy martyrs Festus, deacon, and Desiderius, lector**.

4. At Orléans in Lyon France, **Saint Evurtius, bishop**.

5. At Aosta in the Graian Alps, **Saint Grat, bishop**.
6. At Bar-sur-Aube in the region of Troyes in France, **the holy martyrs Memorius and companions**, who are believed to have been killed by Attila, king of the Huns.
7. At Châlons in Lyon France, **Saint Alpinus, bishop**, who was a disciple of Saint Lupus of Troyes.
8. In the village of Nogent in the territory of Paris, also in France, **Saint Clodoald, priest**, who, born of royal lineage and taken in by his grandmother Saint Clotilda after his father and brothers were killed, rejected an earthly kingdom and became a cleric.
9. At Albi in Aquitaine, **Saint Carissima, virgin and recluse**.
10. At Maubeuge in Hainaut, Austrasia, **Saint Madelbertha, abbess**, who succeeded her sister Saint Adeltrudis.
11. In Flanders of Austrasia, **the commemoration of Saint Hilduard, bishop**.
12. At Toul in Lotharingia, **Saint Gauzelin, bishop**, who fostered monastic discipline.
13. At Gubbio in Umbria, **Saint John of Lodi, bishop**, who was a companion of Saint Peter Damian on legations.

14. At Die in the region of the Vocontii in France, **Saint Stephen of Châtillon, bishop**, who, taken from the solitude of Portes, but diminishing nothing of the Carthusian austerity, served this Church with utmost zeal.

15. At Košice in the Carpathian Mountains, **the holy martyrs Mark Križin, priest** of Esztergom, **Stephen Pongrácz and Melchior Grodziecki, priests** of the Society of Jesus, who could not be compelled to renounce the Catholic faith by hunger, torture, or the agony of fire.

16. At Nagasaki in Japan, **the blessed martyrs Thomas Tsuji, priest** of the Society of Jesus, **Louis Maki and his son John**, who were condemned to fire out of hatred for the Christian faith.

17. At London in England, **the blessed martyrs Randolph Corby**, of the Society of Jesus, **and John Duckett, priests**, who, under King Charles I, were condemned to death for having entered England as priests and attained the heavenly palm at Tyburn by the noose.

18. On a prison ship off Rochefort in France, **the blessed martyrs Claude Barnabé Laurent de Mascloux and François d'Oudinot de la Boissière, priests**, who, during the upheaval in France, were arrested for being priests and condemned to the naval hulks, and, afflicted with grave illness due to hunger, died for Christ.

19. On *Woodlark* Island in Oceania, **blessed Giovanni Battista Mazzucconi, priest** of the Milan Institute for Foreign Missions **and martyr**, who, after two years of missionary labor, already exhausted by fevers and sores, was struck down with an axe out of hatred for the faith.

20. At Parma in Emilia, Italy, **blessed Eugenia Picco, virgin** of the Congregation of the Little Daughters of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary, who, wholly devoted to the will of God. “... *promoted the dignity of women and provided for the spiritual formation and liberal education of religious women. ...*” [Note: nothing can be found to corroborate this claim, although it is clearly stated in the 2004 Roman Martyrology. It appears to have no historical or biographical basis. Ed.]

21. In the town of *Gandía* in the region of Valencia, Spain, **blessed Ascensión of Saint Joseph Calasanz Lloret Marco, virgin** of the Institute of Carmelite Sisters of Charity **and martyr**, who, during a persecution, completed her struggle for the faith.

September 8th

This Day, the Eighth Day of September

Feast of the Nativity of the blessed Virgin Mary, of the seed of Abraham, of the tribe of Judah, of the lineage of King David, from whom was born the Son of God, made man by the Holy Spirit, so that He might free men from the ancient slavery of sin.

2. At Rome, the commemoration of **Saint Hadrian, martyr**, who suffered at Nicomedia in Bithynia, and in whose honor Pope Honorius I converted the Roman Senate house into a church.

3. At Alexandria in Egypt, **the holy martyrs Faustus, Dius, and Ammonius, priests**, who, in the persecution of the emperor Diocletian, received the crown of martyrdom together **with Saint Peter the bishop**.
4. In the city of *Bagrevand* in Greater Armenia, **Saint Isaac, bishop**, who, to foster the Christian life of the people, translated the Sacred Scripture and the Liturgy into the Armenian language; he adhered to the faith confirmed at the Council of Ephesus, but was soon expelled from his see and died in exile.
5. At Rome, near Saint Peter's, **the burial of Pope Saint Sergius I**, of Syrian lineage, who dedicated great effort to the evangelization of the Saxons and Frisians and resolved many controversies and disputes, choosing death rather than agreement with errors.
6. At Freising in Bavaria, **Saint Corbinian**, who, having been ordained **bishop** and sent to preach the Gospel in Bavaria, bore abundant fruit.
7. At Pébrac, in the territory of Le Puy-en-Velay in France, **Saint Peter of Chavanon, priest**, who, aspiring to a more perfect life, withdrew into that solitude where he rebuilt a monastery of Canons Regular, and was also appointed its prior.
8. At Pesaro in Picenum, Italy, **blessed Seraphina Sforza**, who, having experienced many adversities in married life, after becoming a widow, spent the remainder of her life in deep humility under the Rule of Saint Clare.
9. At Valencia in Spain, **Saint Thomas of Villanova, bishop**, who, a hermit under the Rule of Saint Augustine, when he accepted the office of bishop out of obedience, excelled among other pastoral virtues with such burning love for the poor that he gave away everything to the needy, not even keeping a bed for himself.

10. At Durham in England, of **the blessed martyrs Thomas Palaser, priest, John Norton, and John Talbot**, who, under Queen Elizabeth the First, were condemned to death — the first because he had returned to England as a priest, the others, because they had given him assistance — and endured the torments of the gallows

11. At Cartagena in Colombia, **the heavenly birthday of Saint Peter Claver, priest**, whose memorial is celebrated tomorrow.

12. At Nagasaki in Japan, **the blessed martyrs Anthony of Saint Bonaventure**, of the Order of Friars Minor, **Dominic Castellet**, of the Order of Preachers, **priests, and twenty companions,**⁷ **seven of whom were martyrs, others being laypersons and several children**, all of whom suffered martyrdom for Christ either by sword or by fire.

13. At Marseille in France, **the passing of blessed Frédéric Ozanam**, a man renowned for his learning and piety, who defended and spread the truths of the faith through his distinguished teaching, offered tireless charity to the poor in the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul, and, as **an exemplary father of a family**, made his household into a domestic church.

14. At Almería, on the Andalusian coast in Spain, **the blessed martyrs Joseph Crecilius (Boniface) Rodríguez González, Theodemir Joachim (Adrian) Sainz Sainz, and Eventius Richard (Eusebius Alphonsus) Urjurra**, Brothers of the Christian Schools, who, during the civil war, attained the palm of martyrdom due to religious persecution.

15. In the village of Alcoy near Alicante, also in Spain, **blessed Marino Blanes Giner, martyr, a father of a family**, who during the same persecution received death from men but eternal life from God.

16. In the city of Paterna, in the region of Valencia, also in Spain, **blessed Ismael Escrihuela Esteve, martyr, a father of a family**, who became a sharer in the victory of Christ through martyrdom.

17. At Villarreal, in the region of Castellón, also in Spain, **blessed Paschal Fortuño Almela, priest** of the Order of Friars Minor **and martyr**, who was crowned for his witness to Christ.

18. In the city of Burjasot near Valencia, also in Spain, **the blessed virgins and martyrs Josefa of Saint John of God Ruano García and María of Sorrows of Saint Eulalia Puig Bonany**, of the Congregation of the Sisters of the Abandoned Elderly, who in the same persecution for the faith received the crown of glory through the shedding of their blood.

19. Near Munich in Bavaria, Germany, in the detention camp of Dachau, **blessed Adam Bargielski, priest and martyr**, who during the war voluntarily surrendered himself to the enemies of the faith in place of his pastor, and, after enduring severe suffering in prison, passed undefeated into eternal glory.

20. At the place of *Groß-Rosen* in Germany, **blessed Ladislaus Bładziński, priest** of the Congregation of Saint Michael **and martyr**, who, in the same time of trial, was deported from his native Poland by enemies of the Church to the stone quarries and was killed there.

September 9th

This Day, the Ninth Day of September

Saint Peter Claver, priest of the Society of Jesus, who, at Cartagena in Colombia, for more than forty years with marvelous self-denial and outstanding charity labored on behalf of black people who had been taken into slavery; about three hundred thousand of them he regenerated in Christ by baptism with his own hand.

2. At Rome in the cemetery at the Two Laurels on the Labican Way, **Saint Gorgonius, martyr**.
3. In the Sabine region, at the thirtieth milestone from the City of Rome, **Saint Hyacinth, martyr**.
4. In the monastery of Clonmacnoise on the bank of the River Shannon in Ireland, **Saint Ciaran, priest and abbot**, founder of the same monastery.
5. In Castile, a region of Spain, **blessed Mary de la Cabeza**, or “of the Head,” who, the wife of Saint Isidore the Farmer, led a humble and laborious eremitical life.
6. At a monastery in Germany, **blessed Mary Euthymia (Emma) Offing, virgin** of the Congregation of the Sisters of Compassion, who, with outstanding piety, kindness, and self-forgetfulness, served God among the sick.
7. At York in England, **blessed George Douglas, priest and martyr**, who, of Scottish origin, having been a schoolmaster, became a priest in Paris; under Queen

Elizabeth I, because he had persuaded others to embrace the Catholic faith, he passed over into heaven victorious through the torments of the gibbet.

8. In the town of *Gramat* in the region of Cahors in France, **blessed Peter Bonhomme, priest**, who zealously devoted himself to missions among the people and to the evangelization of rural areas, and founded *the Congregation of the Sisters of Our Lady of Mount Calvary*, to which he entrusted the care of youth, the sick, and the poor in need.

9. At Port Louis on the island of Mauritius in the Indian Ocean, **blessed James Désiré Laval, priest**, who, after spending some years in the medical profession, became a missionary in the Congregation of the Holy Spirit and led black people, recently freed from slavery, to the freedom of the children of God.

10. At Flaviobriga in the Basque region of Spain, **blessed Francis Garate Aranguren, religious** of the Society of Jesus, who fulfilled the office of doorkeeper for forty-two years with Christian humility.

September 10th

This Day, the Tenth Day of September

1. At Alexandria in Egypt, **Saint Nemesius, martyr**, who, first having been falsely accused before the judge as a thief and acquitted of that crime, was soon after, in the persecution of the Emperor Decius, accused before the judge Aemilian by name of the Christian religion; tortured with doubled punishments, he was

ordered to be burned with thieves, bearing the likeness of the Savior, who bore the cross together with thieves.

2. Commemoration of Saints Nemesian and companions Felix, Lucius, another Felix, Litteus, Polianus, Victor, Jader, and Dativus, who, bishops, priests, and deacons, in Africa under the Emperors Valerian and Gallienus, as the fury of persecution rose up, were first gravely beaten with rods for Christ, then bound with chains and assigned to dig in the mines, with Saint Cyprian encouraging them in letters that they might firmly endure their chains and preserve the Lord's commandments.

3. At Constantinople, **Saint Pulcheria**, who defended and promoted the true faith.

4. At Novara in Liguria, **Saint Agabius, bishop.**

5. At Albi in Aquitaine, **Saint Salvius, bishop**, who, taken from the cloister, was unwillingly ordained to this see; when the plague grew severe, as a good shepherd he never wished to depart from the city.

6. Near Speyer in Rhenish Austrasia, **the passion of Saint Theodard, bishop of Tongeren and martyr**, who was killed on a journey to King Childeric.

7. At Avranches in Neustria, **Saint Autbert, bishop**, through whose effort the cult of Saint Michael the Archangel flourished on Mont Tombe.

8. In the monastery of Lucedio near Vercelli in the Subalpine region, **blessed Oglerius, abbot** from the Cistercian Order.

9. At Tolentino in Picenum of Italy, **Saint Nicholas, priest** of the Order of Hermits of Saint Augustine, who, given to very strict abstinence and constant in prayer, severe with himself but gentle toward others, often took upon himself the penance of others.

10. At Nagasaki in Japan, **the blessed martyrs Sebastian Kimura**, of the Society of Jesus, **Francis Morales**, of the Order of Preachers, **priests, and fifty companions,** ⁸ **eight of them priests, religious, married people, young persons, catechists, widows, and children**, who, before a large crowd on a hill, died for Christ under most cruel torments.

11. At London in England, **Saint Ambrose Edward Barlow, priest** of the Order of Saint Benedict **and martyr**, who, for twenty-four years in the region of Lancashire strengthened Catholics in faith and piety, and, having been arrested while preaching on the day of the Lord's Pasch, under King Charles the First, after imprisonment, was condemned to death for his priesthood and hanged on the gallows at Tyburn.

12. On the rafts of the pontoon before Rochefort in France, **blessed James Gagnet, priest** of the Carmelite Order **and martyr**, who, during the French upheaval, was inhumanely cast into a filthy ship on account of his priesthood; sustaining his fellow prisoners in sickness, he was consumed by decay of the flesh.

September 11th

This Day, the Eleventh Day of September

1. At Rome in the cemetery of Basilla on the Old Salarian Way, **the burial of the holy martyrs Protus and Hyacinth**, whose tombs, hidden underground, Pope Saint Damasus restored and adorned with verses. In the same place, nearly fifteen centuries later, the intact tomb and cremated body of Saint Hyacinth was again discovered.
2. At Zurich among the Swiss, **the holy martyrs Felix and Regula**.
3. **Commemoration of Saint Paphnutius, bishop** in Egypt, who was one of those confessors of the faith who, under the Emperor Galerius Maximinus, with the right eye gouged out and the left hamstring cut, were condemned to the mines; afterward, he took part in the Council of Nicaea and strove vigorously against the Arians for the Catholic faith.
4. At Lyon in France, **Saint Patient, bishop**, who, moved by charity, distributed freely a great quantity of grain to cities along the Rhône and Saône rivers, in order to assist peoples oppressed by famine, and devoted himself extensively to apostolic work for the conversion of heretics and care of the poor.
5. At Paris in France, **the passing of Saint Sacerdos, bishop** of Lyon, who lived in the love and fear of God and, when he had come to this city for a council, died there.
6. On the island of Bardsey off the northern coast of Wales, **Saint Daniel (Deiniol Wyn), bishop and abbot** of Bangor.

7. In the monastery of Luxeuil in Burgundy, **the passing of Saint Adelphius, abbot** of the monastery of Remiremont, who atoned for a brief disagreement by shedding many tears.
8. At Toul in Austrasia, **Saint Leudinus**, also called Bodo, **bishop**, who, first having been married, later embraced monastic life, his wife Odilia at the same time having taken the same decision.
9. In the monastery of Aulinas in Calabria, **Saint Elias**, surnamed the Cave-Dweller, renowned for the eremitical and cenobitic life.
10. At Nagasaki in Japan, **the blessed martyrs Gaspar Koteda, catechist, Francis Takeya and Peter Shichiemon, boys**, who, after their fathers had suffered martyrdom the day before, underwent the same punishment of beheading in the same place, with equal steadfastness, for Christ.
11. At Rome, **blessed Bonaventure of Barcelona (Michael) Gran, brother** of the Order of Friars Minor, who, in his zeal for regular observance, established houses for sacred retreats in many places of the Roman territory, always showing the greatest austerity of life and charity toward the poor.
12. Off the coast of Rochefort in France, on a ship moored at anchor, **blessed Francis Mayaudon, priest and martyr**, who, during the French upheaval, was arrested on the prison-ship because of his priesthood and at length was consumed by the wasting of the flesh.
13. In the city of Wuchang in the province of *Hubei* in China, **Saint John Gabriel Perboyre, priest** of the Congregation of the Mission **and martyr**, who, to preach the Gospel, took on the appearance according to the customs of the place; but when

the persecution arose, afflicted by various torments in prolonged imprisonment, at last was hung upon a cross and strangled with a cord.

14. At Barcelona in Spain, **blessed Peter of Alcántara (Lawrence) Villanueva Larrayoz, religious** of the Order of Saint John of God **and martyr**, who, during the persecution against the faith, obtained martyrdom because he was a religious.

15. In the village of Genovés in the region of Valencia, likewise in Spain, **blessed Joseph Mary Segura Penadés, priest and martyr**, who in the same persecution shed his blood for Christ.

September 12th

This Day, the Twelvth Day of September

Feast of the Most Holy Name of the blessed Virgin Mary, on which day the ineffable love of the Mother of God toward her most holy Offspring is recalled and, before the eyes of the faithful, is set forth the image of the Mother of the Redeemer to be devoutly invoked.

2. In Bithynia, **Saint Autonomus, bishop and martyr.**

3. At Alexandria in Egypt, **the holy martyrs Cronides, Leontius, and Serapion**, who, under the emperor Maximinus, are said to have been drowned in the sea for confessing the name of Christ.

4. At Emly in the province of Munster in Ireland, **Saint Ailbe, bishop**, who, as a pilgrim, preached the Gospel to many.
 5. At Anderlecht in Brabant, **Saint Guy**, who at first served at the Church of Saint Mary of Laken, and then, conspicuous for his generosity toward the poor, for seven years made pilgrimage to holy places and, having returned at length to his homeland, piously died.
 6. At Omura in Japan, the **blessed Apollinaris Franco**, of the Order of Friars Minor, **and Thomas Zumárraga**, of the Order of Preachers, **priests, and four companions, martyrs**, who, out of hatred for the Christian faith, were thrown into prison and afterward burned in fire.
 7. In the strait of the sea at Rochefort in France, **blessed Peter Sulpicius Christopher Faverge, a Brother** of the Christian Schools **and martyr**, who, during the French turmoil, was imprisoned because he was a religious, and devoted all his care to his fellow prisoners, until, consumed by contagion, he piously died.
 8. At Seoul in Korea, **Saint Francis Ch'oe Kyong-hwan, martyr**, who, a **catechist**, brought before the prefect, refused to deny the Christian faith and, detained in prison, never ceased from prayer and handing on the catechesis, and through the tortures of torment attained martyrdom.
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September 13th

This Day, the Thirteenth Day of September

Memorial of **Saint John, bishop of Constantinople and Doctor of the Church**, who, of Antiochene birth, having been initiated into the priesthood, earned the **surname Chrysostom** from his golden eloquence; having been elected to that see, he showed himself an excellent shepherd and teacher of the faith, but, cast into exile by his enemies, when he was being recalled from there by decree of Pope Saint Innocent I, he endured many hardships on the journey at the hands of the soldiers guarding him, and gave back his soul to God on the fourteenth day of September, at Comana in Pontus.

2. At Ancyra in Galatia, **Saint Julian, priest and martyr**, under the emperor Licinius.

3. At Jerusalem, **the dedication of the basilicas** which, **upon Mount Calvary and the Lord's sepulcher**, the emperor Constantine devoutly ordered to be rebuilt.

4. At Tours in the region of Lyon in France, **Saint Litorius, bishop**, who was the first to rebuild a church within the city walls, although Christians had already been present there before.

5. At Yzeures-sur-Creuse (ancient Juliacum) in Valentia, in the region of Lyon in France, **Saint Aemilian**, who is venerated as the first **bishop** of this city.

6. At Carthage, **Saint Marcellinus, martyr**, who, a tribune and associate of Saints Augustine and Jerome, was, out of envy by the tyranny of Heracleianus, innocently slain by the Donatist heretics for the defense of the Catholic faith.

7. At Angers in the region of Lyon in France, **Saint Maurilius, bishop**, who, born at Milan, visited Saint Martin of Tours, by whom he was ordained a priest and made provost of the church of Calonnia; later made bishop, he took care to root out the superstitions of the pagan rustics.

8. Among the Vosges in Neustria, **Saint Amatus, priest and abbot**, renowned for austerity, fasting, and love of solitude, who rightly governed the monastery of Habend, which he had founded with Saint Romaric.

9. On the island of Tyro Maiore in the Gulf of La Spezia in Liguria, **Saint Venerius, hermit**.

10. At Breuil in the region of Amiens in France, **the passing of Saint Amatus, bishop** of Sion among the Swiss, who, having been driven into exile by order of King Theodoric III, died there.

11. At Toledo in Spain, **blessed Mary of Jesus Lopez de Rivas, virgin** of the Order of Discalced Carmelites, who, both in soul and in body, shared in the sufferings of the Lord's Passion, always humble and enduring all things.

12. In the strait of Rochefort off the coast of France, on a filthy boat moored with anchors, **blessed Claude Dumonet, priest and martyr**, who, a Master of Arts, during the storms of persecution was thrown into a low ship, and, his feet bound with chains, consumed by fever, died for Christ.

13. At Almería in the region of Andalusia in Spain, **blessed Aurelio Maria (Benvenuto) Villalón Acebrón, Brother** of the Christian Schools **and martyr**, who was killed out of hatred for the Church.

September 14th

This Day, the Fourteenth Day of September

Feast of the **Exaltation of the Holy Cross**, which, on the day following the dedication of the Basilica of the Resurrection built over the tomb of Christ, is exalted and honored as the trophy and sign of His Paschal victory, destined to appear in the sky, already proclaiming to all the second coming of Him.

2. At Rome on the Appian Way in the crypt of Lucina in the cemetery of Callistus, the deposition of Saint Cornelius, pope and martyr, who firmly resisted the schism of Novatian, received many of the lapsed back into the communion of the Church with great charity; finally, having been exiled to Centumcellae by the emperor Gallus, he suffered, as Saint Cyprian says, whatever it was possible for him to suffer. His memorial is celebrated the day after tomorrow.

3. At Carthage, **the passion of Saint Cyprian, bishop**, most renowned for holiness and teaching, who, in the most disastrous times, governed the Church most excellently, strengthened the confessors of the faith in their trials, and, under the emperors Valerian and Gallienus, after a harsh exile, was ordered by the proconsul, before a very large crowd, to be struck by the sword and thus fulfilled **martyrdom**. His memorial is celebrated the day after tomorrow.

4. At Cologne in Germany, **Saint Maternus, bishop**, who led the inhabitants of Tongeren, Cologne, and Trier to the faith of Christ.
5. At Comana in Pontus, **the birth into heaven of Saint John Chrysostom, bishop**, whose memorial was recalled yesterday.
6. In the monastery of Bellevaux in the region of Besançon in France, **the passing of Saint Peter, bishop**, who, from being a Cistercian abbot, governed with fervent zeal the see of Tarentaise, to which he had been elevated, earnestly promoting peace among peoples.
7. At Ptolemais in Palestine, **Saint Albert, bishop**, who, having been transferred from the Church of Vercelli to that of Jerusalem, gave a rule to the hermits of Mount Carmel and, while celebrating the feast of the Holy Cross, was slain by the sword by a wicked man whom he had rebuked.
8. In the village of *Eben* in Tyrol, **blessed Notburga, virgin**, who, intent on her domestic duties, served Christ in the poor, offering to farmers an example of holiness.
9. At sea off Rochefort near the coast of France, **blessed Claude Laplace, priest and martyr**, who, during the French turmoil, was thrown onto a ship moored at anchor because of his priesthood, and, consumed by severe disease, fulfilled his martyrdom.
10. In the city of Chengdu in the province of *Sichuan* in China, Saint **Gabriel Taurin Dufresse, bishop and martyr**, who completed in martyrdom the active ministry to which he had dedicated forty years, by [being] beheaded.

September 15th

This Day, the Fifteenth Day of September

Memorial of the blessed **Virgin Mary of Sorrows**, who, standing beside the cross of Jesus, was most intimately and faithfully associated with the saving Passion of her Son and became the new Eve, so that, just as the disobedience of the first woman brought about death, so too her wondrous obedience would bring about life.

2. At Rome, **Saint Nicomedes, martyr**, whose body was laid to rest in the cemetery on the Via Nomentana, which Pope Boniface V honored with a sepulchral basilica.
3. At Tournus on the River Saône in the region of Lyon in France, **Saint Valerian, martyr**.
4. At Tomi in Scythia, **the holy martyrs Stratonis, Valerius, Macrobius, and Gordian**, who are said to have suffered under the emperor Licinius.
5. On the banks of the Danube, **Saint Nicetas the Goth, martyr**, who by order of the Arian king Athanaric was commanded to be burned to death because of the Catholic faith.

6. At Lyon in France, **Saint Alpinus, bishop**, who succeeded Saint Justus.
7. At Toul near Nancy, also in the region of Lyon in France, **Saint Aper, bishop**.
8. In the monastery of Jumièges in Neustria, **Saint Aichadus, abbot**, who, a disciple of Saint Philibert, was placed in charge there by him.
9. At Córdoba in the region of Andalusia in Spain, **the holy martyrs Emilas, deacon, and Jeremiah**, who, during the persecution of the Moors, after a long affliction in prison, at last fulfilled their martyrdom by the beheading of their necks for Christ.
10. At Busseto in the territory of Fidenza in Emilia, **blessed Roland de' Medici, hermit**, who lived in harsh and solitary places of the Alps with the greatest abstinence, conversing only with God.
11. At Genoa in Liguria, **Saint Catherine Fieschi, widow**, notable for her contempt of the world, frequent fasts, love of God, and charity toward the poor and the sick.
12. In the city of *Hirado* in Japan, **blessed Camillus Costanzo, priest** of the Society of Jesus **and martyr**, who, having been ordered by the supreme leader Hidetada to be burned alive, did not cease to preach Christ even on the pyre.
13. At the place called Santo Domingo Xagada in Mexico, **the blessed John the Baptist and Hyacinth of the Angels, catechists and martyrs**, who, because they refused to venerate idols in place of Christ, were cruelly beaten, imitating the Passion of Christ, and earned eternal reward.

14. At Vienna in Austria, **blessed Anthony Mary Schwartz, priest**, who, for the pastoral care of apprentices and young workers, and to defend their rights, founded *the Congregation for Christian Workers of Saint Joseph Calasanz*.

15. In the village of *Llosa de Ranes* in the region of Valencia in Spain, **blessed Paschal Penadés Jornet, priest and martyr**, who, during a time of persecution, through earthly struggle attained the fullness of eternal salvation.

16. Near Munich in Bavaria in Germany, **blessed Ladislaus Miegón, priest and martyr**, who, taken from Poland under a regime hostile to God and humanity, was detained in the concentration camp of Dachau and, because of his faith, through torment attained the glorious crown.

17. At Naples in Italy, **blessed Paul Manna, priest** of the Pontifical Institute for Foreign Missions, who, having left the missionary work in Burma due to poor health, worked greatly for the cause of evangelization and devoted himself with utmost zeal to the preaching of the word of God and the promotion of Christian unity.

September 16th

This Day, the Sixteenth Day of September

Memorial of Saints **Cornelius, pope, and Cyprian, bishop, martyrs**, whose burial and passion are commemorated on the fourteenth of September; but whom on this day, as witnesses to the love of unfailing truth in a time of trouble before the Church of God and the world, the Christian world with one voice praises.

2. At Chalcedon in Bithynia, **Saint Euphemia, virgin and martyr**, who, under Emperor Diocletian and Proconsul Priscus, after enduring many torments for Christ, was led through the contest of her struggle to the crown of glory.
3. On Mount Soracte along the Flaminian Way in Latium, **the holy martyrs Abundius and companions**.
4. At Rome on the Nomentan Way at Caprea, in the greater cemetery, **the holy martyrs Victor, Felix, Alexander, and Papias**.
5. At Nuceria of the Pagans in Campania, **Saint Priscus, bishop and martyr**, whom Saint Paulinus of Nola praised in metrical verse.
6. At Candida Casa in Scotland, **the commemoration of Saint Ninian, bishop**, who, born of British stock, led the Picts to the truth of the faith and established an episcopal see there.
7. At Córdoba in the region of Andalusia in Spain, **the holy martyrs Rogellus, an aged monk, and Servideus ('Abdallah), a youth**, who, being from the East, boldly preached Christ before the Saracen people and, being condemned to death, suffered without sorrow, their hands and feet cut off, and finally beheaded, they collapsed.
8. At Prague in Bohemia, **Saint Ludmilla, martyr**, a duchess of Bohemia, who was entrusted with the education of her grandson, Saint Wenceslaus, into whose soul she sought to instill the love of Christ, and who, through the conspiracy of her daughter-in-law Drahomira and pagan nobles, was strangled.

9. At Wilton in England, **Saint Edith, virgin**, daughter of the king of the English, who, dedicated to God from her earliest years in a monastery, ignored rather than renounced this world.

10. At Monte Cassino, **the passing of blessed Pope Victor III**, who wisely governed the celebrated monastery for thirty years and enriched it greatly, and afterward was entrusted with the governance of the Roman Church.

11. At Savigny in Normandy, France, **Saint Vitalis, abbot**, who, having laid aside secular offices, embraced a stricter observance of religious life in deserted places and gathered many into the monasteries he founded.

12. In the monastery of Huerta in Castile, Spain, **the passing of Saint Martin, surnamed “the Priest,”** who, having been a Cistercian abbot, was ordained **bishop** of Sigüenza, where he directed all his efforts to reforming the clergy, and afterward withdrew again into the same monastery.

13. At Salles in the region of Provence in France, **the passing of blessed Louis Aleman, bishop** of Arles, who chose a life of outstanding piety and penance.

14. At Nagasaki in Japan, **the blessed martyrs Dominic Shobioye, Michael Timonoya, and his son Paul**, who were beheaded for the faith.

15. At Lima in Peru, **Saint John Macias, religious** of the Order of Preachers, who for a long time performed humble duties, diligently cared for the poor and the sick, and constantly prayed the Rosary for the souls of the departed.

16. At Sai-Nam-Hte in Korea, **the passion of Saint Andrew Kim Taegon, priest and martyr**, who, having devoted himself for two years with great zeal to the

priestly ministry, was beheaded and suffered a glorious martyrdom; his memory is recalled on the twentieth of September.

17. At the town of Odena in the region of Barcelona in Spain, **blessed Ignatius Casanovas, priest** of the Order of Clerics Regular of the Pious Schools **and martyr**, who was killed for Christ during the time of persecution.

18. In the town of Turís in the region of Valencia, also in Spain, **the blessed martyrs Laurian (Salvador) Ferrer Cardet, priest, Benedict (Manuel) Ferrer Jordá, and Bernardino (Paul) Martínez Robles, religious** of the Third Order of Saint Francis of the Capuchin branch of the blessed Virgin of Sorrows, who, during the same persecution, were killed by men, but were raised by God to the heavenly kingdom.

September 17th

This Day, the Seventeenth Day of September

Saint Robert Bellarmine, bishop and doctor of the Church, of the Society of Jesus, who brilliantly engaged the theological controversies of his time with a distinct and subtle manner of argumentation; appointed a cardinal, he dedicated himself greatly to pastoral ministry in the Church of Capua, and finally at Rome undertook many labors for the defense of the Apostolic See and the doctrine of the faith.

2. At Milan in Liguria, **the burial of Saint Satyrus**, whose outstanding merits are commemorated by his brother, Saint Ambrose. Not yet initiated into the mysteries of Christ, when he suffered shipwreck, he did not fear death, but, lest he depart from life lacking the mysteries, having been saved from the waves, he sought out the Church of God; he was joined to his brother Ambrose by deep and mutual affection, and was buried by him beside the holy martyr Victor.
3. At Liège in Austrasia, **the passion of Saint Lambert, bishop of Maastricht and martyr**, who, having been exiled, withdrew to the monastery of Stavelot; later, his see having been restored, he fulfilled his pastoral office with distinction and, though innocent, was killed by the envious.
4. In the forest of the Argonne by the river Meuse in Austrasia, **Saint Rodingus, abbot**, who founded the monastery of Beaulieu and governed it devoutly.
5. At Córdoba in the region of Vandalic Spain, **Saint Columba, virgin and martyr**, who, during the persecution by the Moors, voluntarily professed her faith before the judge and the assembly of governors, and was immediately beheaded by the sword in front of the palace gates.
6. At Mélin within the borders of Anjou in France, **Saint Reginald, hermit**, who withdrew to the forest of Craon to fulfill more perfectly the precepts of the Lord.
7. In the monastery of Mount Saint Rupert near Bingen in Hesse, **Saint Hildegard, virgin**, who, skilled in natural science, medicine, and musical art, devoutly expressed and described in writings what she had experienced through mystical contemplation.

8. At Avigliana in the territory of Turin in the Subalpine region, **blessed Cherubino Testa, priest** of the Order of Hermits of Saint Augustine, very devoted to the Lord's Passion.
9. At Zaragoza in Aragon, Spain, **Saint Peter of Arbués, priest and martyr**, a canon regular of the Order of Saint Augustine, who labored against superstitions and heresies in the kingdom of Aragon and was struck down before the altar of the cathedral church by some of the accused.
10. At Hué in Vietnam (Vietnam), **Saint Emmanuel Nguyễn Văn Triệu, priest and martyr**, under the rule of lord Cảnh Thịnh.
11. At Genoa in Liguria, **Saint Francis Mary of Camporosso, religious** of the Order of Friars Minor Capuchin, remarkable for his charity toward the poor, who, during a plague, offered himself as a victim for the salvation of others and was himself stricken with the disease.
12. At Kraków in Poland, **blessed Zygmunt Szczęsny Feliński, bishop** of Warsaw, who, amid great misfortunes, worked for the liberty and renewal of the Church and founded *the Congregation of the Franciscan Sisters of the Family of Mary* for the needs of the people.
13. In the village of Castillo de Villamalefa near Castellón in Spain, **blessed Juan Ventura Solsona, priest and martyr**, who, during a fierce persecution, unwavering in the constancy of faith, passed on to heavenly glory.
14. Also at Madrid in Spain, **blessed Timoteo Valero Pérez, priest** of the Third Order of Saint Francis of the Capuchins of the Sorrowful blessed Virgin **and martyr**, who, in the same period, fought an excellent contest for Christ.

15. In the forest of Palmiry near Warsaw in Poland, **blessed Zygmunt Sajna, priest and martyr**, who, during the war, because he had not at all renounced faith in God before a hostile foreign regime, was pierced through with bullets.

September 18th

This Day, the Eighteenth Day of September

- 1.** At Nicomedia in Bithynia, **Saint Oceanus, martyr**.
- 2.** At Prymnessus in Phrygia, **Saint Ariadne, martyr**.
- 3.** In a district of France of Vienne, **Saint Ferreolus, martyr**, who, as it is reported, since he held the office of tribune, refused to arrest Christians at the time of the persecution; for which reason, having been arrested by order of the governor, he was most cruelly beaten and thrust into prison; whence having escaped, but again captured by pursuers, he received the palm of martyrdom by beheading.
- 4.** At Milan in Liguria, **Saint Eustorgius, bishop**, whose confession of the true faith against the error of the Arians is praised by Saint Athanasius.
- 5.** At Avranches on the coast of Lesser Britain, **Saint Senarius, bishop**.
- 6.** At Limoges in Aquitaine, **Saint Ferreolus, bishop**, who delivered Marcus, chancellor of King Childebert, whom the people of the city wished to kill, from imminent danger.

7. At Gortyna on the island of Crete, **Saint Eumenius, bishop**.
8. At Andlau in Alsace, Lorraine, **Saint Richardis**, who, being **queen**, despising the earthly kingdom, served God in the monastery founded by herself.
9. At Osimo in Piceno of Italy, **Saint Joseph of Cupertino, priest** of the Order of Friars Minor Conventual, notable before God for poverty, humility, and charity toward the poor amid the difficult circumstances of life.
10. In the city of *Nam Định* in Tonkin, **Saint Dominic Trách, priest** of the Order of Preachers **and martyr**, who under the emperor Minh Mạng chose rather to die than to trample on the cross, and completed his martyrdom by beheading.
11. In the village of *Paimol* near the mission of Kalongo in Uganda, **blessed David Okelo and Gildo Irwa, catechists and martyrs**, who, since they freely labored to hand on the Gospel to their people, were pierced with lances by local pagans and manifested the power of Christ in fearless martyrdom.
12. At Ciudad Real in Spain, **blessed Charles Eraña Guruceta, religious** of the Society of Mary **and martyr**, who, while violence against priests and religious was raging, was seized by militiamen and killed without trial by bullets.
13. Near the city of Gandía in the Valencian region likewise in Spain, **blessed Ferdinand García Sendra and Joseph García Mas, priests and martyrs**, who in the time of the same persecution confirmed their faithfulness to the Lord by their blood.

14. At Montserrat in the same region of Spain, **the blessed martyrs Ambrose (Salvador) Chuliá Ferrandis and Valentine (Vincent) Jaunzarás Gómez, priests, and Francis (Justus) Lerma Martínez, Richard (Joseph) López Mora, and Modest (Vincent) Gay Zarzo, religious** of the Third Order of Saint Francis of the Capuchin Fathers of the blessed Virgin of Sorrows, who in the same period were crowned [with martyrdom] for their witness to Christ.

15. In the internment camp of Dachau near Munich in Bavaria, Germany, **blessed Joseph Kut, priest and martyr**, who, of Polish origin, during the raging war was confined because of the faith in cruel imprisonment and, afflicted by dreadful tortures, passed to the Lord.

September 19th

This Day, the Nineteenth Day of September

Saint **Januarius, bishop of Benevento and martyr**, who, at the time of the persecutions against the faith, suffered for Christ at Puteoli near Naples in Campania.

2. At Synnada in Phrygia, **Saint Trophimus, martyr**.

3. In Palestine, **the holy martyrs Peleus and Nilus, bishops** in Egypt, **Elia the priest, and Patermuthius**, who, at the time of the persecution of the emperor Diocletian, along with many clerics, were burned with fire for Christ.

4. At Tours in the region of Lyon in France, **Saint Eustochius, bishop**, who, from a senatorial order, a holy and religious man, succeeded Saint Brictius.
5. In the monastery of Sistarcius near Langres likewise in France, **Saint Sequanus, priest and abbot**.
6. In the territory of Bourges in Aquitaine, **Saint Marianus, hermit**, whose food was wild fruits and honey, found by chance.
7. At Metz in Austrasia, **Saint Goeric, also called Abbo, bishop**, who succeeded Saint Arnulf and reverently transferred his body to this city.
8. At Canterbury in England, **Saint Theodore, bishop**, who, a monk of Tarsus, was raised to the episcopate by Saint Pope Vitalian and sent to England when nearly seventy years old, and with steadfast spirit governed the Church entrusted to him.
9. At Cordoba in Andalusia, in the region of Spain, **Saint Pomposa, virgin and martyr**, who, during the persecution of the Moors, when she had heard of the martyrdom of Saint Columba, secretly went out from the monastery of Peñamelaria and, at Cordoba, having fearlessly confessed Christ before the judge, was immediately beheaded by the sword before the palace gates and attained the palm [of martyrdom].
10. At Freising in Bavaria, **Saint Lambert, bishop**.
11. At Bonivicina near Cosenza in Calabria, **Saint Cyriacus, abbot**.

12. At Gap in the Province of France, **Saint Arnulf, bishop**, who endured many things for the restoration of the right form of life of the Church.

13. At Barcelona in Catalonia in the region of Spain, **Saint Mary of Cervelló, virgin** of the Order of the blessed Virgin Mary of Mercy, who, because of the help given to those who invoked her, was popularly called Mary of Help.

14. At Madrid in Spain, **Saint Alphonsus of Orozco, priest** of the Order of Hermits of Saint Augustine, who, appointed to preaching at the royal court, showed himself austere and humble.

15. At Seoul in Korea, **the passion of Saint Charles Hyon Song-mun, martyr**, who, as a **catechist**, in order to bring missionaries into his country, undertook long and difficult journeys; finally, having been handed over to prison with other Christians, never ceased to exhort his companions, and was beheaded for Christ.

16. At Villefranche in the region of Rodez in France, **Saint Mary William Emilia de Rodat, virgin**, who founded *the Congregation of the Sisters of the Holy Family* for the instruction of girls and relief of the needy.

17. At the place Ciempozuelos near Madrid in Spain, **blessed Hyacinth Hoyuelos Gonzalez, religious** of the Order of Saint John of God **and martyr**, who, during the devastation of the persecution against the Church, completed a glorious martyrdom by confessing Christ.

18. At the village of Benifaió in the region of Valencia also in Spain, **blessed Francisca Cualladó Baixauli, virgin and martyr**, who in the same persecution against the faith poured out her blood for Christ.

19. At Madrid likewise in Spain, **the blessed Mary of Jesus de la Iglesia y de Varo, Mary of Sorrows, and Consolata Aguiar-Mella y Diaz, virgins** of the Institute of the Daughters of Mary of the Pious Schools **and martyrs**, who were crowned on account of their witness to Christ.

September 20th

This Day, the Twentieth Day of September

Memorial of the holy martyrs **Andrew Kim Tae-gon, priest, Paul Chong Ha-sang, and their companions**, ¹⁰ martyrs in Korea, ten of whom are commemorated on this day in a common celebration; however, **all one hundred and three martyrs are also venerated**, who in Korea bore fearless witness to the Christian faith, which had first been fervently introduced into this kingdom by certain laypeople, then nourished and strengthened through the preaching of missionaries and the celebration of the sacraments. All these athletes of Christ—three of them bishops, eight priests, and the rest laypeople, whether married or not, old men, young men, and children—suffered execution and with their precious blood consecrated the beginnings of the Church in Korea.

2. At Synnada in Phrygia, **Saint Dorymedon, martyr**.

3. At Rome, **the commemoration of Saint Eustace, martyr**, whose name is honored in an ancient diaconia of the city.

4. At Constantinople, **the holy martyrs Hypatius and Asias, bishops, and Andrew, priest**, who, because of their veneration of sacred Images, under the emperor Leo the Isaurian, after harsh and grievous tortures, were thrown to be eaten by dogs.
5. At the town of Arco in the region of Trentino, **blessed Adelprectus, bishop**, who, a vigorous protector of the poor and of orphans and a defender of the freedom of the Church, was drawn into an ambush by enemies and cruelly struck down and died.
6. At London in England, **blessed Thomas Johnson, priest** of the Carthusian monastery of this city **and martyr**, who, under King Henry the Eighth, for maintaining fidelity to the Church, imprisoned in Newgate with some of his fellow brothers, perished from hunger and disease.
7. At Cordoba in Spain, **blessed Francis of Posadas, priest** of the Order of Preachers, who, distinguished for his penance, humility, and charity, preached Christ in that region for forty years.
8. At the fortress of Son-Tây in Tonkin, **Saint John Charles Cornay, priest** of the Paris Foreign Missions Society **and martyr**, who, on account of his confession of the Christian faith, after cruel tortures, was dismembered by order of Emperor Minh Mạng and finally beheaded.
9. At Seoul in Korea, **the holy martyrs Lawrence Han I-hyong, catechist, and six companions**,¹¹ who in various prisons were strangled by the noose and underwent martyrdom for Christ. Their memory is celebrated today together with the other martyrs of these regions.

10. At Puebla in Mexico, **blessed Joseph Mary de Yermo y Parres, priest**, who founded *the Congregation of the Servants of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Poor* to help the abandoned in the needs of both soul and body.

September 21st

This Day, the Twenty-first Day of September

Feast of **Saint Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist**, who, called Levi, was summoned by Jesus to follow him, left behind his office as publican or tax collector, and, having been chosen among the Apostles, composed the Gospel in which Jesus Christ, Son of David, Son of Abraham, is especially proclaimed to have fulfilled the Old Testament.

2. Commemoration of Saint Jonah, prophet, son of Amathi, whose name entitles a book of the Old Testament, and whose famous emergence from the belly of the sea monster is recounted in the very Gospel as a sign of the Lord's Resurrection.

3. In Greece, **the commemoration of Saint Quadratus**, disciple of the Apostles, who, as is reported, during the persecution of the emperor Hadrian, when the Church had been scattered by terror, gathered it together by his faith and zeal, and presented to that same emperor a book in defense of the Christian religion marked by apostolic doctrine.

4. At Rome on the Old Salarian Way, **Saint Pamphilus, martyr**.

5. At Baccanas on the Cassian Way, at the twentieth milestone from the city of Rome, **Saint Alexander, martyr**.

6. At Gaza in Palestine, **the holy martyrs Eusebius, Nestabus, and Zeno, brothers**, who, in the time of the emperor Julian the Apostate, were seized and killed by a mob of pagans. **Saint Nestor also suffered with them**, who, having received wounds, completed his martyrdom a little later.

7. At Apta Iulia in Provence, **Saint Castor, bishop**, who, desiring that the monastic life be explained to the brethren in a newly established monastery, asked Saint John Cassian to transmit the excellent conferences of the Egyptian ascetics.

8. In the monastery of Llantwit Major (Lancarvan) in southern Wales, **Saint Cadoc, abbot**, in whose name also several monasteries were founded in Cornwall and Brittany.

9. In the monastery of Ettenheimmünster in the region of Baden, **Saint Landelin, monk**, born in Ireland.

10. At Tronchiennes in Flanders of Austrasia, **Saint Gerulph, martyr**, a young man.

11. At Troyes on the Seine in France, **Saint Maura, virgin**, constant in works of piety and charity.

12. At Pesaro in Picenum of Italy, **blessed Mark of Modena Scalabrini, priest** of the Order of Preachers, who was able to lead many who had gone astray back to the way of righteousness.

13. At the fortress of *Quảng-Trị* in Vietnam, **the holy martyrs Francis Jaccard, priest** of the Paris Foreign Missions Society, **and Thomas Trần Văn Thiện**, who, under the emperor Minh Mạng, endured prison and beatings for Christ and were finally strangled by the noose.

14. At *Sai-Nam-Hte* in Korea, **the passion of the holy martyrs Lawrence Imbert, bishop, and Peter Maubant and James Chastan, priests** of the Paris Foreign Missions Society, who, to preserve the lives of Christians, surrendered themselves to the officers and were slain by the sword.

15. In the village of *Benisoda* in the region of Valencia in Spain, **the blessed martyrs Vincent Galbis Girones, a father of a family, and Emmanuel Torre Garcia**, who, conformed to the Passion of Christ, imitated him whom they worshipped in the triumph of martyrdom.

September 22nd

This Day, the Twenty-second Day of September

1. At Rome, in the cemetery of Commodilla on the Ostian Way, **the commemoration of Saint Emerita, martyr.**

2. At Agaunum in the region of Valais among the Helvetians, **the holy martyrs Maurice, Exsuperius, and Candidus, soldiers**, who, as Saint Eucherius of Lyon relates, **together with companions of the same Theban Legion and Victor the veteran**, were slain for Christ under the emperor Maximian, and by their glorious passion enlightened the Church.

3. At Rome on the Old Salarian Way, **the burial of Saint Basilia, martyr**, under the emperors Diocletian and Maximian.
4. In the village of Lurais in the territory of Bourges in Aquitaine, **Saint Silvanus, hermit**.
5. On Mount Glonne at the Loire River in the region of Poitiers in France, **Saint Florentius, priest**.
6. In the territory of Coutances in France, **Saint Laudus**, also called Lauto, **bishop**.
7. At Laon in Neustria, **Saint Salaberga, abbess**, whom, being blind, Saint Columbanus is said to have healed and directed toward the service of God.
8. At Regensburg in Bavaria, **Saint Emmeram, bishop**, who was killed for the faith of Christ.
9. In the Cistercian monastery of Morimond in France, **the passing of blessed Otto, bishop** of Freising, who died in the monastic habit which he had never laid aside during his episcopacy.
10. At Turin in the Subalpine region, **Saint Ignatius of Santhià (Lorenzo Maurizio) Belvisotti, priest** of the Order of Friars Minor Capuchin, devoted to hearing the confessions of penitents and assisting the sick.

11. At sea off the coast of Rochefort in France, **blessed Joseph Marchandon, priest and martyr**, who, during the turmoil of the French Revolution, was cast into a diseased prison ship because of his priesthood and, consumed by hunger and illness, departed to the Father.

12. At Seoul in Korea, **the passion of Saints Paul Chong Ha-sang and Augustine Yu Chin-gil, martyrs**, of whom the former led the first Christian community for twenty years during a time of persecution, and the latter wrote letters to Pope Gregory XVI asking him to send priests to Korea; **both catechists**, after cruel tortures, were beheaded for the faith.

13. At Montserrat in Spain, **blessed Charles Navarro, priest** of the Order of Clerics Regular of the Pious Schools **and martyr**, who, during the persecution against religious, was crowned with illustrious martyrdom.

14. In the same place, **blessed Germán Gozalvo Andreu, priest and martyr**, who, in the same persecution, was crowned for his witness to Christ.

15. At Alzira in the region of Valencia also in Spain, **the blessed martyrs Vincent Pelufo Corts, priest, and Josephine Moscardó Montalvá, virgin**, who, during the same persecution against the faith, merited to bear the palm of victory before almighty God.

16. In the village of Bolbaite also in the region of Valencia, **blessed Vincent Sicluna Hernández, priest and martyr**, killed in the same period.

17. In the village of Corbera near Valencia also in Spain, **blessed Mary of the Purification Vidal Pastor, virgin and martyr**, who merited to enter the eternal wedding feast with Christ her Spouse.

September 23rd

This Day, the Twenty-third Day of September

Saint Pius of Pietrelcina (**Francesco Forgione**), priest of the Order of Friars Minor Capuchin, who in the friary of the small town At San Giovanni Rotondo in Apulia, devoted himself intensely to the spiritual direction of the faithful and the reconciliation of penitents, with such provident care for the needy and the poor that, conformed truly to the crucified Christ, he completed his earthly pilgrimage on this day.

2. Commemoration of Saints Zechariah and Elizabeth, parents of blessed John the Baptist, the Precursor of the Lord. Elizabeth, when she received Mary her kinswoman into her house, was filled with the Holy Spirit and greeted the Mother of the Lord as blessed among women. Zechariah, a priest, filled with the prophetic spirit, praised God the Redeemer at the birth of his son and proclaimed the nearness of Christ's coming, the rising from on high.

3. At Rome, commemoration of Saint Linus, Pope, to whom, as Saint Irenaeus recounts, the blessed Apostles entrusted the care of the episcopate of the Church in the City, and whom blessed Paul the Apostle mentions as his companion.

4. At Miseno in Campania, Saint Sosius, deacon and martyr, who, as Pope Saint Symmachus recounts, desiring to deliver his bishop from death, suffered execution with him and attained equal glory at the same cost.

5. At Ancona in Picenum of Italy, **commemoration of Saint Constantius, a church sacristan**, more notable for his humility than for the grace of miracles.
6. On the island of Iona in Scotland, **Saint Adamnan, priest and abbot**, a man excellently instructed in the knowledge of the Scriptures and most devoted to unity and peace, who persuaded many both in Scotland and in Ireland by his preaching to adopt the Roman custom for the celebration of Easter.
7. In Africa, **the holy martyrs Andrew, John, Peter, and Anthony**, who, having been captured at Syracuse, were taken away by the Moors and subjected to torments.
8. At Venice, **blessed Peter Acotanto, monk**, who humbly refused the office of abbot and preferred to live a recluse life in the cloister.
9. At Bologna in Emilia, **blessed Elena Duglioli Dall'Olio**, who, after living in remarkable concord with her husband, led an exemplary life after becoming a widow.
10. At Tlaxcala in Mexico, **the blessed martyrs Cristóbal, Antonio, and Juan**, who, during the first evangelization of the Americas, joyfully adhered to the Christian faith, for which they were put to death by their fellow citizens.
11. At Marieville in the province of Quebec, Canada, **blessed Marie-Émilie Tavernier, religious**, who, after the death of her husband and sons, devoted herself to the care of the poor and founded *the Congregation of the Sisters of Providence* for the service of orphans, the elderly, and the mentally ill.

12. At *Kingston-on-Thames* in England, **blessed William Way, priest and martyr**, who, under Queen Elizabeth I, was condemned to death for having entered England as a priest and was hanged.

13. At *Benissa* in the province of Valencia in Spain, **blessed Vicente Ballester Far, priest and martyr**, who, during the time of persecution, fought a noble battle for Christ.

14. At *Benicalap* in the same province of Spain, **the blessed martyrs Sofía Ximénez Ximénez, mother of a family; María of the Purification of Saint Joseph Ximénez; and María Josefa del Río Mesa, virgins** of the Institute of the Carmelite Sisters of Charity, who were led through the contest of martyrdom to abundant glory.

15. At Krakow in Poland, **blessed Bernardyna Jablonska, virgin**, foundress of the Congregation of the Sisters Servants of the Poor, who was always attentive to the poor and the sick.

16. At Warsaw also in Poland, **blessed Józef Stanek, priest** of the Society of the Catholic Apostolate **and martyr**, who, during wartime, was hanged by persecutors of the faith and fulfilled his martyrdom through the torment of the gallows.

September 24th

This Day, the Twenty-fourth Day of September

1. At Milan in Transpadane, **Saint Anatolius**, who is believed to have been the first **bishop** of this city.
2. At Saulieu in the region of Autun in Farnce, **the holy martyrs Andochius, Thyrsus, and Felix**.
3. At Clermont in Aquitaine, **Saint Rusticus, bishop**, who, already a presbyter in the same city, received the honor of the episcopate, with the rejoicing of the people.
4. At Lyon in Farnce, **Saint Lupus, bishop**, who had formerly lived as a hermit.
5. At Marseille in Provence, **Saint Isarnus, abbot**, who, austere toward himself but gentle and peaceable toward others, renewed the regular life in the monastery of Saint Victor.
6. In Pannonia, **Saint Gerard Sagredo, bishop** of the see of Csanád **and martyr**, who was the teacher of the young prince Saint Emeric, son of King Saint Stephen, and during a revolt of pagan Hungarians near the river Danube was beaten to death with stones.
7. At Girona in Catalonia of Spain, **blessed Dalmatius Moner, priest** of the Order of Preachers, remarkable for his love of solitude and silence.
8. At York in England, **the blessed martyrs William Spenser, priest, and Robert Hardesty**, who, under Queen Elizabeth I, were condemned to death; the former because he was a priest, the latter because he received him into his house, and were hanged.

9. At Nagasaki in Japan, **Saint Anthony Gonzalez, priest** of the Order of Preachers **and martyr**, who, sent to Japan with five companions and shortly afterward detained in chains, was twice tortured by water and, seized by fever, preceded the others in death under the supreme ruler Tokugawa Yemitsu.
10. At San Severino in Piceno of Italy, **Saint Pacificus** of San Severino, **priest** of the Order of Friars Minor, outstanding for his penances, his love of solitude, and his prayer before the Most Blessed Sacrament.
11. At Maribor in Slovenia, **blessed Anthony Martin Slomsek, bishop**, who took great care for the Christian life of families and the formation of the clergy, and strove with all his strength for the unity of the Church.
12. At Rome, **blessed Columba (Joanna) Gabriel, abbess**, who presided over the monastery of Lviv but, unjustly slandered, went to Rome, where, living in poverty and joy, she founded *the Congregation of Benedictine Sisters of Charity*, as well as the social work called *the House of the Family*, for poor working girls or those far from their families.
13. In the village of *Abalat de la Ribera* in the region of Valencia in Spain, **blessed Joseph Raymond Paschal Ferrer Botella, priest and martyr**, who suffered martyrdom during the persecution against the faith.
14. In the village of *Rotgla y Corbera* in the same region of Spain, **blessed Joseph Mary Ferrandiz Hernandez, priest and martyr**, who, in the time of the same persecution, completed the struggle for the faith.
15. In the town of *Olleria*, also in the region of Valencia, **blessed Incarnation Gil Valls, virgin and martyr**, who, bearing a shining lamp, fearlessly went forth to meet Christ the Bridegroom.

16. At Alzira in the same region of Spain, **blessed Joseph Raymond Ferragud Girbes, martyr, a father of a family**, who fell as a victim of the persecutors of the faith for Christ.

September 25th

This Day, the Twenty-fifth Day of September

1. Commemoration of Saint Cleopas, disciple of the Lord, whose heart burned while he was journeying with another disciple and Christ appeared to them on the evening of Easter, opening the Scriptures to them along the way, and who recognized the Savior in the breaking of the bread at the village of Emmaus.

2. At Amiens in Belgic France, **Saint Firmin**, who is honored as **bishop** and martyr.

3. At Damascus in Syria, **the holy martyrs Paul and Tatia, husband and wife, and their sons Sabinian, Maximus, Rufus, and Eugenius**, who, accused of the Christian religion, were tortured by beatings and other torments and gave back their souls to God.

4. At Chartres in the region of Lyon in France, **Saint Solemnis, bishop**.

5. At Soissons in Belgic France, **Saint Principius, bishop**, brother of Saint Remigius.

6. At Cork in Munster of Ireland, **Saint Finbarr, bishop**.
7. At Auxerre in Neustria, **Saint Aunacharius, bishop**, during whose tenure the document called the *Hieronymian Martyrology* was completed.
8. At Cusance in the region of Besançon in Neustria, **Saint Ermenfrid, abbot**.
9. In the monastery of the Most Holy Trinity in the region of Moscow in Russia, **Saint Sergius of Radonezh**, who at first lived as a hermit in wild forests, then embraced the cenobitic life and, having been elected abbot, propagated it; a gentle man, counselor of princes, and consoler of the faithful.
10. In the *Alpujarras* Mountains near Granada in the region of Andalusia in Spain, **blessed Mark Criado, priest** of the Order of the Most Holy Trinity for the Redemption of Captives **and martyr**, killed by the Moors.
11. In the town of *Carrión de Calatrava* near Ciudad Real, also in Spain, **the blessed martyrs John Peter (Joseph) Bengoa Aranguren, priest, and Paul Mary (Peter) Leoz y Portillo, religious** of the Congregation of the Passion, **and Jesus Hita Miranda, religious** of the Society of Mary, who, during a raging persecution, out of hatred for the Church were killed by gunfire by militiamen.

September 26th

This Day, the Twenty-sixth Day of September

Saints **Cosmas and Damian, martyrs**, who are said to have practiced medicine at Cyrrhus in Euphratensis without accepting any payment, and many were healed by their free treatments.

2. The commemoration of Saint Gideon, of the tribe of Manasseh, who was a judge in Israel and, having received from the Lord the sign of dew descending on the fleece, in the strength of God destroyed the altar of Baal and delivered the people of Israel from the hand of their enemies.

3. At Albano in Latium, Saint Senator, martyr.

4. At Bologna in Emilia, the commemoration of Saint Eusebius, bishop, who, together with Saint Ambrose, contended for the Catholic faith against the Arians and devoted great effort to the promotion of virginity among young women.

5. At Gaeta in Latium, Saint Stephen of Rossano, monk, companion of Saint Nilus the Younger.

6. In the countryside of Tusculum near Rome, Saint Nilus the Younger, abbot, who, of Greek origin, sought the habit of holy living and, devoted to abstinence, humility, and pilgrimage, was renowned for the gift of prophecy and the teaching of wisdom. Following the norms of the Eastern Fathers, he founded the celebrated monastery of Cryptae Ferratae, where, in his nineties, he gave his spirit to God in the oratory.

7. At Salerno in Campania, blessed Lucia of Calata Jero, virgin of the Third Order Regular of Saint Francis.

8. At Seoul in Korea, **the passion of Saints Sebastian Nam I-gwan and nine companions, twelve martyrs**,¹² who were beheaded for the Christian faith after terrible tortures. **Also commemorated are the holy martyrs Lucia Kim, Catherine Yi, a widow, and her daughter, Magdalena Cho, a virgin**, who died in prison at an unknown date this month, having suffered for Christ.

9. At Lyon in France, **Saint Thérèse (Marie-Victorie) Couderc, virgin**, who, not without great tribulation but with a serene spirit, founded *the Society of Our Lady of the Retreat in the Cenacle* at the village of La Louvesc, near the tomb of Saint John Francis Regis.

10. At the village of *Gars* near Munich in Bavaria, Germany, **blessed Gaspar Stanggassinger, priest** of the Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer, who, devoted to the education of youth, offered them a joyful example of charity and continual prayer.

11. At the city of *Los Reyes* in Peru, **blessed Aloysius Tezza, priest** of the Order of Clerics Regular Ministers to the Sick, who, to serve God among the sick, founded *the Congregation of the Daughters of Saint Camillus* and wisely directed it toward many works of charity.

12. At Valencia in Spain, **blessed Mary of Refuge (Teresa) Rosat Balasch and Mary of Calvary (Josepha) Romero Clariana, virgins** of the Congregation of Christian Doctrine **and martyrs**, who, during a time of persecution, were cast into prison for their fidelity to Christ the Bridegroom and were at last put to death.

13. In the same place, **blessed Raphael Pardo Molina, religious** of the Order of Preachers **and martyr**, who perished during the persecution against the faith. **With him is also commemorated blessed Joseph Mary Vidal Seguí, priest** of the same Order **and martyr**, who, for his tireless testimony of faith, was received into glory in Christ at Barcelona.

14. At the village of *Puerto de Canals* in the Valencian region of Spain, **blessed Crescentia Valls Espí, virgin and martyr**, who suffered martyrdom during the persecution against the faith.

15. At the village of *Benifairó de la Valldigna* in the same region of Spain, **blessed Mary of Oblivion Noguera Albelda, virgin and martyr**, who, at the time of the same persecution, completed her martyrdom for the faith.

16. At the village of *Gilet* also in the Valencian region, **blessed Bonaventure (Julius) Esteve Flors, priest** of the Order of Friars Minor Capuchin **and martyr**, who, in the same period, went to the Lord by the hands of the enemies of the faith.

17. At the village of *Benifallim* in the Lucentine region of Spain, **blessed Mary Jorda Botella, virgin and martyr**, who fought a noble contest for Christ.

18. At Madrid in Spain, **blessed Leo (Emmanuel) Legua Martí, priest** of the Third Order of Saint Francis of the Capuchin Sisters of the Sorrowful Virgin Mary, **and martyr**, who, at the same time of persecution, obtained the glorious crown.

September 27th

This Day, the Twenty-seventh Day of September

Memorial of **Saint Vincent de Paul, priest**, who, full of priestly spirit, devoted himself to the poor in Paris in France, and in the face of anyone suffering, recognized the

countenance of his Lord; to restore the model of the early Church, to form the clergy in holiness, and to assist the poor, he founded *the Congregation of the Mission*, and, with the cooperation of Saint Louise de Marillac, also *the Congregation of the Daughters of Charity*.

2. At Milan in Transpadane Italy, **Saint Caius, bishop**.

3. At Sedunum fortress among the Aedui in France, **Saint Florentinus**, who is said to have been wounded by the sword of the Vandals together with Saint Hilary.

4. In the monastery of Liessies in Hainaut of Austrasia, **Saint Hiltrude, virgin**, who, hidden away with her brother Abbot Gunthard, lived a most devout life.

5. At Córdoba in the region of Vandalic Spain, **the holy martyrs Adolphus and John**, who, being **brothers**, were crowned with martyrdom for Christ during the persecution of the Moors in the time of King ‘Abd ar-Rahman II.

6. At Fara near Cingoli in Picenum of Italy, **Saint Bonfilius**, formerly bishop of Foligno, who, after spending ten years in the Holy Land, returned to Italy to become a monk in the monastery of Storace, where he had earlier served as abbot, and at last died in solitude.

7. At Paris in France, **Saint Elzéar of Sabran**, who, as Count of Ariano, preserved virginity with blessed Delphina his wife and all virtues, and died still in the bloom of youth.

8. At Pistoia in Etruria, **blessed Laurence of Ripafratta, priest** of the Order of Preachers, who faithfully observed the regular life for sixty years and was devoted to hearing the confessions of sinners.

9. On a filthy ship chained at anchor near Rochefort on the coast of France, **blessed John Baptist Laborier du Vivier, deacon and martyr**, who, during the persecution of the Church, was condemned to harsh captivity because of his clerical state, and worn out by serious illness, passed away.

10. At Sagunto in Spain, **the blessed martyrs Joseph Fenollosa Alcayna, priest, and Fidel (Marian) Climent Sánchez, religious** of the Order of Friars Minor Capuchin, who, while the persecution against the faith was raging, shed their blood for Christ.

11. In the village of *Gilet* in the Valencian region of Spain likewise, **the blessed martyrs Francisca Xavier (Maria) Fenollosa Alcayna, religious** of the Third Order of the Capuchin Sisters of the Holy Family, **and Herminia Martínez Amigó, a mother of a family**, who, in the same period, confirmed their fidelity to the Lord with their blood.

September 28th

This Day, the Twenty-eight Day of September

Saint Wenceslaus, martyr, who, as duke of the Bohemians, instructed in divine and human wisdom by his grandmother Saint Ludmila, was austere with himself, peaceful in governing the kingdom, and merciful toward the poor. He redeemed in groups the pagan slaves of Prague so that they might be baptized. After enduring many hardships in ruling his subjects and forming them in the faith, he was betrayed by his brother Boleslaus and killed by assassins in the church at Stará Boleslav in Bohemia.

Saints **Lawrence of Manila Ruiz and fifteen companions,** ¹³
martyrs, who, some priests, some religious, and others laymen,
after spreading the Christian faith through the Philippine,
Formosan, and Japanese islands, were, by decree of the supreme ruler
Tokugawa Iemitsu, martyred on different days in Nagasaki in Japan for
the love of Christ, but are commemorated together in a single
celebration.

3. At Calydon in Pisidia, **the holy brothers Alpheus, Alexander, and Zosimus,**
martyrs.

4. At the Old Laura near Bethlehem in Palestine, **Saint Chariton, abbot**, who,
assiduous in prayer and fasting, founded several lauras in the desert.

5. At Bologna in Emilia, **Saint Zama**, who is held to be the first **bishop** of that
city.

6. At Toulouse in Aquitaine, **Saint Exuperius, bishop**, who dedicated a basilica
in honor of Saint Saturninus and, when barbarians invaded, proved himself a
vigorous defender of his city. Saint Jerome reports how sparing he was toward
himself, yet how generous he was toward others.

7. At Bethlehem of Judea, **the commemoration of Saint Eustochium, virgin**,
who, **with her mother Saint Paula**, set out from the city of Rome to the Lord's
manger so as not to lack the guidance of her teacher Saint Jerome, and there,
shining with outstanding merits, departed to the Lord.

8. At Geneva among the Helvetians, **Saint Salonius, bishop**, who first lived a monastic life on the island of Lérins and then, having become a bishop, upheld the doctrine of Pope Saint Leo the Great and explained the Sacred Scriptures mystically.

9. At Riez in the region of Provence in France, **Saint Faustus, bishop**, formerly abbot of Lérins, who wrote against the Arians concerning the Word of God made flesh and about the Holy Spirit, consubstantial with the Father and coeternal with the Son, and was afflicted with exile by King Euric.

10. At Lyon in France, **Saint Annemund, bishop and martyr**.

11. At Salzburg in Bavaria, **the Saints Chuniald and Gislar, priests**, who assisted Saint Rupert the bishop.

12. At Mainz in Rhenish Austrasia, **Saint Leoba, virgin**, who was called by Saint Boniface, her relative, from England to Germany, and was appointed over the monastery at Tauber, where she guided the handmaids of God along the path of perfection by word and example.

13. At Pavia in Lombardy, **blessed Bernardine of Feltre (Martini) Tomitano, priest** of the Order of Minors, who bore good fruit everywhere in his preaching ministry, established the so-called Mounts of Piety against usury, and, as a man of peace, was summoned by Pope Sixtus IV to settle civil disputes.

14. At Madrid in Spain, **Saint Simon de Rojas, priest** of the Order of the Most Holy Trinity for the Redemption of Captives, who, assigned to the household of the Queen of Spain, never accepted a carriage or reward, but in the midst of royal splendor always showed himself humble, poor, merciful to the unfortunate, and ardently devoted to God.

15. At Nagasaki in Japan, the blessed martyrs **John Shozaburo**, catechist, **Mancio Ichizayemon**, **Michael Taiemon Kinoshi**, **Lawrence Hachizo**, **Peter Terai Kuhioye**, and **Thomas Terai Kahioye**, who were beheaded for Christ.

16. At the town of Sant Feliu *de Codines* in the region of Catalonia in Spain, **blessed Francis Xavier Ponsa Casallarch**, religious of the Order of Saint John of God **and martyr**, who, during a time of persecution, attained the glorious palm for Christ and the Church.

17. At the town of *Benillup* in the district of Lucentum, also in Spain, **blessed Amalia Abad Casasempere**, martyr, a mother of a family, who, during a persecution against the faith, was crowned for the testimony of Christ.

18. At Valencia, likewise in Spain, **blessed Joseph Tarrats Comaposada**, religious of the Society of **Jesus and martyr**, who, in the same persecution, was heard in Christ into glory.

19. In the city of *Karadzar* near Karaganda in Kazakhstan, **blessed Nykyta Budka**, bishop, who, being the first to exercise the episcopal office in Canada among the Catholic faithful of the Byzantine Rite, was deported to a detention camp during a regime hostile to God, where, persevering in faith, he endured all adversity with fortitude of soul unto death for the love of Christ.

September 29th

This Day, the Twenty-ninth Day of September

Feast of **Saints Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael, Archangels.** On the day of the dedication of the basilica under the title of Saint Michael at the sixth milestone on the Salarian Way from the City, long ago rebuilt, the three Archangels are celebrated together, whose distinct missions are revealed by Sacred Scripture, and who serve God day and night and, beholding His face, unceasingly glorify Him.

2. At Perinthus or Heraclea in Thrace, **Saint Eutychius, bishop and martyr.**
3. At Valarshapat in Armenia, **the holy martyrs Rhipsime, Gaiana, and their companions.**
4. At Auxerre in Lugdunensian France, **Saint Fraternus, bishop.**
5. In Palestine, **Saint Cyriacus, anchorite**, who for nearly ninety years lived a most austere life in caves, an exemplar of anchorites and a defender of the truth of the faith against the errors of the Origenists.
6. At Mettlach on the River Saar in Rhenania, **the deposition of Saint Liutwin, bishop** of Trier, who was the founder of the monastery of that place and died at Reims.
7. On the island of Reichenau in Lake Zurich among the Swiss, **Saint Adelic, priest and hermit.**

8. In Brittany, **Saint Maurice**, first **abbot** of Langonnet and then of the monastery of Carnoët of the Cistercian Order, which he himself founded, where he rested in peace, renowned for signs of holiness.

9. In the Cistercian monastery of Longpont in France, **blessed John of Montmirail**, who from a most distinguished knight became a humble monk.

10. At Dariorigum, on the coast of Brittany, **blessed Charles of Blois**, a pious, gentle, and humble man, who, although he preferred to be counted among the Friars Minor, was compelled to claim the principality in order to recover it from an adversary. As Duke of Brittany, he bore long misfortunes with constancy, endured prolonged imprisonment, and was slain in battle near Auray.

11. At Rome, **blessed Nicholas of Forca Palena**, **priest** of the Order of Hermits of Saint Jerome, who founded the monastery of Saint Onuphrius on the Janiculum Hill, where he rested in the Lord at the age of one hundred.

12. At Lviv in Poland, **Saint John of Dukla**, **priest** of the Order of Friars Minor, who, living a hidden and ascetic life according to the customs of the Observants, gave himself with fervent zeal to the pastoral care of souls and fostered the unity of Christians.

13. At Nagasaki in Japan, **the passion of Saints Michael de Aozaraza, William Courtet, and Vincent Shiwozuka**, **priests** of the Order of Preachers, **and of Lazarus of Kyoto and Lawrence Ruiz of Manila**, **a father of a family, martyrs**, who, having been held in prison for over a year for the name of Christ, endured the punishment of the cross and were then beheaded. Their commemoration, along with that of their companions, was held on the previous day.

14. At the village of *Ossernenon* in Canadian territory, **the passion of Saint René Goupil, martyr, a physician** and companion of Saint Isaac Jogues, who was killed with a blow of a tomahawk by a native.

15. At the village of *Gilet* near Valencia in Spain, **blessed James Mestre Iborra, priest** of the Order of Friars Minor Capuchin **and martyr**, who, during the raging persecution against the faith, poured out his blood for Christ.

16. Also at Valencia in Spain, **the blessed martyrs Paul Bori Puig, priest, and Vincent Sales Genovés, religious**, of the Society of Jesus, who carried out a noble contest for Christ.

17. At the village of *Picadero de Paterna* in the region of Valencia, likewise in Spain, **blessed Darius Hernández Morató, priest** of the Society of Jesus **and martyr**, who in the same persecution yielded his soul to God.

18. At Lleida, also in Spain, **blessed Francis de Paula Castelló i Aleu, martyr**, who, condemned in the same religious persecution, did not hesitate, with calm spirit and great firmness, to face death for Christ.

September 30th

This Day, the Thirtieth Day of September

Memorial of Saint Jerome, priest and Doctor of the Church, who, born in Dalmatia, in Rome acquired an outstanding education in all branches of learning and there

was baptized. Then, captivated by the virtue of the contemplative life and embracing an ascetical way of life, he departed for the East and was ordained a priest. Having returned to Rome, he served as secretary to Pope Damasus, but later, having settled in Bethlehem of Judaea, he withdrew to a monastic life and became a distinguished teacher in translating and interpreting the Sacred Scriptures. In a remarkable way, he took part in many of the Church's needs; at length, when he had lived on into old age, he passed away in peace.

2. At Piacenza in Emilia, **Saint Antoninus, martyr.**

3. At Solothurn among the Swiss, **the holy martyrs Ursus and Victor**, who are said to have belonged to the Theban Legion.

4. In Armenia, **Saint Gregory, surnamed the Illuminator, bishop**, who, after great labors, withdrew into a cave near the confluence of the branches of the Euphrates and there passed away in peace, considered the apostle of the Armenians.

5. At Marseille in the Province of France, **Saint Eusebia, virgin**, who from youth to old age faithfully served God.

6. At Canterbury in Kent of England, **Saint Honorius, bishop**, who, a Roman monk, was sent by Saint Gregory the Great as a companion of Saint Augustine to evangelize England, and who eventually succeeded him in his see.

7. At Rome, **Saint Simon, monk**, who, once Count of Crépy in France, renouncing his fatherland, marriage, and all things, chose the monastic life, and later a hermit's life in the Jura mountains; often requested, however, to serve as a

legate to reconcile peace among princes, he died in the City and was buried at Saint Peter's.

8. At Nusco in Hirpinia, **Saint Amatus, bishop.**

9. At Die among the Vocontii in France, **Saint Ismidon, bishop**, who, burning with love for the holy places, piously made pilgrimage to Jerusalem twice.

10. At Pesaro in Piceno of Italy, **blessed Felicia Meda, abbess** of the Order of Poor Clares.

11. At Rome, **Saint Francis Borgia, priest**, who, after the death of his wife, by whom he had eight children, entered the Society of Jesus, and, having renounced worldly life and refused Church dignities, was elected Superior General, and became notable for the austerity of his life and for prayer.

12. On the coast of France before the sea strait of Rochefort, **blessed John Nicholas Cordier, priest and martyr**, who, after the Society of Jesus was suppressed, carried out priestly ministry in the district of Verdun, until, during the violence of the French upheaval, he was cast into a ship anchored in the sea and, weakened by severe hunger, perished because he was a priest.

13. In the village of *Lanzo* near Turin in Italy, **blessed Frederick Albert, priest**, who, as a parish priest, in order to aid the poor in every way, founded *the Congregation of the Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of the Immaculate Conception*.

14. At Lisieux also in France, **the heavenly birth of Saint Thérèse of the Child Jesus**, whose memorial is celebrated tomorrow.

^{1.} Whose names are: blessed Processus (Joachim) Ruiz Cascales, Euthymius (Nicholas) Aramendia Garcia, Canutus (Joseph) Franco Gomez, Dositheus (William) Rubio Alonso, Caesarius (Marian) Niño Perez, Benjamin (Alexander) Cobos Celada, Carmelus (Isidore) Gil Arano, Cosmas (Simon) Brun Arara, Crecilius (Henry) Lopez Lopez, Rufinus (Crescentius) Lasheras Aizcorbe, and Faustinus (Anthony) Villanueva Igual, religious.

^{2.} Whose names are: blessed Vincent Abraham, Andrew Angar, John Baptist Claude Aubert, Francis Balmain, John Peter Bangué, Louis Francis Andrew Barret, Joseph Becavin, James Julius Bonnaud, John Anthony Hyacinth Boucharene de Chaumeils, John Francis Bosquet, Claude Cayx, also known as Dumas, John Charton de Millon, Claude Chaudet, Nicholas Clairret, Claude Colin, Francis Dardan, William Anthony Delfaut, Maturinus Victor Deruelle, Gabriel Desprez de Roche, Thomas Nicholas Dubray, Thomas Renatus Dubuisson, Francis Dumasrambaud de Calandelle, Henry Hippolytus Ermes, Armand de Foucauld de Pontbriand, James Friteyre-Durve, Claude Francis Gagnieres des Granges, Louis Laurence Francetier, John Goizet, Andrew Grasset de Saint-Sauveur, John Anthony Guilleminet, John Baptist Jannin, John Lacan, Peter Landry, Claude Anthony Ralph de Laporte, Robert Le Bis, Maturinus Nicholas Le Bous de Villeneuve de la Villecrohain, Oliver Lefevre, Charles Francis Legue, James Joseph Lejardinier Deslandes, James John Lemeunier, Vincent Joseph Le Rousseau de Rosencourt, Francis Caesar Londiveau, Louis Longuet, James Francis de Lubersac, Gaspar Claude Maignien, John Philip Marchand, Louis Mauduit, Francis Louis Meallet de Fargues, James Alexander Menuret, John Baptist Nativelle, Renatus Nativelle, Matthias Augustine Nogier, Joseph Thomas Pazery de Thorame, Julius Honoratus Cyprian Pazery de Thorame, Peter Francis Pazery de Thorame, Peter Ploquin, Renatus Nicholas Poret, Julian Poulain-Delaunay, John Robert Queneau, Francis Urban Salins de Niart, John Henry Louis Samson, John Anthony de Savine, John Anthony Barnabas Seguin, John Baptist Mary Tessier, Lupus Thomas, also known as Bonnotte, Francis Vareille-Duteil, Peter Louis Joseph Verrier; and Louis Barreau de la Touche, of the Congregation of Saint Maur of the Order of Saint Benedict; John Francis Burte, of the Order of Friars Minor; Apollinaris (John James) Morel, of the Order of Friars Minor Capuchin; Ambrose Augustine Chevreux and Renatus Julian Massey, of the Order of Saint Benedict; Bernard Francis de Cucsac, James Gabriel Galais, Peter Gauguin, Peter Michael Guerin, James Stephen Philip Hourrier, Henry Augustus Luzeau de la Mulonnière, John Baptist Michael Pontus, Peter Nicholas Psalmon, and Claude Rousseau, of the Society of Saint Sulpice; Charles Jeremiah Bérald du Pérou, Francis Louis Hébert, and Francis Lefranc, of the Society of Jesus and Mary; Urban Lefevre, of the Paris Society for the Missions to Foreign Nations; Severinus (George) Girauld, of the Third Order Regular of Saint Francis — all of them priests; Louis Alexis Matthias Boubert, Stephen Francis Deusdedit de Ravinel, and James Augustine Robert de Lézardières, deacons; Salomon (William Nicholas Louis) Leclercq, a

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religious of the Christian Schools; Augustus Nézel, a cleric; and Charles Regis Matthew de la Calmette.

³. Whose names are: blessed Daniel Louis André des Pommerayes, Louis Remigius Benoist, Louis Renatus Nicholas Benoist, Anthony Charles Octavian du Bouzet, John Andrew Capeau, Armand Chapt de Rastignac, Claude Fontaine, Peter Louis Gervais, Sanctus Hure, John Louis Guyard de Saint-Clair, Alexander Charles Lenfant, Laurence, Louis Le Danois, Thomas John Monsaint, Francis Joseph Pey, John Joseph Rateau, Mark Louis Royer, John Peter Simon, as well as Charles Louis Hurtrel, of the Order of Minims — all of them priests — and Louis Benjamin Hurtrel, a deacon.

⁴. Whose names are: blessed priests Vincent Carvalho and Francis Terrero, of the Order of Hermits of Saint Augustine; Anthony Ishida, of the Society of Jesus; Jerome Jo; and Gabriel of Magdalene, a religious of the Order of Friars Minor.

⁵. Whose names are: blessed Renatus Mary Andrieux, Peter Paul Balzac, John Francis Mary Benoît, also called Vourlat, Michael Andrew Sylvester Binard, Nicholas Bize, Peter Bonze, Peter Briquet, Peter Brisse, Charles Carnus, Bertrand Anthony de Caupenne, James Dufour, Dionysius Claude Duval, Joseph Falcoz, Gilbert John Fautrel, Philibert Fougère, Peter John Garrigues, Nicholas Gaudreau, Stephen Michael Gillet, George Jerome Giroust, Joseph Mary Gros, Peter Guerin du Rocher, Robert Francis Guerin du Rocher, Ivo Andrew Guilan de Keranrun, Julian Francis Bédouin, Peter Francis Henocq, Eligius Herque, also called du Roule, Peter Louis Jaret, James de la Lande, Giles Louis Symphorian Lanchon, Louis John Matthew Lanier, John Joseph de Laveze-Belay, Michael Leber, Peter Florentius Leclercq, John Charles Legrand, John Peter Le Laisant, Julian Le Laisant, John Lemaitre, John Thomas Leroy, Martin Francis Alexis Loublrier, Claude Louis Marmotant de Savigny, Claude Sylvanus Mayneaud de Bizefranc, Henry John Millet, Francis Joseph Monnier, Mary Francis Mouffle, Joseph Louis Oviefre, John Michael Philippot, James Rabe, Peter Robert Regnet, Ivo John Peter Rey de Kervizic, Nicholas Claude Roussel, Peter Saint-James, James Louis Schmid, John Anthony Seconds, Peter James de Turmenies, Renatus Joseph Urvoy, Nicholas Mary Verron, and Charles Victor Veret — all priests.

And also: John Charles Mary Bernard du Cornillet, canon of the Abbey of Saint Victor in Paris; John Francis Bonnel de Pradel and Claude Pons, canons of the Abbey of Saint Geneviève in Paris; John Charles Caron, Nicholas Colin, Louis Joseph François, and John Henry Gruyer, of the Congregation of the Mission; Claude Bochat and Eustace Felix, of the Congregation of the Fathers of Christian Doctrine; Cosmas (John Peter) Duval, of the Order of Friars Minor Capuchin; Peter Claude Pottier, of the Society of Jesus and Mary; and Sebastian Desbrielles, schoolmaster in Paris, Louis Francis Rigot, and John Anthony Joseph de Villette.

⁶. Whose names are: Saint Mary Pak Kun-a-gi Hui-sun, sister of Saint Lucy Pak Hui-sun; Barbara Kwon-hui, wife of Saint Augustine Yi Kwang-hem; Barbara Yi Chong-hui; Mary Yi Yon-hui, wife of Saint Damian Nam Myong-hyog; Agnes Kim Hyo-ju.

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7. Whose names are: blessed Dominic of Nagasaki, a religious of the Order of Friars Minor; Thomas of Saint Hyacinth and Anthony of Saint Dominic, religious of the Order of Preachers; Lucy Ludovica, a widow; John Tomachi and his sons Dominic, Michael, Thomas, and Paul; John Imamura, Paul Sadayu Aybara, Roman Aybara and his son Leo, James Hayashida, Matthew Alvarez, Michael Yamada and his son Lawrence, Louis Higashi and his sons Francis and Dominic.

8. Whose names are: blessed Angelus Orsucci, Alphonsus de Mena, Joseph of Saint Hyacinth of Salvanes, and Hyacinth Orfanel, priests of the Order of Preachers; and Dominic of the Rosary and Alexis, religious of the same Order; Richard of Saint Anne and Peter of Ávila, priests of the Order of Friars Minor; and Vincent of Saint Joseph, a religious of the same Order; Charles Spinola, a priest of the Society of Jesus; and Gundisalvus Fusai, Anthony Kiuni, Thomas of the Rosary, Thomas Akahoshi, Peter Sampo, Michael Shumpo, Louis Kawara, and John Chugoku, religious of the same Society; Leo of Satsuma and Lucy de Freitas; Anthony Sanga, a catechist, and Magdalene, his wife; Anthony the Korean, a catechist, and Mary, his wife, with their sons John and Peter; Paul Nagaishi and Theda, husband and wife, with their son Peter; Paul Tanaka and Mary, husband and wife; Dominic Yamada and Clara, husband and wife; Isabella Fernandez, widow of blessed Dominic Jorge, with their son Ignatius; Mary, widow of blessed Andrew Tokuan; Agnes, widow of blessed Cosmas Takeya; Mary, widow of blessed John Shoun; Dominica Ogata, Mary Tanaura, Apollonia, and Catherine, widows; Dominic Nakano, son of blessed Matthew Nakano; Bartholomew Kawano Shichiemon; Damian Yamichi Tanda and his son Michael; Thomas Shichiro, Rufus Ishimoto; and Clement (Bosio) Vom and his son Anthony.

9. Whose names are: blessed Francis of Saint Bonaventure and Peter of Saint Clare, religious of the Order of Friars Minor; and Dominic Magoshichi and Matthew of Saint Thomas Chiwiato, religious of the Order of Preachers.

10. Whose names are: Saints Simeon Berneux, Anthony Daveluy, and Lawrence Imbert, bishops; Justus Ranfer de Bretenières, Louis Beaulieu, Peter Henry Dorie, Peter Maubant, James Chastan, Peter Aumaitre, and Martin Lucas Huin, priests; John Yi Yun-il, Andrew Chong Hwa-gyong, Stephen Min Kuk-ka, Paul Ho Hyob, Augustine Pak Chong-won, Peter Hong Pyong-ju, Paul Hong Yong-ju, Joseph Chang Chu-gi, Thomas Son Chason, Luke Hwang Sok-tu, Damian Nam Myong-hyog, Francis Ch'oe Kyong-hwan, Charles Hyon Song-mun, Lawrence Han I-hyong, Peter Nam Kyong-mun, Augustine Yu Chin-gil, Peter Yi Ho-yong, Peter Son Son-ji, Benedicta Hyon Kyong-nyon, Peter Ch'oe Ch'ang-hub, catechist; Agatha Yi, Mary Yi In-dog, Barbara Yi, Mary Won Kwi-im, Teresa Kim Im-i, Columba Kim Hyo-im, Magdalene Cho, Elizabeth Chong Chong-hye, virgins; Teresa Kim, Barbara Kim, Susanna U Sur-im, Agatha Yi Kan-nan, Magdalene Pak Pong-son, Perpetua Hong Kum-ju, Catherine Yi, Cecilia Yu So-sa, Barbara Cho Chung-i, Magdalene Han Yong-i, widows; Magdalene Son So-byog, Agatha Yi Kyong-i, Agatha Kwon Chin-i, John Yi Mun-u, Barbara Ch'oe Yong-i, Peter Yu Chong-nyul, John Baptist Nam Chong-sam, John Baptist Chon Chang-un, Peter Ch'oe Hyong, Mark Chong Ui-bae, Alexis U Se-yong, Anthony Kim Song-u, Protase Chong Kuk-ho, Augustine Yi Kwang-hon, Agatha Kim A-gi, Magdalene Kim O-bi, Barbara Han A-gi, Anna Pak A-gi, Agatha Yi So-sa, Lucy Pak Hui-sun, Peter Kwon

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Tu-gin, Joseph Chang Song-jib, Magdalene Yi Yong-hui, Teresa Yi Mae-im, Martha Kim Song-im, Lucy Kim, Rose Kim, Anna Kim Chang-gum, John Baptist Yi Kwang-nyol, John Pak Hu-jae, Mary Pak Kun-a-gi Hui-sun, Barbara Kwon-hui, Barbara Yi Chong-hui, Mary Yi Yon-hui, Agnes Kim Hyo-ju, Catherine Chong Ch'or-yom, Joseph Im Ch'i-baeg, Sebastian Nam I-gwan, Ignatius Kim Che-jun, Charles Cho Shin-ch'ol, Julitta Kim, Agatha Chon Kyong-hyob, Magdalene Ho Kye-im, Lucy Kim, Peter Yu Taech'ol, Peter Cho Hwa-so, Peter Yi Myong-so, Bartholomew Chong Mun-ho, Joseph Peter Han Chae-kwon, Peter Chong Won-ji, Joseph Cho Yun-ho, Barbara Ko Sun-i, and Magdalene Yi Yong-dog.

¹¹. Whose names are: Saints Peter Nam Kyong-mun, catechist; Teresa Kim Im-i, virgin; Susanna U Sur-im and Agatha Yi Kan-nan, widows; Catherine Chong Ch'or-yom and Joseph Im Ch'i-baeg, baptized in prison.

¹². Whose names are: Saints Ignatius Kim Che-jun, Charles Cho Shin-ch'ol, Columba Kim Hyo-im, virgin; Magdalene Pak Pong-son and Perpetua Hong Kum-ju, widows; Julitta Kim, Agatha Chon Kyong-hyob, and Magdalene Ho Kye-im.

¹³. Whose names are: Saints Dominic Ibañez de Erquicia, James Kyuhei Gorobioye Tomonaga, Anthony Gonzalez, Michael de Aozaraza, William Courtet, Vincent Shiwozuka, Luke Alphonsus Gorda, Jordan (Hyacinth) Ansalone, and Thomas Hioji Rokuzayemon Nishi, priests of the Order of Preachers; Francis Shoyemon, Michael Kurobioye, and Matthew Kohioye, religious of the same Order; Magdalene of Nagasaki, virgin of the Third Order of Saint Augustine; Marina of Omura, virgin of the Third Order of Preachers; Lazarus of Kyoto, a layman.

Omnes sancti Mártyres, oráte pro nobis. (“All ye Holy Martyrs, pray for us,” from the *Litaniae Sanctorum*, the Litany of the Saints)

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“Scio opera tua ... quia modicum habes virtutem, et servasti verbum Meum, nec non negasti Nomen Meum”
(Apocalypsis 3.8)

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Semen est sanguis Christianorum (The blood of Christians is the seed of the Church)

Tertullian, *Apologeticum*, 50

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This Day, the First Day of October

Memorial of **Saint Thérèse of the Child Jesus, virgin and Doctor of the Church**, who, having entered the Carmelite monastery of Lisieux in France while still a young girl, became in innocence and simplicity of life a model of holiness in Christ, taught the way to Christian perfection through spiritual childhood, and poured out every mystical concern for the salvation of souls and the growth of the Church, completing her life in the twenty-fifth year of her age. She died, in fact, on the thirtieth of September.

2. At Saint-Piat in Belgic France, **Saint Piaton**, who is venerated as a presbyter, evangelizer of Tournai, **and martyr**.

3. At Lisbon in Lusitania, **the holy martyrs Verissimus, Maxima, and Julia**.

4. At Constantinople, **Saint Romanus, deacon**, who, because of his eminent skill in composing ecclesiastical hymns in honor of the Lord and the saints, deserved to be called the Melodist.

5. At Trier in Austrasian Rhineland, **Saint Nicetius, bishop**, who, as Saint Gregory of Tours testifies, was strong in preaching, formidable in reproof, and steadfast in teaching, and who, under King Chlothar of the Franks, was sent into exile.

6. At Ghent in Neustrian Flanders, **Saint Bavo, monk**, who was a disciple of Saint Amand and, renouncing the world, having distributed his goods to the poor, retired to the monastery founded in that fortress.

7. At Condé on the Scheldt in Austrasian Hainaut, **Saint Wasnulf, monk**, a Scot by birth.

8. At Canterbury in England, **Saint Gerald Edwards, priest and martyr**, who, ordained in France and returned to his homeland during the persecution raging under Queen Elizabeth I, after a long imprisonment completed his martyrdom on the gibbet. **Together with him suffered the blessed Robert Wilcox and Christopher Buxton, priests**, likewise for the priesthood, and **Robert Widmerpool**, because he had aided a priest.

9. At Chichester, also in England, **the blessed Ralph Crockett and Edward James, priests and martyrs**, who, having returned to their homeland from the English College at Reims, were led to execution at the gallows solely on account of the priesthood.

10. At Ipswich, likewise in England, **blessed John Robinson, priest and martyr**, who, a father of a family, after the death of his wife, having received the priesthood in advanced old age, was crowned with martyrdom.

11. At Nagasaki in Japan, **the blessed Gaspar Hikojiro and Andrew Yoshida, catechists**, who, because they had harbored priests in their homes, were beheaded.

12. At Saronno near Varese in Lombardy of Italy, **blessed Luigi Maria Monti, religious**, who, although retaining the lay state, founded *the Sons of the Immaculate Conception*, whom he directed in the spirit of charity toward the poor and needy, especially attending to the sick and orphans and caring for the instruction of youth.

13. In the village of Rotglà i Corberà in the region of Valencia in Spain, **blessed Florentina Caerols Martínez, virgin and martyr**, who, in a time of persecution against the faith, merited to attain through martyrdom the glory of eternal life.

14. In the village of Villena in the same region of Spain, **blessed Álvaro Sanjuan Canet, priest of the Salesian Society and martyr**, who in the same period was led through the struggle of conflict to a bountiful crown.

15. Near Munich in Bavaria, Germany, **blessed Antoni Rewera, priest and martyr**, who, having been sent from Poland to the concentration camps of Dachau because of his confession of Christ, reached the crown of martyrdom through torture.

October 2nd

This Day, the Second Day of October

Memorial of the **Holy Guardian Angels**, who, first called to contemplate the face of God in splendor, were also appointed by the Lord to be with men, to assist and guide them with their invisible but solicitous presence.

2. At Nicomedia in Bithynia, **Saint Eleutherius, martyr**.

3. At Numancia in Carthaginian Spain, **Saint Saturius, hermit**.

4. At Sarcinon in the territory of Atrebatean Neustria, **the passion of Saint Leodegar, bishop** of Autun, who, afflicted with various injuries and mutilated, was unjustly put to death by Ebroin, the mayor of the palace of King Theodoric. **With him is commemorated the memory of his brother, Saint Gerinus, martyr**, who, at the command of that same Ebroin two years earlier, was overwhelmed with stones.

5. At Andage in the Ardennes Forest in Austrasia, **Saint Beregis, abbot**, who founded there a monastery of canons regular and diligently governed it.

6. In Rhaetia, **Saint Ursicinus, bishop** of Chur and first abbot of the monastery of Disentis, which he himself founded.

7. At Constantinople, **the commemoration of Saint Theophilus, monk**, who, for the defense of the sacred Images, was very cruelly scourged by Leo the Isaurian and driven into exile.

8. At Nagasaki in Japan, **the blessed Louis Yakichi and Lucy, spouses, and their sons Andrew and Francis, martyrs**, who died for Christ: the children were beheaded before their father together with their mother, and he was afterward cast into the fire.
9. In the sea near Rochefort in France, in a filthy prison ship moored with anchors, **blessed George Edmund René, priest and martyr**, who, a canon of Vézelay, was condemned during the time of the French upheaval to naval imprisonment for exercising the priestly ministry, and, wasted by disease of the body, died.
10. At Lyon in France, **blessed Anthony Chevrier, priest**, who founded *the Work of the Prado Providence*, where priests were formed to teach poor youth the Christian religion.
11. At Fianarantsoa in Madagascar, **blessed John Beyzym, priest** of the Society of Jesus, who exercised fervent ministry for lepers on that island, serving both their bodies and souls with great charitable help.
12. Near Castalla on the coast of Spain, **the blessed Francis Carceller**, of the Order of Clerics Regular of the Pious Schools, **and Isidore Bover Oliver**, of the Society of Diocesan Worker Priests, **priests and martyrs**, who, during a fierce persecution, were killed by bullets before a cemetery wall out of hatred for the priesthood, and consummated their martyrdom.
13. In the village of Sax near Alicante, also in Spain, **the blessed Elias and John Baptist Carbonell Molla, priests and martyrs, brothers**, who in the same persecution against the Church were killed by bullets.

14. In the village of *Silla* near Valencia, also in Spain, **blessed Mary Guadalupe (Mary Frances) Ricart Olmos, religious** of the Order of the Servants of Mary **and martyr**, who, in the same period, was crowned for the witness of Christ.

15. In the city of *Stanisławów* in Poland, **blessed Mary Antonina Kratochwil, virgin** of the Congregation of the School Sisters of Our Lady **and martyr**, who, during wartime, was imprisoned for the faith, where, afflicted with torments for Christ her Spouse, she died.

October 3rd

This Day, the Third Day of October

1. Commemoration of Saint Dionysius the Areopagite, who, when Christ was preached by the blessed Paul the Apostle before the Areopagus, adhered to Him, and was appointed the first **bishop** of the Athenians.

2. At Rome, in the cemetery of Pontian on the Via Portuensis, **Saint Candida, martyr**.

3. At Alexandria in Egypt, **the commemoration of the saints Faustus, Caius, Peter, Paul, Eusebius, Chaeremon, Lucius, and two others**, who, first under the emperor Decius, and later under Valerian, by order of the governor Aemilian, suffered many things **with Saint Dionysius the bishop, confessors of the faith**; among them, indeed, Faustus under the emperor Diocletian also received the palm of martyrdom.

4. At Maiuma in Palestine, **the commemoration of Saint Hesychius, monk**, who was a disciple of Saint Hilarion and a companion on his journeys.

5. **Commemoration of Saint Maximian, bishop** of Bagai in Numidia, who, repeatedly subjected to very cruel treatment by heretics, was finally thrown down from a high tower and left for dead; but afterward, picked up by passersby and healed, he did not cease to defend the Catholic faith.

6. At Toulon in the province of France, **Saint Cyprian, bishop**, who, a disciple of Saint Caesarius of Arles, defended the orthodox faith concerning grace in many synods, asserting that no one could make progress by his own power, nor seize hold of anything divine, unless first called by the prevenient grace of God.

7. Among the Saxons, **the holy martyrs, the two Ewalds—one surnamed the Black, the other the White**—who, **priests** of English origin, inspired by the example of Saint Willibrord and his companions, went to the Saxons and, as they began to preach Christ to them, were seized by the pagans and consummated their martyrdom.

8. In the monastery of Metten in Bavaria, **blessed Utho**, founder and first **abbot**.

9. In the region of Namur in Lotharingia, **Saint Gerard**, first **abbot** of the monastery of Brogne, which he himself founded, who labored for the renewal of monastic discipline both in Flanders and in Lotharingia and restored many monasteries to the original observance of the rule.

10. At Chur in Rhaetia among the Swiss, **blessed Adalgott, bishop**, who, a disciple of Saint Bernard of Clairvaux, was outstanding for his work in monastic discipline.

11. On the banks of the River *Uruaçu* near Natal in Brazil, **the blessed Ambrose Francis Ferro, priest, and his companions, martyrs,**¹ who fell as victims of the oppression carried out against the Catholic faith.

12. At Madrid in Spain, **blessed Crescentius García Pobo, priest** of the Third Order of Saint Francis of the Capuchins of the blessed Virgin of Sorrows **and martyr**, who, during a fierce persecution against the faith, shed his blood for Christ.

October 4th

This Day, the Fourth Day of October

Memorial of Saint Francis, who, after an easygoing youth, was converted at Assisi in Umbria and chose the Evangelical way of life; having found Jesus Christ especially in the poor and the forsaken, he made himself poor and served them, and he gathered to himself the Friars Minor in companionship. He preached to all the love of God on his journey even unto the Holy Land, seeking in words and deeds the perfect following of Christ, wishing to die naked upon the bare ground.

2. At Bologna in Emilia, **Saint Petronius, bishop**, who rose from worldly power to the office of the priesthood and taught about the episcopal duty by his writings and example.

3. In the countryside of Tours in France, **Saint Quintinus, martyr.**

4. At Paris, also in France, **Saint Aurea, abbess**, whom Saint Eligius placed in charge of a monastery founded by himself within the city under the Rule of Saint Columban, where he had gathered three hundred virgins.
5. At New Orleans in Louisiana, in the northern United States of America, **blessed Francis Xavier Seelos, priest** of the Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer, born in Bavaria, who was constantly attentive to the needs of children, youth, and immigrants.
6. In the village of *Xaraco* in the region of Valencia in Spain, **blessed Henry Morant Pellicer, priest and martyr**, who, in a time of persecution, completed the contest for the faith.
7. Near the city of *Gandia* in the same region of Spain, **blessed Joseph Canet Giner, priest and martyr**, who, on account of his fidelity to Christ, deserved to be united to the sacrifice of the Savior.
8. In the town of *Bellreguard*, also in the region of Valencia, **blessed Alaphridus Pellicer Muñoz, religious** of the Order of Friars Minor **and martyr**, who in the same period confirmed the faith in Christ even unto the palm [of martyrdom].

October 5th

This Day, the Fifth Day of October

1. At Trier in Belgic France, **the commemoration of the holy martyrs**, who, during the time of persecution under Emperor Diocletian, are believed to have obtained the palm [of martyrdom].
2. At Corycus in Cilicia, **Saint Charitina, martyr**.
3. The commemoration of **Saint Mamlacha, virgin and martyr**, who, having come from the land of the Garamæans into Persia, was ordered to be killed by King Shapur II.
4. At Saint-Julien-en-Vienne in the region of Vienne in France, **Saint Apollinaris, bishop**, who, the brother of Saint Avitus, bishop of Vienne, and a man inflamed with zeal for justice and integrity, after a long vacancy of the See of Valence, restored the strength and former dignity of the Christian religion.
5. **The commemoration of Saint Placidus, monk**, who from boyhood was a most beloved disciple of Saint Benedict.
6. At Nevers in Neustria, **Saint Jerome, bishop**, whose generosity and pastoral care enriched his Church.
7. At Paderborn in Saxony, **Saint Meinulph, deacon**, who built and endowed the monastery of Böddeken, in which he established consecrated virgins.
8. At León in Spain, **the commemoration of Saint Froilán, bishop**, who, having been raised from hermit to bishop, evangelized the regions of Spain liberated from the yoke of the Moors, and was known for his zeal in spreading the monastic life and for his generosity toward the poor.
9. Likewise at Zamora in Spain, **the commemoration of Saint Atilanus, bishop**, who, first a monk, was the chief companion of Saint Froilán in winning over to Christ the regions formerly devastated by the Moors.
10. At Florence in Etruria, **blessed Peter of Foraz Corneli**, who, a knight of the

Order of Saint John of Jerusalem, devoted himself with pious charity to the care of the sick.

11. At Beaulieu in the region of Cahors in France, **the commemoration of Saint Flora, virgin** of the Order of Saint John of Jerusalem, who cared for the sick poor in the hospital and shared in heart and body in the Passion of Christ.

12. At Corneto in Latium, **blessed Sanctus, priest** of the Order of Hermits of Saint Augustine, whom a crowd followed as he preached the word of God.

13. At Nuremberg in Bavaria, **blessed Raymond of Capua, priest** of the Order of Preachers, who was the wise spiritual director of Saint Catherine of Siena and composed the record of her life.

14. At Vigevano in Lombardy, **blessed Matthew (John Francis) Carreri, priest** of the Order of Preachers, who was a vehement and most eloquent preacher of the word of God in his time.

15. At London in England, **the blessed martyrs William Hartley and John Hewett, priests, and Robert Sutton**, who, for their constancy toward the Catholic Church under Queen Elizabeth I, were hanged with the noose in various places near the city.

16. In the village of *Mindelstetten* in the region of Regensburg in Germany, **blessed Anne Schäffer, virgin**, who, at nineteen years of age, while performing domestic service, was scalded by boiling water and afterward, as her health declined, lived as a poor and prayerful woman with peaceful spirit, bearing the cross of her suffering for the salvation of souls.

17. At Pompeii near Naples in Italy, **blessed Bartholomew Longo, a lawyer** who, deeply concerned for Marian devotion and the Christian education of farmers and children, founded *the shrine of the Rosary* in the Valley of Pompeii *and the Congregation of sisters of the same title*, with the help of his devout wife.

18. At the place called *Tepatitlán* in Mexico, **Saint Tranquilino Ubiarco, priest and martyr**, who, during a violent persecution against the Church, faithfully fulfilled his pastoral ministry, and for this reason, being hanged from a tree, achieved a glorious martyrdom.

19. At Kraków in Poland, **Saint Maria Faustina (Helena) Kowalska, virgin** of the Sisters of the blessed Virgin Mary of Mercy, who was greatly devoted to revealing the mystery of Divine Mercy.

20. In the town of Plonkowo, likewise in Poland, **blessed Marian Skrzypczak, priest and martyr**, who, during the occupation of Poland under a regime hostile to God, for his unshaken faith was shot in front of the church and received the palm of martyrdom.

October 6th

This Day, the Sixth Day of October

Saint Bruno, priest, who, born at Cologne in Lotharingia, after teaching theological disciplines in France, desired a solitary life and, with a few disciples, founded the [Carthusian] Order in a remote valley of Chartreuse in the Alps, where the solitude of hermits was combined with a certain form of community life. Summoned to Rome by blessed Pope Urban II to assist him in the needs of the Church, he nonetheless spent his final years in the hermitage near the monastery of Torre in Calabria.

2. At Laodicea in Phrygia, **Saint Sagaris, bishop and martyr**, under Servilius Paulus, proconsul of Asia.
3. At Agen in Aquitaine, **Saint Faith, martyr**.
4. At Sorrento in Campania, **Saint Renatus, bishop**.
5. At Auxerre in Neustria, **Saint Romanus, bishop**.
6. In Venetia, **the commemoration of Saint Magnus, bishop**, who, having fled from the city of Oderzo after it was captured by the Lombards along with most of his flock, is said to have founded the new city of Heraclea and to have overseen the construction of eight churches in the Venetian region.
7. In Brittany, **Saint Ywi, deacon and monk**, a disciple of Saint Cuthbert, bishop of Lindisfarne, who crossed the sea and lived in this region, diligent in vigils and fasts.
8. At Azogyra in Crete, **Saint John, surnamed Xenos (“the Stranger”)**, who spread monastic life throughout the island.
9. At Gueret in the region of Limoges in Aquitaine, **Saint Pardulphus, abbot**, renowned for the holiness of his life, who is said to have driven away the Saracens, defeated by King Charles Martel, from his oratory.
10. At Lambach in Bavaria, **the passing of blessed Adalbero, bishop** of Würzburg, who suffered much for the Apostolic See at the hands of schismatics and was driven from his episcopal seat more than once; he spent his final years in peace at the monastery of Lambach, which he himself had founded.

11. At the Charterhouse of Arvieres in Burgundy, which he had founded, **Saint Artaldus, bishop** of Belley, who, nearly ninety years old and a monk, was unwillingly elected bishop and, after two years, returned to monastic life, which he continued until his 106th year.

12. At Naples in Campania, **Saint Mary Frances of the Wounds of our Lord Jesus Christ (Anne Mary Gallo), virgin** of the Secular Third Order of Saint Francis, remarkable for her patience, penance, and love of God and souls amid innumerable and constant sufferings and trials.

13. At Rochefort in France, **blessed Francis Hunot, priest and martyr**, who, during the fierce persecution against the Church, was imprisoned aboard a filthy prison ship for being a priest, and, struck by fever, gave up his spirit.

14. At Longueuil in Canada, **blessed Mary Rose (Eulalie) Durocher, virgin**, foundress of *the Congregation of the Sisters of the Holy Names of Jesus and Mary*, for the human and Christian education of girls.

15. At the city of *An-Hòa* in Annám [Vietnam], **Saint Francis Trần Văn Trung, martyr**, who, **a soldier**, was ordered to renounce the Christian faith; he firmly refused to apostatize and was beheaded by order of Emperor Tự Đức.

16. At Courtrai in Belgium, **blessed Isidore of Saint Joseph De Loor, religious** of the Congregation of the Passion, who fulfilled the duties entrusted to him in holiness, and, struck by illness, endured great suffering as an example to his brothers.

October 7th

This Day, the Seventh Day of October

Memorial of the blessed Virgin Mary of the Rosary, the day on which, through the prayer of the Rosary, or the Marian Crown, the protection of the holy Mother of God is invoked to promote meditation on the mysteries of Christ, under her guidance, she who was singularly united with the incarnation, passion, and resurrection of the Son of God.

2. At Capua in Campania, **Saint Marcellus, martyr.**
3. At Padua in Venetia, **Saint Justina, virgin and martyr.**
4. At Bethsaloe in the province of Augusta Euphratesia in Syria, **the holy martyrs Sergius and Bacchus.**
5. At Rome, **Saint Mark, pope**, who founded a titular church in the district of Pallacinae and a basilica in the cemetery of Balbina on the Via Ardeatina, where he himself was buried.
6. At Bourges in Aquitaine, **Saint August, priest and abbot**, whose hands and feet were so crippled that he could move only by supporting himself on his knees and elbows, but who, having been healed through the intercession of Saint Martin, gathered monks and devoted himself continually to prayer.

7. At Saintes, likewise in Aquitaine, **Saint Palladius, bishop**, who built a basilica over the tomb of Saint Eutropius and promoted the veneration of saints in his city.

8. At the monastery of Bellafont in the kingdom of León, **blessed Martin, surnamed Cid, abbot**, who founded this monastery and affiliated it with the Cistercian Order.

9. At sea, off the coast near Rochefort in France, **blessed John Hunot, priest and martyr**, who, during the French turmoil, was confined on a prison ship for being a priest, and completed his course of captivity in fidelity to God.

10. At the village of *Benaguacil* in the region of Valencia in Spain, **blessed Joseph Llosa Balaguer, religious** of the Third Order of Capuchin Franciscans of the Sorrowful blessed Virgin Mary, **and martyr**, who suffered martyrdom in the persecution against the faith.

October 8th

This Day, the Eighth Day of October

1. At Antioch in Syria, **Saint Pelagia, virgin and martyr**, whom Saint John Chrysostom extolled with great praise.

2. **The commemoration of Saint Reparata**, who is venerated as a **virgin and martyr** in various places.

3. At Como in Liguria, **Saint Felix, bishop**, who, having been ordained by Saint Ambrose of Milan, was the first to preside over the Church of this city.
4. At Rouen in the region of Lyon in France, **Saint Evodius, bishop**.
5. At Denain in Hainaut, **Saint Ragenfreda, abbess**, who established monasteries there with her resources and governed them worthily.
6. At Genoa in Liguria, **Saint Hugh, religious**, who, after having long served as a soldier in the Holy Land, as commander of the **Commandery of the Order of Saint John of Jerusalem** shone in this city by his kindness and charity toward the needy.
7. At London in England, **the blessed John Adams, Robert Dibdale, and John Lowe, priests and martyrs**, who, under Queen Elizabeth I, ministered separately to the Catholic people and, for this reason, were condemned to death and at Tyburn, through the most bitter torments, together attained the heavenly kingdom.

October 9th

This Day, the Ninth Day of October

Saints Denis, bishop, and his companions, of whom it is handed down that he was sent by the Roman Pontiff into France and, having become the first bishop of Paris, near Lutetia was martyred together with the priest Rusticus and the deacon Eleutherius.

Saint John Leonardi, priest, who in Lucca in Etruria abandoned the practice of apothecary medicine in order to be initiated into the priesthood. Zealous for teaching children the Christian doctrine, for restoring apostolic life among the clergy, and for spreading the Christian faith everywhere, he founded *the Clerics Regular, later called of the Mother of God*. For this cause he endured many tribulations, and in Rome laid the foundations of *the College for the Propagation of the Faith*, where, worn out by his labors, he peacefully died.

3. Commemoration of Saint Abraham, patriarch and father of all the faithful, who, when the Lord called, departed from the city of Ur of the Chaldeans, his homeland, and wandered through the land promised by God to him and to his descendants. Likewise, he manifested his entire faith in God when, hoping against hope, he did not refuse to offer in sacrifice Isaac, his only-begotten son, given to him in old age by the Lord from a barren wife.

4. At Laodicea in Syria, the passion of the holy martyrs Diodorus, Diomedes, and Didymus.

5. At Julia, in the territory of Parma on the Via Claudia, Saint Domninus, martyr.

6. At Antioch in Syria, the commemoration of Saint Publia, who, her husband having died, entered a monastery and, when the Apostate Emperor Julian was passing by, sang with her virgins the Davidic words: “The idols of the nations are silver and gold,” and “Let those who make them become like them.” By the emperor’s order, she was struck on the face and harshly rebuked.

7. In the district of Bigorre on the slope of the Pyrenees Mountains, Saint Sabinus, hermit, who made monastic life illustrious in Aquitaine.

8. At Tifernum Tiberinum in Umbria, **Saint Dominus, hermit.**

9. In Hainaut in Austrasia, **Saint Ghislain**, who lived a monastic life in a cell he had built for himself.

10. At Monte Cassino, **Saint Deusdedit, abbot**, who was thrown into prison by the tyrant Sicard and there, exhausted by hunger and hardship, gave up his spirit to God.

11. At Braunau in Bohemia, **the repose of Saint Gunther, hermit**, who, having abandoned worldly pleasures, first withdrew to the seclusion of monastic life, and then to the remote forest solitudes between Bavaria and Bohemia, where he lived as united to God as he was separated from men and there died.

12. At the monastery of Montsalvy in France, **Saint Bernard of Rodez, abbot** of the Canons Regular.

13. At Valencia in Spain, **Saint Louis Bertrand, priest** of the Order of Preachers, who in South America preached the Gospel of Christ to various indigenous peoples and defended them from their oppressors.

14. At *Turón* in the region of Asturias in Spain, **the holy martyrs Innocent of the Immaculate (Emmanuel) Canoura Arnau, priest** of the Congregation of the Passion, **and eight companions** ² of the Brothers of the Christian Schools, who, during the troubles of that time, were slain without trial out of hatred for the faith and attained their final victory.

October 10th

This Day, the Tenth Day of October

1. Commemoration of Saint Pinytius, bishop of Knossos on the island of Crete, who flourished under the emperors Marcus Aurelius Verus and Lucius Aurelius Commodus, and through his writings took the greatest care to provide for the faith and spiritual advancement of the flock entrusted to him.

2. At Nicomedia in Bithynia, the holy martyrs Eulampius and his sister Eulampia, in the persecution of the emperor Diocletian.

3. At Cologne in Germany, the holy martyrs Gereon and his companions, who for true piety bravely laid down their necks to the swords.

4. At the village of Birten, also in the district of Cologne in Germany, the holy martyrs Victor and Mallosius.

5. At Bonn, also in Germany, the holy martyrs Cassius and Florentius.

6. At Nantes in Gaul (Lugdunensis), Saint Clarus, who is venerated as the first bishop of that city.

7. At Populonia in Etruria, Saint Cerbonius, bishop, who, as Pope Saint Gregory the Great recounts, withdrew to the island of Elba when the Lombards were devastating the region, showing many signs of his virtue.

8. Near Ramerupt in the countryside of Troyes, also in Neustria, **Saint Tanca, virgin and martyr**, who, as is said, in defense of her virginity suffered a glorious death.

9. At Rochester in England, **the passing of Saint Paulinus, bishop** of York, who, a monk and disciple of Pope Saint Gregory the Great, was sent by him with others to preach the Gospel to the English. He converted King Edwin of Northumbria to the faith of Christ and baptized his people in the rivers with the laver of regeneration.

10. In the monastery of Jouarre in the district of Meaux in Neustria, **Saint Telchilde, abbess**, who, noble by birth, shining in merit and strong in virtue, taught consecrated virgins to go out to meet Christ with lamps burning.

11. At Ceuta in Mauretania Tingitana, **the passion of seven holy martyrs** from the Order of Friars Minor—**namely, Daniel, Samuel, Angelus, Leo, Nicholas, Hugolinus, priests, and Domnus**—who were sent by Brother Elias to preach the Gospel of Christ among the Moors, and after enduring insults, chains, and scourging, at last, by beheading, attained the palm of martyrdom.

12. At Bridlington in England, **Saint John, priest**, who, as **prior** of the monastery of the Canons Regular of Saint Augustine, was known for his prayer, austerity, and gentleness.

13. In the city of *Khartoum* in Sudan, **Saint Daniel Comboni, bishop**, who founded *the Institute for the Missions to Africa* and, having been appointed bishop in Africa, spared no effort in spreading the Gospel throughout those regions and providing for human dignity in many ways.

14. At Kraków in Poland, **blessed Angela Maria (Zofia Kamila) Truszkowska, virgin**, who founded *the Franciscan Congregation under the title of Saint Felix of Cantalice* to help abandoned children, the poor, and the marginalized.

15. At the town of Działdowo, also in Poland, **Blessed Leon Wetmański**, auxiliary bishop of Płock, who, during the wicked persecution in Poland against God and man, completed his martyrdom by a fearless death in a detention camp.

16. At Linz in Austria, **blessed Edward Detkens, martyr**, who, a Pole by nationality, during the same time died from the torture of lethal asphyxiation.

October 11th

This Day, the Eleventh Day of October

1. Commemoration of Saint Philip, who, one of the seven deacons chosen by the Apostles, converted Samaria to the faith of Christ, baptized the eunuch of Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, and preached the Gospel in every city through which he passed, until he came to Caesarea, where he is said to have rested.

2. At Anazarbus in Cilicia, **the holy martyrs Tharacus, Probus, and Andronicus**, who offered their lives for the confession of Christ during the persecution of the emperor Diocletian.

3. In the region of Vexin in Lugdunensian France, **the commemoration of the holy martyrs Nicasius, Quirinus, Scubiculus, and Pientia**.

4. At Verdun, also in France, **Saint Sanctinus, bishop**, who is believed to have been the first to preach the Gospel there.
5. **Commemoration of Saint Sarmata, abbot** in the Thebaid, who was a disciple of Saint Anthony and was killed by Saracens.
6. At Uzès in Narbonese France, **Saint Firminus, bishop**, who, a disciple of Saint Caesarius of Arles, taught his people the way of truth.
7. In the region of Ossory in Ireland, **Saint Canice, abbot** of the monastery of Achadh Bó, which he founded among many others.
8. Near the fortress of Schemarin in the Caucasus Mountains, **the natal day of Saint Anastasius, priest and apocrisiarius** of the Roman Church, who, a companion of Saint Maximus the Confessor in exile and in the confession of the Catholic faith, during the holy Liturgy, while saying, “Holy things for the holy,” gave up his soul to God.
9. At Lier in Brabant, **Saint Gummarus**, who, though **a soldier**, was devout toward God and built a chapel there from his own goods, where he was laid to rest.
10. At Cologne in Lorraine of Germany, **Saint Bruno, bishop**, brother of Emperor Otto I, who, having assumed the government of Lorraine along with the episcopate, fulfilled the office of priest with great devotion and met the needs of the time with the virtue of a magnanimous leader.
11. At Gniezno in Poland, **Saint Gaudentius, also called Radzim, bishop**, who, both in flesh and spirit the brother and faithful companion of Saint Adalbert,

bishop of Prague, was present at his martyrdom and was afterward thrown into chains.

12. At Riga on the Baltic Sea, **commemoration of Saint Meinhard, bishop**, who, first a monk in Germany, already advanced in age undertook the journey to evangelize the people of Livonia. He built the church at Uxkull, and having been ordained bishop, actively laid the foundations of the Christian faith in that region.

13. At Bologna in Emilia, **blessed James of Ulm Griesinger, religious** of the Order of Preachers, who, although unlettered, was a most skilled painter of stained glass and gave for fifty years to all an example of work and prayer.

14. At Calosso in Lombardy, **the passing of Saint Alexander Sauli**, first **bishop** of Aleria on the island of Corsica, then of Pavia, who, of the Congregation of Clerics Regular of Saint Paul, wonderfully assisted the poor with charity.

15. At Hanoi in Tonkin [Vietnam], **Saint Peter Lê Tuy, priest and martyr**, who was beheaded for Christ under the emperor Minh Mạng.

16. At Madrid in Spain, **Saint María Desolata (Emmanuela) Torres Acosta, virgin**, who from her youth showed marvelous concern for the poor and the sick, helping them with tireless self-denial, especially through *the Congregation of the Servants of Mary, Ministers to the Sick*, which she founded.

17. At Barcelona, also in Spain, **blessed Ángel Ramos Velázquez, religious** of the Salesian Society and martyr, who, in a time of persecution against the Church, completed his struggle for the faith.

October 12th

This Day, the Twelvth Day of October

1. At Rome on the Via Laurentina, **Saint Hedistus, martyr.**
2. At Anazarbus in Cilicia, **Saint Domnina, martyr**, who, under the emperor Diocletian and the governor Lycianus, is said to have endured many torments and to have given up her spirit to God in prison.
3. **Commemoration of four thousand nine hundred sixty-six holy martyrs and confessors of the faith**, who, during the Vandal persecution in Africa—being bishops, priests, or deacons of the Church of God and **joined by crowds of faithful laity**—were driven into exile in the dreadful desert by order of Huneric, the Arian king, out of hatred for Catholic truth; and in the end, having been cruelly tortured in various ways, they celebrated their martyrdom. Among them were **Cyprian and Felix, bishops** and distinguished priests of the Lord.
4. At Piacenza in Emilia, **Saint Opilion, deacon.**
5. At Rome, **Saint Felix IV, pope**, who converted two temples in the Roman Forum into a church in honor of Saints Cosmas and Damian and labored greatly for the Catholic faith.

6. In Noricum Ripense, **Saint Maximilian**, who is believed to have been **bishop** of Lauriacum.
7. At Pavia in Lombardy, **Saint Rotobald, bishop**, a man of exemplary abstinence, devoted above all to divine worship and the gathering of saints' relics.
8. At Ascoli in Piceno, Italy, **Saint Seraphin of Montegranaro (Felix de Nicola)**, **religious** of the Order of Friars Minor Capuchin, who, a true poor man, shone with humility and piety.
9. At London in England, **blessed Thomas Bullaker, priest** of the Order of Friars Minor **and martyr**, who, under King Charles I, was arrested while celebrating Mass and, because he was a priest, was hanged at Tyburn, disemboweled while still breathing, and died.
10. In the village of *Ribarroja de Turia* in the region of Valencia, Spain, blessed Joseph González Huguet, priest and martyr, who, during a fierce persecution against the faith, fought a noble battle for Christ.
11. In the village of *Massamagrell*, in the same region of Spain, blessed Pacificus (Peter) Salcedo Puchades, religious of the Order of Friars Minor Capuchin and martyr, who, in the same persecution, was conformed to the Passion of Christ.
12. At the extermination camp of *Oświęcim*, or *Auschwitz*, near Kraków in Poland, **blessed Roman Sitko, priest and martyr**, who, during the occupation of Poland in wartime, cruelly tortured by persecutors of humanity and religion, passed over to the vision of eternal beatitude.

October 13th

This Day, the Thirteenth Day of October

1. **Commemoration of Saint Theophilus, Bishop** of Antioch, a man of the highest learning, who, sixth after the blessed Apostle Peter, held the episcopate of that Church, and composed a book against Marcion for the defense of the orthodox faith.
2. At Córdoba in Bætica, Spain, **the holy martyrs Faustus, Januarius, and Martial**, who, like three crowns, adorn the city.
3. At Thessalonica in Macedonia, **Saint Florentius, martyr**, who, after various torments, is said to have been killed by fire.
4. At Kobern on the Moselle near Trier, **Saint Lubentius, priest**.
5. At Matuta on the Ligurian coast, **the repose of Saint Romulus, Bishop** of Genoa, who, filled with apostolic zeal, died while visiting the people in the countryside.
6. At Tours in the region of Lyon in France, **Saint Venantius, abbot**, who, though still of youthful age, had taken a wife, and, being led to the basilica of Saint Martin and moved by the life of the monks, chose, his wife consenting, to live among them in Christ.
7. At Solignac in the region of Limoges in Aquitaine, **Saint Leobonus, hermit**.

8. On the island of Iona in Scotland, **the repose of Saint Comgan, abbot**, who came to that region from Ireland with his sister, Saint Kentigerna, her sons, and several missionaries.
9. At Augsburg in Bavaria, Germany, **Saint Simbert**, who was **bishop and abbot** of Murbach.
10. At Cézerniac in the region of Auvergne, France, **Saint Gerald**, who, Count of Aurillac, for the salvation of his provinces, secretly led a monastic life under secular garb, and offered a memorable example to rulers.
11. Near Subiaco in Latium, **Saint Chelidonia, virgin**, who is said to have lived a solitary and most austere life, serving God alone for fifty-two years.
12. At Trino in Montferrat, **blessed Magdalene Panattieri, virgin**, a sister of the Penitents of Saint Dominic.
13. In the village of *Balasar* near Braga in Portugal, **blessed Alexandrina Maria da Costa**, who, rendered immobile in all her limbs in order to escape the evil will of a certain man toward her, offered all her sufferings to the Lord, in contemplation of the Eucharist, for love of God and for her needy brethren.
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October 14th

This Day, the Fourteenth Day of October

Saint Callistus the First, Pope and Martyr, who, as deacon, after a long exile in Sardinia, took charge of the cemetery bearing his name on the Appian Way, where he left behind memorials worthy of veneration for future generations; elected pope, he promoted right doctrine and kindly reconciled the lapsed, and at last gloriously brought his industrious episcopate to completion by martyrdom. On this day is commemorated the burial of his body at Rome on the Aurelian Way in the cemetery of Calepodius.

2. At Capua in Campania, **Saint Lupulus, martyr.**

3. At Rimini in Emilia, **Saint Gaudentius**, who is believed to have been the first **bishop** of that city during the time of persecution.

4. At Bruges in Belgic France, **the commemoration of Saint Donatian, bishop** of Reims, whose relics are kept in this city.

5. At Todi in Umbria, **Saint Fortunatus, bishop**, who, as Pope Saint Gregory the Great reports, shone with the grace of extraordinary virtue in aiding prisoners.

6. In the region of Châlons in the Champagne of France, **Saint Manechildis, virgin.**

7. At Luni in Liguria, **the commemoration of Saint Venantius, bishop**, who took special care for the clergy and monks and was held in honor and friendship by Pope Saint Gregory the Great.

8. Near Beauvais in Neustria, **Saint Angadrisma, abbess** of the monastery founded by Saint Ebrulf and called Oratory, which had several places of prayer where she served the Lord without ceasing.

9. At San Severino in Picenum, Italy, **Saint Dominic, priest** of the Camaldolese Order, **surnamed Loricatus** because of the iron shirt he wore around his flesh, who, having been ordained simoniacally, became a hermit monk and, as a disciple of Saint Peter Damian, led a life of the greatest austerity and discipline.

10. At Angers in France, **blessed James Laigneau de Langellerie, priest and martyr**, who, during the storms of the French upheaval, was beheaded because of his priesthood.

11. In the village of *Picadero de Paterna* in the region of Valencia, Spain, **blessed Anna Maria Aranda Riera, virgin and martyr**, who, while the persecution against the faith was raging, poured out her blood for Christ.

12. In the internment camp of Dachau near Munich in Bavaria, Germany, **blessed Stanislaus Mysakowski and Francis Roslaniec, priests and martyrs**, who, while Poland was occupied during wartime by men hostile to God and humanity, completed their martyrdom through the pollution of poisonous gas.

13. At Lviv in Ukraine, **blessed Roman Lysko, priest and martyr**, who, during a time of persecution against the faith, cleaving constantly to the footsteps of Christ, through His grace attained the heavenly kingdoms.

October 15th

This Day, the Fifteenth Day of October

Memorial of **Saint Teresa of Jesus, virgin and doctor of the Church**, who, at Ávila in Spain, having been enrolled in the Order of Carmelites, became mother and teacher of stricter observance; she arranged in her heart a spiritual progress under the image of an ascent by degrees of love toward God; for the reform of her Order she endured many hardships, which indeed she overcame with an unconquered spirit; she also composed books filled with her most lofty doctrine and experience.

2. At Edessa in Syria, **the commemoration of Saint Barses, bishop**, who, by the Arian emperor Valens, was banished to distant regions on account of the Catholic faith, and, having been worn out by the change of exile three times, on an unknown day of the month of March ended his life.

3. At Trier in Gallia Belgica, **Saint Severus, bishop**, who, a disciple of Saint Lupus of Troyes, was companion to Saint Germanus of Auxerre in rooting out in Britain the errors of Pelagius and preached the Gospel of Christ among the Germans.

4. At Kitzingen in Germany, **Saint Thecla, abbess**, who, having been sent from England to help Saint Boniface, first presided over the monastery of Ochsenfurt, then over that of Kitzingen.

5. In the monastery of Trebnitz in Silesia, **the birthday [into heaven] of Saint Hedwig, religious**, whose memorial is celebrated tomorrow.

6. At Torres Vedras in Lusitania, **blessed Gonçalo de Lagos, priest** of the Order of Hermits of Saint Augustine, who excelled in teaching the Christian precepts to children and the unlearned.

7. At Nagasaki in Japan, **Saint Magdalene, virgin and martyr**, strong in spirit both in fostering the faith and in enduring the punishment of the gallows for thirteen days under the emperor Iemitsu.

8. At Valencia in Spain, **blessed Narcís Basté Basté, priest** of the Society of Jesus **and martyr**, who, faithfully receiving the words of Christ, in a time of persecution against the faith, passed through death into glorious life.

October 16th

This Day, the Sixteenth Day of October

Saint Hedwig, **religious**, who, of Bavarian stock and duchess of the Poles, was greatly devoted to the aid of the poor, for whom she founded hospices, and after the death of her husband Duke Henry, spent the rest of her life laboriously in a monastery of Cistercian nuns which she herself had established and over which her daughter Gertrude presided as abbess. She died at Trzebnica in Poland on the fifteenth day of October.

Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque, **virgin**, who, having been admitted among the nuns of the Order of the Visitation of the blessed Virgin Mary, advanced in a wondrous way along the path

of perfection and, endowed with mystical gifts, was especially solicitous for devotion to *the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus*, for the promotion of whose veneration in the Church she accomplished many things. She fell asleep in the Lord at Paray-le-Monial in the region of Autun in France on the seventeenth day of October.

3. At Jerusalem, **the commemoration of Saint Longinus**, who is honored as *the soldier who opened the side of the Lord fixed to the Cross with a lance*.

4. In the countryside of Toul in France, **Saint Eliphius**, who is said to have received the crown of **martyrdom**.

5. **The commemoration of Saints Martinian and Saturian, martyrs** in Africa, **along with their two brothers**, who, during the Vandal persecution under the Arian king Genseric, were servants of a certain Vandal and, having been converted to the faith of Christ by Saint Maxima, a virgin and their fellow servant, for the constancy of their Catholic faith were first beaten with knotted clubs and torn to the bone, then exiled among the Moors, where, having brought several to the faith of Christ, they were condemned to death; Maxima herself, after enduring many struggles and being freed, rested with a holy end in a monastery as mother of many virgins.

6. In the territory of Limoges in Aquitaine, **Saints Amandus and his disciple Junian, hermits**.

7. At Arbon in Germany, **Saint Gall, priest and monk**, who, while still a boy, was received by Saint Columban into the monastery of Bangor in Ireland, and eventually in this region zealously spread the Gospel and trained brethren in monastic discipline, until, nearly one hundred years old, he rested in God.

8. At Noyon in Neustria, **Saint Mummolinus, bishop**, who, first a monk, assisted Saint Audomarus in missionary work, and then succeeded Saint Eligius in the episcopal see.

9. In the monastery of Hersfeld in Franconia in Germany, **Saint Lullus, bishop** of Mainz, who, as companion and helper of Saint Boniface in the office of preaching, was ordained bishop by him, that he might be a teacher for priests, a guide in the Rule for monks, and a faithful preacher and pastor for the Christian people.

10. In the region of Retz near Nantes in Brittany, **Saint Vitalis, hermit**.

11. In the region of Mirepoix at the foot of the Pyrenees in France, **Saint Gauderic, farmer**, renowned for his piety toward the Mother of God.

12. At Brioude among the Arverni in Aquitaine, **Saint Bonita, virgin**.

13. At Pamiers, also at the Pyrenees in France, **Saint Anastasius, monk**, who, born in Venice, first led a hermit's life on the island of Tombelaine near Mont-Saint-Michel, then lived as a monk at Cluny, and finally withdrew into solitude during his last years.

14. At Saint-Bertrand-de-Comminges, likewise among the mountains of the Pyrenees in France, **Saint Bertrand, bishop**, who, following the counsels of Pope Saint Gregory VII, energetically took part in the reform of the Church, restored his city, which had been ruined through neglect, and in the fully rebuilt cathedral church, established canons regular bound to the discipline of Saint Augustine.

15. In the monastery of Igny in the region of Reims in France, **the passing of blessed Gerard of Clairvaux, abbot**, who, while visiting this monastery, was killed by a wicked monk.

16. At Muro Lucano in Basilicata, **Saint Gerard Majella, religious** of the Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer, who, seized by the impulse of love for God, embraced everywhere a most austere manner of life, and consumed with zeal for God and souls, peacefully rested while still young.

17. Near Kraków in Poland, in the extermination camp of *Oświęcim*, or *Auschwitz*, **the blessed martyrs Anicetus Koplński**, of the Order of Friars Minor Capuchin, **and Joseph Jankowski**, of the Society of the Catholic Apostolate, **priests**, who, when their homeland was invaded by followers of a wicked doctrine hostile to men and to the faith, the one was confined in a gas chamber poisoned with deadly gas, the other was slain by the camp guards, bearing witness to the faith of Christ even unto death.

October 17th

This Day, the Seventeenth Day of October

Memorial of **Saint Ignatius, bishop and martyr**, who, a disciple of Saint John the Apostle and second after Saint Peter, ruled the Church of Antioch and, under the emperor Trajan, condemned to the beasts, was brought to Rome and there was crowned with glorious martyrdom. On the journey, while he experienced the savagery of the guards, as if of leopards, he wrote seven letters to different Churches, in which he exhorted the brethren to serve God in

unity with the bishops and not to prevent him from being sacrificed as a victim for Christ.

2. Commemoration of Saint Hosea, the prophet, who not only by words, but also by the manner of his life, revealed to the unfaithful people of Israel the Lord as an ever-faithful Bridegroom moved by infinite mercy.

3. Commemoration of Saints Rufus and Zosimus, martyrs, whom blessed Polycarp associated with Saint Ignatius in martyrdom, writing to the Philippians: “They were partakers of the sufferings of the Lord, and they did not love the present age, but Him who died and rose again for them and for all.”

4. In Proconsular Africa, the holy martyrs of Voli, whom Saint Augustine celebrated in a sermon.

5. At Lycopolis in Egypt, Saint John, hermit, who, among other outstanding virtues, was also remarkable for the prophetic spirit.

6. At Agen in Aquitaine, Saint Dulcidius, bishop, who fiercely defended the Catholic faith against the impiety of the Arians.

7. At Orange in the Province of France, Saint Florentius, bishop.

8. At Toulouse also in France, the birth into heaven of blessed Gilbert, abbot of Cîteaux, who, an Englishman by birth, a man of sublime learning, defended Saint Thomas Becket in exile.

9. At Binasco in Lombardy, **blessed Balthasar Ravaschieri de Clavario, priest** of the Order of Friars Minor.

10. At Wrexham in Wales, **Saint Richard Gwyn, martyr**, who, a **father of a family and schoolmaster**, professed the Catholic faith and, arrested for having persuaded others to convert to it, after long tortures, remained steadfast in the faith and was hanged and dismembered while still alive.

11. At Rome, **blessed Peter of the Nativity of the blessed Virgin Mary Casani, priest** of the Order of Clerics Regular of the Pious Schools, who used the gifts of nature and grace for the instruction of children, gladly serving the Lord in the little ones.

12. At Paray-le-Monial, in the region of Autun in France, **the passing of Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque, virgin**, whose memorial is celebrated on the previous day.

13. In the region of La Vallée de Guyon, also in France, **blessed James Burin, priest and martyr**, who, during the time of the French upheaval, while secretly fulfilling many pastoral duties, fleeing from house to house from a band of pursuers, was finally stabbed to death while holding the chalice in his hands.

14. At Valence, also in France, **the blesseds Mary-Natalie of Saint Louis (Marie-Louise-Joseph Vanot) and four companions,³ virgins** of the Ursuline Order **and martyrs**, who, during the French upheaval, condemned to death out of hatred for the Catholic faith, ascended the scaffold while reciting the psalm *Miserere*.

15. At Hue in Annam [Vietnam], **Saint Isidore Gagelin, priest** of the Paris Foreign Missions Society **and martyr**, who, under the emperor Minh Mạng, was strangled for Christ.

16. At Suna on Lake Verbano in Italy, **blessed Contardo Ferrini**, who, in educating the young, surpassed human learning with faith and Christian life.

17. Near Ciudad Real in Spain, **blessed Fidel Fuidio Rodríguez, religious** of the Society of Mary **and martyr**, who, during the persecution against the faith, was pierced by bullets and passed to the Lord.

18. At *La Nucía* near Alicante, also in Spain, **blessed Raymond Stephen Bou Pascual, priest and martyr**, who, in the same persecution, merited to be redeemed as a faithful disciple in the blood of Christ.

19. In the town of *Algemesí* in the Valencian region, also in Spain, **blessed Tarsilla Cordoba Belda, martyr**, who, a **mother of a family**, in the same period was heard in Christ into glory.

October 18th

This Day, the Eighteenth Day of October

Feast of **Saint Luke, Evangelist**, who, as is said, was born of a pagan family at Antioch and was a physician by profession.

Converted to the faith of Christ, he became the most beloved companion of blessed Paul the Apostle. In the Gospel book, he carefully

arranged all things that Jesus did and taught, as the scribe of Christ's gentleness, and likewise, in the *Acts of the Apostles*, he recounted the beginnings of the life of the Church up to Paul's first sojourn in the City.

2. At Antioch in Syria, **Saint Asclepiades, bishop**, who was one of the distinguished number of confessors of the faith during the time of persecution.
3. At Pozzuoli in Campania, **the holy martyrs Proculus, deacon, Eutychius, and Acutius**.
4. At Riom among the Arverni in Aquitaine, **Saint Amabilis, priest**.
5. At Nassogne in Austrasian Brabant, **Saint Monon**, who is believed to have been a **hermit** in the forest of the Ardennes and a **martyr**.
6. At Arenas, in the region of Castile in Spain, **Saint Peter of Alcántara, priest** of the Order of Friars Minor, who, endowed with the gift of counsel and with a life of penance and austerity, reformed the observance of regular discipline in the convents of the Order throughout Spain, and was a counselor to Saint Teresa of Jesus in the reform of the Carmelite Order.
7. In the village of Ossernenon, in Canadian territory, **the passion of Saint Isaac Jogues, priest** of the Society of Jesus and martyr, who was first reduced to slavery by the natives and had his fingers mutilated, and at last died when his head was struck with a blow of a tomahawk; his memorial, along with that of his companions, is celebrated on the following day.
8. At Rome, **the heavenly birthday of Saint Paul of the Cross, priest**, whose memorial is observed tomorrow.

October 19th

This Day, the Nineteenth Day of October

Holy martyrs **John de Brébeuf, Isaac Jogues, priests, and their companions** of the Society of Jesus, on the day on which Saint Jean de la Lande, religious, was killed by certain pagans of the place in the village of *Ossernenon*, then in Canadian territory, where also, a few years earlier, Saint René Goupil had obtained the palm of martyrdom. **With one and the same veneration are honored on this day their fellow members Saint Gabriel Lalemant, Anthony Daniel, Charles Garnier, and Noël Chabanel**, who, in the territory of Canada, on different days and after many labors undertaken in the mission among the Hurons to proclaim the Gospel of Christ to the peoples of that region, fell as martyrs.

Saint **Paul of the Cross, priest**, who, already from youth, was notable for penance and zeal and was inflamed with singular charity toward Christ crucified, seen in the face of the poor and the sick. He founded *the Congregation of Clerics Regular of the Cross and Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ*; his heavenly birthday, however, occurs at Rome on the previous day.

3. **Commemoration of Saint Joel, prophet**, who foretold the great day of the Lord and the mystery of the outpouring of His Spirit upon all flesh, which on the day of Pentecost the divine majesty deigned wonderfully to fulfill in Christ.
4. At Rome, **the commemoration of the holy Ptolemaeus, Lucius, and another companion**, who, as Saint Justin reports, were proven Christians and, because they condemned either immorality in customs or injustice in judgments, were condemned by the prefect Lollius Urbicus under the emperor Antoninus Pius.
5. At Ostia on the Tiber, **Saint Asterius, martyr**.
6. At Sens in the region around Lyon, France, **the commemoration of Saints Sabinian and Potentian**, who are held to have been the first pastors of that city and there completed their confession by martyrdom.
7. In Egypt, **Saint Varus, soldier**, who, under the emperor Maximian, while visiting and comforting six holy hermits detained in prison, after the seventh had died in the desert, wished to take his place, and having suffered most cruelly with them, gained the palm of martyrdom.
8. At Iluro near the Pyrenees in Aquitaine, **commemoration of Saint Grat, bishop**, who, in the time of Alaric, king of the Arian Goths, attended the Council of Agde to restore the Church of that region of France.
9. In Brittany, **Saint Ethbin, monk**, who lived a solitary life.
10. At Cavaillon in Provence, **Saint Veranus, bishop**, who was endowed with great virtues, especially in treating the sick.

11. At Évreux, also in France, **Saint Aquilinus, bishop**, who, as it is said, while he was a soldier, devoted himself to good works and, with the consent of his wife, made a vow of continence and was raised to this see.

12. At Oxford in England, **Saint Frideswide, virgin**, who, born of royal lineage and made **abbess**, ruled over two monasteries, one of monks and the other of nuns.

13. At Biville near Cherbourg in Normandy, **blessed Thomas Hélye, priest**, who spent his days in sacred ministry and his nights in prayer and penance.

14. At London in England, **Saint Philip Howard, martyr**, who, **Earl of Arundel and father of a family**, fell from the favor of Queen Elizabeth because he had embraced the Catholic faith, and was cast into prison, where, wonderfully devoted to prayer and penance, consumed by want and hardships, he merited to receive the crown of martyrdom.

15. At Nagasaki in Japan, **the holy martyrs Luke Alonso Gorda, priest, and Matthew Kohioye, religious**, both of the Order of Preachers, the former of whom first served fearlessly in the Philippines and then for a decade in Japan as a minister of the Gospel, and the latter, eighteen years old, was his companion in spreading and bearing witness to the faith.

16. At Langeac, on the Allier River in France, **blessed Agnes of Jesus Galand, virgin** of the Order of Preachers, who, as **prioress** of the convent, stood out with ardent love for Jesus Christ and zeal for the Church, offering continuous prayers and penances for its shepherds.

October 20th

This Day, the Twentieth Day of October

1. **Commemoration of Saint Cornelius, centurion**, whom Saint Peter the Apostle baptized at Caesarea in Palestine, the firstfruits of the Church from among the Gentiles.
2. At Agen in Aquitaine, **Saint Caprasius, martyr**.
3. At Aulnay in the countryside of Reims in Neustria, **Saint Sindulph, hermit**, who led a solitary life, known to God alone.
4. At Salzburg in Bavaria, **Saint Vitalis, bishop**, who, born in Ireland, was a disciple of Saint Rupert, a companion in his travels, and imitator of his labors and vigils; chosen by him as his successor, he converted the people of Pinzgau to the faith of Christ.
5. At Constantinople, **Saint Andrew**, called “of the Crisis” or “the Calybite,” **monk and martyr**, who was born on the island of Crete. On account of his veneration of sacred Images, under the emperor Constantine Copronymus, he was repeatedly beaten and subjected to tortures unto death, and finally, hurled from the city wall into filth, he was put to death.
6. At Troyes on the Seine in France, **Saint Aderald, archdeacon**, who, by his warnings and example, made illustrious the canonical rule, even while he was held captive by the Saracens in the Holy Land.

7. At Sévigny in Normandy, **Saint Adeline**, first **abbess** of the monastery of Mortain, which she founded with the help of her brother Saint Vitalis.

8. At Lviv in Ruthenia, **blessed Jacob Strepa, bishop** of Halicz, of the Order of Friars Minor, distinguished for pastoral solicitude and apostolic virtues.

9. At Treviso in Italy, **Saint Maria Bertilla (Anna Francesca) Boscardin, virgin** of the Congregation of the Sisters of Saint Dorothy of the Sacred Hearts, who in the hospital was solicitous for both the bodily and spiritual health of the sick.

10. At Vienna in Austria, **blessed James (Francis Alexander) Kern, priest** of the Order of Premonstratensians, who, while still a student, was called to arms in the First World War and seriously wounded; afterward, he devoted himself with great care to pastoral ministry, which he exercised only briefly, for he was afflicted with a long and bitter illness, which he bore with courage of soul, peacefully submitting to the will of God.

October 21st

This Day, the Twenty-first Day of October

1. At Nicomedia in Bithynia, **the holy martyrs Dasius, Zoticus, and Caius**, who, being members of Diocletian's household and accused of setting fire to the palace, were sentenced to death and, with millstones tied around their necks, were drowned in the sea.

2. At Cologne in Germany, **the commemoration of holy virgins**, who completed their lives in martyrdom for Christ, where afterward a basilica of the city was built and dedicated in honor of the maiden Ursula, an innocent virgin, regarded as the leader among them.
3. On the island of Cyprus, **Saint Hilarion, abbot**, who, following in the footsteps of Saint Anthony, first lived a solitary life near Gaza, and then in that province became the founder and model of the eremitical way of life.
4. **Commemoration of Saint Malchus, monk**, whose asceticism and illustrious life at Maronia near Antioch in Syria was recounted by Saint Jerome.
5. At Bordeaux in Aquitaine, **Saint Severinus, bishop**, whom Saint Amandus, bishop, honorably received when he came from the East and desired to make him his successor.
6. At Laon in France, **Saint Cilinia, mother** of the holy bishops Principius of Soissons and Remigius of Reims.
7. At Lyon in France, **commemoration of Saint Viator, lector**, who, disciple and minister of Saint Justus, bishop of Lyon, followed him into the solitude of Egypt and remained with him unto death.
8. At Trier in Austrasia, **Saint Wendelin, hermit**.
9. At Marseille in the Province of France, **Saint Maurontius, bishop**, who had also been abbot of the church of Saint Victor.

10. At Cortona in Etruria, **blessed Peter Capucci, priest** of the Order of Preachers, who, through meditation on death, directed himself toward heavenly things, and by diligent preaching warned the faithful not to fall into eternal death.

11. At Seoul in Korea, **Saint Peter Yu Tae-ch'ol, martyr**, who, at thirteen years of age, exhorted his fellow captives in prison to endure their torments, and after being beaten with a hundred blows, was finally strangled by a noose, fulfilling his martyrdom.

12. In the village of *Belencito* near Medellín in Colombia, **blessed Laura of Saint Catherine of Siena Montoya y Upegui, virgin**, who committed herself with great fruit for God to the proclamation of the Gospel among indigenous peoples still lacking the faith of Christ, and founded *the Congregation of the Missionary Sisters of Mary Immaculate and Saint Catherine of Siena*.

October 22nd

This Day, the Twenty-second Day of October

1. Commemoration of Saint Mark, bishop of Jerusalem, who was the first from among the Gentiles to take up the governance of the Church of the holy city, which, having been scattered in fear, he is said to have gathered together again by his faith and diligence.

2. At Hierapolis in Phrygia, **Saint Abercius, bishop**, who, a disciple of Christ the Good Shepherd, is said to have led the faith as a pilgrim through various regions and to have nourished it with mystical food.
3. At Adrianople in Thrace, **the holy martyrs Philip, bishop** of Heraclea, **and Hermes, deacon**, of whom the former, at the beginning of the persecution of the emperor Diocletian, when ordered to close the church and to show all its vessels and books, said to the governor Justinus that the things he demanded could neither be given by him nor received by the governor; after prison and scourging, he was burned with the deacon in the fire.
4. At Rouen in the region around Lyon, France, **Saint Mellon, bishop**, who is said to have proclaimed the Christian faith in that city and to have established the episcopal see.
5. In the territory of Besançon in Germania, **Saint Valerius, deacon** of the Church of Langres, killed by pagans.
6. In the district of Châlons in Neustria, **Saint Lupentius, abbot** of the basilica of Saint Privatus of the Gévaudan, who, having unjustly suffered many cruel things from Innocent, count of the city, was beheaded.
7. At Auch in Aquitaine, **Saint Leotadius, bishop**.
8. In the monastery of Berceto in Lombardy, **Saint Moderanus, abbot**, formerly bishop of Rennes in France, remarkable for his love of solitude and devotion toward the places of the saints.

9. In the territory of Nantes in Brittany, **Saint Benedict**, who lived an eremitical life at Macérais.

10. At Huesca in Aragon of Spain, **the holy virgins and martyrs Nunilo and Alodia**, who, having an unbelieving father but taught in Christian doctrine by their mother, when they refused to abandon the faith of Christ, after a long imprisonment, by order of ‘Abd ar-Rahman II, king of Córdoba, fell beneath the stroke of the sword.

11. At Fiesole in Etruria, **Saint Donatus the Scot, bishop**, who, renowned for learning and piety, traveling as a pilgrim from Ireland to Rome, was given by God as an outstanding pastor to the people of this city.

October 23rd

This Day, the Twenty-third Day of October

Saint John of Capestrano, priest of the Order of Minors, who championed regular discipline and ministered through nearly all of Europe to strengthen the Catholic faith and morals; by the fervor of his exhortations and prayers he sustained the people of the faithful and devoted himself to defending the liberty of Christians. At the place *Ujlak*, finally, on the bank of the Danube in the kingdom of Hungary, he departed from life.

2. Near Cádiz in the region of Baetica in Spain, **the saints Servandus and Germanus, martyrs** in the persecution of the emperor Diocletian.
3. In Persia, **the holy martyrs John, bishop, and James, priest**, who, under King Shapur II, were cast into prison and after a year brought their struggle to completion by the sword.
4. At Antioch in Syria, **Saint Theodoret, priest and martyr**, who, as it is said, having been arrested by the impious Julian, Count of the East, when he persisted in the confession of Christ, was led to martyrdom.
5. At Cologne in Germany, **the commemoration of Saint Severinus, bishop**, praiseworthy in every virtue.
6. At Pavia in Liguria, **the commemoration of Saint Severinus Boethius, martyr**, who, distinguished for learning and writings, while detained in prison, wrote a treatise on the consolation of philosophy, and served God with integrity even to death inflicted by King Theodoric.
7. At Syracuse in Sicily, **Saint John, bishop**, whose character, justice, wisdom, prudent counsel, and care for the affairs of the Church were praised by Saint Gregory the Great, pope.
8. At Rouen in Neustria, **Saint Romanus, bishop**, who utterly destroyed the shrines of the pagans which were still very frequented in the city, promoted the good to better things, and strove to recall the wicked from evil.
9. In the district of Herbadillic near Poitiers in Aquitaine, France, **Saint Benedict, priest**.

10. At Constantinople, **Saint Ignatius, bishop**, who, because he rebuked Bardas Caesar for having repudiated his wife, was afflicted by him with many injuries and driven into exile, but restored by Saint Nicholas I, pope, at last rested in peace.

11. At Romsey in England, **Saint Ethelfleda**, who, dedicated to God from infancy in the monastery founded by her father Ethelwold, and having become **abbess**, ruled it most excellently until old age.

12. At Campoli in Etruria, **Saint Allucio**, true peacemaker, protector of the poor and pilgrims, and liberator of captives.

13. At Mantua in Lombardy, **blessed John Bono, hermit**, who, as a young man, having lost his mother, practiced the art of juggler and actor, wandering through various regions of Italy; but at the age of forty, when a grave illness came upon him, vowed to the Lord that he would forsake the world so that, by penance and love, he might devote himself entirely to Christ and the Church, and he founded a congregation under the Rule of Saint Augustine.

14. Likewise at Milan in Lombardy, **blessed John Angelo Porro, priest** of the Order of the Servants of Mary, who, as **prior** of the convent, on all feast days, standing at the door of the church or running through the streets, would gather children in order to teach them Christian doctrine.

15. At York in England, **blessed Thomas Thwing, priest and martyr**, who, falsely accused of conspiracy, by order of King Charles II was hanged and cruelly dismembered, and attained the palm of martyrdom.

16. At Valenciennes in France, the **blessed Mary Clotilde Angela of Saint Francis Borgia (Clotilde Joseph) Paillot and five companions,⁴ virgins and**

martyrs, who, consecrated to God, in the time of the French upheaval, condemned to death out of hatred for the faith, went piously to the gallows, to the wonder of the people.

17. In the city of *Thọ-Đức* in Annam [Vietnam], **Saint Paul Tông Viêt Bường, martyr**, who, **a soldier**, under the emperor Minh Mạng, died for Christ.

18. At Reims in France, **blessed Arnold (Julian Nicholas) Reche, brother** of the Christian Schools, who, docile to the Holy Spirit in all things, took great care for the young, always diligent in carrying out the office of teacher and constant in prayer.

19. At Ciudad Real in Spain, **the blessed martyrs Hildefonsus García and Justinian Cuesta, priests, and Euphrasius de Celis, Honorinus Carracedo, Thomas Cuartero, and Joseph Mary Cuartero, religious** of the Congregation of the Passion, who, while a religious persecution was raging, were killed by bullets for Christ and the Church.

20. In the place called *El Saler* near Valencia likewise in Spain, **blessed Leonard Olivera Buera, priest and martyr**, who, in the time of the same religious persecution, imitating the Passion of Christ, deserved to attain the eternal reward.

21. In the town of *Benimaclet* likewise in the region of Valencia in Spain, the **blessed Ambrose Leon (Peter) Lorente Vicente, Florentius Martin (Alvaro) Ibáñez Lázaro, and Honoratus (Andrew) Zorraquino Herrero, religious** of the Institute of the Brothers of the Christian Schools and martyrs, who in the same time shed their blood for Christ.

October 24th

This Day, the Twenty-fourth Day of October

Saint Anthony Mary Claret, bishop, who, having been ordained priest, traveled for many years through Catalonia in the region of Spain, preaching to the people; he founded *the Society of Missionary Sons of the Immaculate Heart of the blessed Virgin Mary*, and, having been made bishop of Santiago on the island of Cuba, was greatly distinguished for the salvation of souls. Having returned to Spain, he still endured many things for the Church, and, in exile among the Cistercian monks of Fontfroide near Narbonne in southern France, he died.

2. At Hierapolis in Phrygia, **the saints Cyriacus and Claudian, martyrs.**

3. At Constantinople, **Saint Proclus, bishop**, who vigorously proclaimed blessed Mary as the Mother of God, and restored to the city the body of Saint John Chrysostom in a triumphant translation from exile, so that he even merited to be called “the Great” in the Ecumenical Council of Chalcedon.

4. At Najran in Arabia, **the passion of Saints Aretas**, prince of the city, **and his three hundred and forty companions**, in the time of the emperor Justin, under Du Nuwas, also called Dhu Nuwas, king of the Homerites.

5. At Tours in Neustria, **Saint Senoch, priest**, who in ancient ruins established a monastery, constant in vigils, prayer, and charity toward servants.

6. In the monastery of Vertou in the district of Retz in France, **Saint Martin, deacon and abbot**, whom Saint Felix, bishop of Nantes, sent to convert the pagans of the region.

7. At Tongeren in Brabant of Austrasia, Saint Evergislus, bishop of Cologne and martyr, who, while attending to the duties of pastoral office, when he had set out for Poitiers, was struck down on the way by robbers and died.

8. In Brittany, **Saint Magloire**, who is said to have been a disciple of Saint Illtud, to have succeeded Saint Samson, bishop of Dol, and to have led a life of solitude on the island of Sark.

9. At Coutances in Neustria, **Saint Fromundus, bishop**, who founded the convent of nuns at Ham and carried out the pastoral office in the love of the Lord.

10. At Hué in Annam [Vietnam], **Saint Joseph Lê Đăng Thị, martyr**, who, a centurion [military captain], having been detained in prison because he was a Christian, bore witness among his fellow prisoners, in the midst of tortures, to the faith from which he never swerved, and was finally strangled under the emperor Tự Đức.

11. At Como in Italy, **blessed Aloysius Guanella, priest**, who founded *the Congregation of the Servants of Charity and the Daughters of Saint Mary of Providence*, both to aid the needs of the miserable and afflicted, and to promote their salvation.

12. At Ronchi on the river Adige in the territory of Verona in Italy, **blessed Joseph Baldo, priest**, who, devoted to pastoral care, founded *the Congregation of*

the Little Daughters of Saint Joseph to aid the elderly and the sick, as well as to educate children and young people.

October 25th

This Day, the Twenty-fifth Day of October

- 1.** At Rome, in the cemetery of Thraso on the Via Salaria Nova, **Saints Chrysanthus and Daria, martyrs**, whom Pope Saint Damasus praises.
- 2.** At Soissons in Gallia Belgica, **Saints Crispin and Crispinian, martyrs**.
- 3.** At Florence in Etruria, **Saint Minias, martyr**.
- 4.** At Périgueux in Aquitaine, **Saint Fronto**, who is believed to have been the first to preach the Gospel in this city.
- 5.** At Constantinople, **Saints Martyrius, subdeacon, and Marcian, cantor**, who were killed by the Arians under Emperor Constantius.
- 6.** At Brescia in Venetia, **Saint Gaudentius, bishop**, who, ordained by Saint Ambrose, outstanding among the bishops of his time in doctrine and virtues, taught his people by word and writings and built the basilica which he named the Council of Saints.
- 7.** In the territory of Gévaudan in France, **Saint Hilary, bishop** of Mende.

8. In the district of Segovia in Spain, **Saint Fructus**, who lived a **hermit** life upon a rugged rock.
9. At Pécs [Five Churches]in Hungary, **Saint Maurus, bishop**, who, having spent almost his entire life as a scholar, at length became a monk and abbot in the monastery of Saint Martin.
10. At Vic in Catalonia in Spain, **Saint Bernard Calbó, bishop**, who, having given up the office of judge, first became an abbot among the Cistercians, then, having been elected to the see of Vic, vigorously promoted sound doctrine.
11. At the town of Saint-Antoine in the Subalpine region, **the passing of blessed Thaddeus Machar, bishop** of Cork and Cloyne in Ireland, who, having suffered the envy of the powerful, withdrew and, while making his way to Rome, migrated to heaven.
12. In the town of Nules near Tortosa in Spain, **blessed Recaredo Centelles Abad, priest** of the Society of Diocesan Worker Priests **and martyr**, who, during a persecution against the Church, was killed at the gates of the cemetery in hatred of the priesthood.
13. At Alzira in the district of Valencia also in Spain, **blessed María Teresa Ferragud Roig and her daughters María of Jesus (Vicenta), María Veronica (Joaquina), and María Felicidad Masia Ferragud, virgins** of the Order of Capuchin Poor Clares, **and Josefa of the Purification (Ramona) Masia Ferragud, virgin** of the Order of Discalced Augustinians, **martyrs**, who in the same period were crowned for their fearless witness to Christ.

October 26th

This Day, the Twenty-sixth Day of October

1. At Nicomedia in Bithynia, **Saints Lucian and Marcian, martyrs**, who, under Emperor Decius, by order of the proconsul Sabinus, are said to have been killed by fire.
2. At Carthage, **the commemoration of Saint Rogatian, priest**, to whom, in the persecution under Emperor Decius, Saint Cyprian entrusted the care of the Church of Carthage, and who, together with Saint Felicissimus, suffered hardships and imprisonment for the name of Christ.
3. At Strasbourg in Germany, **Saint Amand**, who is believed to have been the first **bishop** of this city.
4. At Narbonne on the coast of Gaul, **Saint Rusticus, bishop**, who, when he had considered resigning his office and living his life in silence, was persuaded by Saint Leo the Great to blessed perseverance, and thus strengthened, remained in the work committed to him and in the labor undertaken.
5. At Angoulême in Aquitaine, the commemoration **Saint Aptonius, bishop**.
6. At Lastingham in Northumbria, **Saint Cedd**, who, brother of Saint Chad, was ordained **bishop** of the East Saxons by Saint Finan and took care to lay the foundations of the Church among them.

7. At Hexham also in Northumbria, **Saint Eata, bishop**, who, a man most gentle and most simple, ruled over many monasteries as well as churches, and having returned to Hexham, being both abbot and bishop, never ceased from the ascetic way of life.

8. At Metz in Austrasia, **Saint Sigebald, bishop**, founder of several monasteries.

9. In the monastery of Hersfeld in Germany, **the deposition of Saint Wigbert**, also called Albuin, the first **bishop** of Büraburg, who, an Englishman by birth, having been called by Saint Boniface with others and sent into Hesse, there sowed the seeds of the divine word.

10. In Scotland, **Saint Bean, bishop** of Mortlach.

11. At Pavia in Lombardy, **Saint Fulco, bishop**, of the Scottish people, a man peaceful, and most devoted to zeal and to charity.

12. At Reggio Emilia, **blessed Damian Furcheri, priest** of the Order of Preachers, an outstanding preacher of the Gospel.

13. At Ravello near Amalfi in Campania, **blessed Bonaventure of Potenza, priest** of the Order of Friars Minor Conventual, who was remarkable for obedience and charity toward all.

October 27th

This Day, the Twenty-seventh Day of October

1. At Rome, **Saint Evaristus, pope**, who, the fourth after Blessed Peter, ruled the Church of Rome under Emperor Trajan.
2. At Smyrna in Asia, **Saint Thraseas, bishop** of Eumenia in Phrygia **and martyr**.
3. At Clermont in Aquitaine, **Saint Namatius, bishop**, who built the cathedral church.
4. At Naples in Campania, **the deposition of Saint Gaudiosus, bishop**, who, because of the persecution of the Vandals, is said to have come from Abitina into Campania is said to have come and, in a holy end, to have rested in a monastery.
5. On the island of Iona in Scotland, **Saint Odhran, monk**, who was among the first disciples of Saint Columba.
6. At Vicenza in Venetia, **the commemoration of blessed Bartholomew** of Bragança, **bishop**, of the Order of Preachers, who in this city established *the Militia of Jesus Christ* to defend the Catholic faith and the liberty of the Church.
7. In the city of Paterna in the district of Valencia in Spain, **blessed Salvador Mollar Ventura, religious** of the Order of Friars Minor and martyr, who, in a time of persecution against the faith, merited as a faithful disciple to be redeemed in the blood of Christ.

October 28th

This Day, the Twenty-eight Day of October

Feast of **Saints Simon and Jude, Apostles**, the former of whom was surnamed the Cananean or “the Zealot;” but the latter, also called Thaddeus, the son of James, at the Last Supper asked the Lord about His manifestation, who answered him: *“If anyone loves me, he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and will make our abode with him.”*

2. At Mainz in Belgic France, **Saint Ferrutius, martyr**, who, having left the military service that he might serve Christ more freely and more fittingly, is said to have fallen in martyrdom.

3. At Como in Gallia Cisalpina, **Saint Fidelis, martyr**.

4. At Ávila in Spain, **the passion of Saints Vincent, Sabina, and Christeta, martyrs**, who, fleeing from Évora of the Carpetani to this city, were cruelly killed.

5. At Tizac in Aquitaine, **Saint Genesius**, who, twice clothed in white, is celebrated to have departed from this world through martyrdom.

6. At Amiens in Neustria of Gaul, **Saint Salvio, bishop**, devoted from his earliest youth to divine studies and adorned with integrity of life.

7. At Meaux also in Neustria, **Saint Faro, bishop**, who, first a member of the royal household, was led to the service of God by Saint Fara his sister, and persuaded his wife to put on the veil of religion so that he might be received into the clergy; and, having been called to the pastoral governance, he enriched the Church with very abundant donations from his own possessions, established parishes, and fostered monasteries.

8. At Annecy in Savoy, **the commemoration of Saint Germain, abbot**, who founded and ruled the priory of Talloires, distinguished for his love of solitude.

9. In the province of *Fujian* in China, **Saints Francis Serrano, bishop, and Joachim Royo, John Alcober, and Francis Diaz del Rincon, priests** of the Order of Preachers, martyrs, who confirmed the same faith by the same suffering.

10. In the district of *Cho-Ray* in Tonkin [Vietnam], **Saint John Baptist, priest and martyr**, beheaded for Christ.

11. In the village of *Ejutla* in Mexico, **Saint Roderick Aguilar, priest and martyr**, who, during a raging persecution, was hanged by soldiers from a tree, and gloriously fulfilled the martyrdom which he had desired.

12. At *Alzira* in the district of Valencia in Spain, **blessed Salvador Damian Enguix Gares, martyr**, who, a **father of a family**, in a time of persecution brought his contest for the faith to completion.

13. In the village of *Gilet* in the same district of Spain, **blessed Joseph Ruiz Bruixola, priest and martyr**, who in the same period merited to bear the palm of victory before Almighty God.

October 29th

This Day, the Twenty-ninth Day of October

1. At Carthage, **Saint Felician, martyr**.

2. Commemoration of Saint Narcissus, bishop of Jerusalem, praiseworthy in holiness, patience, and faith, who, agreeing with Saint Victor the pope concerning the time for celebrating the Christian Pasch, asserted that the mystery of the Lord's Resurrection was to be celebrated on no other day than Sunday, and, one hundred and sixteen years old, happily departed to the Lord.

3. At Vercelli in Liguria, **Saint Honoratus, bishop**, who, a disciple of Saint Eusebius in the monastery and companion in prison, after his master was the second to hold this see, which he taught with right doctrine, and was worthy to give Saint Ambrose, when dying, the Viaticum.

4. At Sidon in Phoenicia, **Saint Zenobius, priest**, who, under the severity of the persecution of the Emperor Diocletian, encouraging others to martyrdom, was himself crowned with martyrdom.

5. At Edessa in Osrhoene of Mesopotamia, **Saint Abraham, anchorite**, whose deeds Saint Ephrem the deacon wrote.

6. In the territory of Vienne in Gaul, **Saint Theodarius, abbot**, who, a disciple of Saint Caesarius of Arles, founded cells for monks, and was appointed by the bishop an intercessor to God and a penitentiary priest for the whole people of the city.

7. At Doagh in Ireland, **Saint Colman, bishop**.

8. At the monastery of Fanay in the district of Cambrai in Neustria, **Saint Dodon, abbot**, who, placed in charge of the monastery of Wallers, preferred the eremitical life.

9. Near Naples in Italy, **blessed Cajetan Errico, priest**, who fostered with every effort spiritual retreats and contemplation of the Eucharist, so that he might gain souls for Christ, by which also he brought forth *the Missionaries of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary*.

October 30th

This Day, the Thirtieth Day of October

1. At Syracuse in Sicily, **Saint Marcian**, who is believed to have been the first **bishop** of that city.

2. **Commemoration of Saint Serapion, bishop** of Antioch, who, most renowned for learning and doctrine, left no lesser fame for holiness.

3. At Alexandria in Egypt, **Saint Eutropia, martyr**, who, when she refused to deny Christ, was most cruelly tortured and gave up her spirit.
4. At Tangier in Mauretania, **the passion of Saint Marcellus, centurion**, who, on the emperor's birthday, when all were sacrificing, threw down before the standards his military belt, weapons, and even the vine-rod, declaring himself to be a Christian, and that he could no longer obey the military oath consistently, but only Jesus Christ; for which reason, by beheading, he completed his martyrdom.
5. At León in Spain, **the holy martyrs Claudius, Lupercus, and Victorius**, who suffered for the name of Christ during the persecution of the emperor Diocletian.
6. At Cumae in Campania, **Saint Maximus, martyr**.
7. At Capua, also in Campania, **Saint Germanus, bishop**, of whom Pope Saint Gregory the Great wrote.
8. At Potenza in Lucania, **Saint Gerard, bishop**.
9. At Cividale del Friuli in Venetia, **blessed Benvenuta Bojani, virgin, sister** of the Penitents of Saint Dominic, who devoted herself entirely to prayer and austerities.
10. At Winchester in England, **blessed John Slade, martyr**, who, because he denied the primacy of Queen Elizabeth I in spiritual matters, was hanged and cruelly dismembered.
11. At Limerick in Ireland, **the passion of blessed Terence Albert O'Brien, bishop and martyr**, who, of the Order of Preachers, being in charge of the diocese

of Emly, he gave devoted service to the care of those afflicted by the plague, but was arrested by soldiers under the rule of Oliver Cromwell, and, out of hatred for the priesthood and the Catholic faith, was led to the gallows.

12. At Acri in Calabria, **blessed Angelo, priest** of the Order of Friars Minor Capuchin, who, tirelessly traversing the Kingdom of Naples, preached the word of God in speech suited to the simple.

13. At Angers in France, **blessed John Michael Langevin, priest and martyr**, killed by beheading for the priesthood, the first of a group of nearly one hundred men and women who, while the terror of the French upheaval raged, remained unanimous, steadfast, and fearless in the faith of Christ even unto death.

14. In the town of *Dolinka* near Karaganda in Kazakhstan, **blessed Alexis Zaryckyj, priest and martyr**, who, during the rule of a regime hostile to God, was deported to a detention camp, and through the struggle of faith attained eternal life.

October 31st

This Day, the Thirty-first Day of October

1. At Alexandria in Egypt, **Saint Epimachus of Pelusium, martyr**, who, as it is said, in the time of the persecution under the emperor Decius, when he saw the prefect compelling Christians to sacrifice to idols, attempted to overthrow the altar; for this he was arrested and torn apart, and finally was beheaded by the sword.

2. At Saint-Quentin [Augusta Viromanduorum] in Belgic Gaul, **Saint Quentin, martyr**, who, of senatorial rank, suffered for Christ under the emperor Maximian.
3. At Fosses in Brabant in Austrasia, **Saint Foillan, priest and abbot**, who, Irish by birth, brother and companion of Saint Fursey, always faithful to the monastic institutions of his homeland, established at Fosses and Nivelles a double monastery of men and of women; while traveling between them, he was killed by robbers.
4. At Milan in Lombardy, **Saint Antoninus, bishop**, who labored greatly to extinguish the Arian heresy among the Lombards.
5. At Regensburg in Bavaria, **Saint Wolfgang, bishop**, who, after serving as a schoolmaster and embracing the monastic life, was elevated to the episcopal see, restored the discipline of the clergy, and died humbly while visiting the territory of Popping.
6. At Cahors in Aquitaine, **blessed Christopher of Romagna, priest** of the Order of Friars Minor, who, sent by Saint Francis, after many labors for the salvation of souls, died at the age of one hundred years.
7. At Rieti in Sabina, **blessed Thomas of Florence Bellacci, religious** of the Order of Friars Minor, who, having traveled to the Holy Land and Ethiopia, suffered captivity and hardships for Christ at the hands of unbelievers, and at last, returned to his homeland, rested in peace, nearly one hundred years old.
8. At Youghal in Ireland, **blessed Dominic Collins, religious** of the Society of Jesus and martyr, who, after being held for a long time, was persistently questioned and tortured, and firmly confessed the Catholic faith; for this reason, he was hanged and so completed his martyrdom.

9. At Palma on the island of Majorca, **Saint Alphonsus Rodríguez**, who, bereft of his wife, children, and all his fortune, was received as a **religious** into the Society of Jesus, and for many years served as porter in the College; he shone with humility, obedience, and perseverance under the yoke of penance.

10. In the town of *Piotrków Kujawski* in Poland, **blessed Leon Nowakowski**, **priest and martyr**, who, during the occupation of Poland, in military fashion, was killed by bullets for having valiantly defended the faith before a regime hostile to God.

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1. Whose names are: Blessed Anthony Baracho, Anthony Vilela Cid, Anthony Vilela the Younger and his daughter, Diego Pereira, Emmanuel Rodrigues Moura and his wife, the daughter of Francisco Dias the Younger, Francisco de Bastos, Francisco Mendes Pereira, João da Silveira, João Lostau Navarro, João Martins and seven youths, Joseph do Porto, Matthew Moreira, Simon Correia, Stephen Machado de Miranda and his daughter Inês, Vincent de Souza Pereira.
 2. Whose names are: Saints Cyril Bertrán (Joseph) Sanz Tejedor, Marcian Joseph (Philomenus) López López, Victorian Pius (Claudius) Bernabé Cano, Julian Alphridus (Wilfrid) Fernández Zapico, Benjamin Julian (Vincent Alphonsus) Andrés, Augustus Andrew (Romanus) Martín Fernández, Benedict of Jesus (Hector) Valdivielso Sáez, and Anicetus Adolphus (Emmanuel) Seco Gutiérrez.
 3. Whose names are: Blessed Maria Laurentina of Saint Stanislaus (Joanna Regina) Prin, Maria Ursula of Saint Bernardine (Hyacintha Augustina Gabriela) Bourla, Maria Ludovica of Saint Francis (Maria Genevieve) Ducrez, and Maria Augustina of the Sacred Heart of Jesus (Maria Magdalena) Dejardin.
 4. Whose names are: Blessed Maria Scholastica Joseph of Saint James (Maria Margaretha Joseph) Leroux and Maria Cordula Joseph of Saint Dominic (Joanna Louisa) Barre, of the Order of Ursulines; Josephine (Anna Joseph) Leroux, of the Order of Poor Clares; Maria Francisca (Maria Lievina) Lacroix and Anna Maria (Maria Augustina) Erraux, of the Order of Brigittines.

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Omnes sancti Mártyres, oráte pro nobis. (“All ye Holy Martyrs, pray for us,” from the *Litaniae Sanctorum*, the Litany of the Saints)

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“Scio opera tua ... quia modicum habes virtutem, et servasti verbum Meum, nec non negasti Nomen Meum”
(Apocalypsis 3.8)

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Semen est sanguis Christianorum (The blood of Christians is the seed of the Church)

Tertullian, *Apologeticum*, 50

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November 1st



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This Day, the First Day of November

Solemnity of All Saints who are with Christ in glory, on which, under a single joy of festivity, the holy Church on earth, still a pilgrim, venerates the memory of those whose fellowship makes heaven rejoice, so that she may be stirred by their example, gladdened by their patronage, and crowned in their triumph before the divine majesty unto eternal ages.

2. At Terracina on the coast of Latium, **Saint Caesarius, martyr.**
3. At Dijon in Lugdunensian Gaul, **Saint Benignus**, who is venerated as a **priest and martyr.**
4. At Clermont in Aquitaine, **Saint Austremonius, bishop**, who is said to have preached the word of salvation in that city.

5. At Paris in Lugdunensian Gaul [the region of Lyon in France], **Saint Marcellus, bishop.**
6. In the district of Bourges in Aquitaine, **Saint Romulus, priest and abbot.**
7. At Tivoli in Latium, **Saint Severinus, monk.**
8. At Milan in Lombardy, **Saint Magnus, bishop.**
9. At Bayeux in Lugdunensian Gaul, **Saint Vigor, bishop**, who was a disciple of Saint Vedastus.
10. At Angers in Neustria, **Saint Licinius, bishop**, to whom Pope Saint Gregory the Great entrusted the monks who were bound for England.
11. At Larchant in the district of Gâtinais in Aquitaine, **Saint Maturinus, priest.**
12. In the territory of Thérouanne in Flanders, **Saint Audomarus**, who, once a disciple of Saint Eustace, abbot of Luxeuil, was chosen **bishop** of the Morini and renewed the Christian faith among them.
13. At Città della Pieve in Umbria, **blessed Rainerius of Arezzo, religious** of the Order of Friars Minor, who was filled with humility, poverty, and patience.
14. At Lisbon in Lusitania, **blessed Nuno Álvares Pereira**, who, first placed in charge of the defense of the kingdom, was later received among the **lay brothers** in the Order of Carmelites, and lived a poor and hidden life in Christ.

15. At Shimabara in Japan, the blessed martyrs **Peter Paul Navarro, priest, Denis Fujishima, and Peter Onizuka Sandayu, religious**, of the Society of Jesus, and Clement Kyuemon, who were burned to death out of hatred for the Christian faith.

16. In the city of *Hải Dương* in Tonkin [Vietnam], **the holy martyrs Jerome Hermosilla and Valentine Berrio Ochoa, bishops, and Peter Almato Ribera, priest**, of the Order of Preachers, who, by order of the emperor Tự Đức, were beheaded.

17. At Munich in Bavaria, Germany, **blessed Rupert Mayer, priest** of the Society of Jesus, who, a most devoted guide of the faithful, helper of the poor and workers, and preacher of the word of God, endured persecutions under the nefarious Nazi regime—first being deported to a detention camp, and afterward confined in a monastery without any further contact with the faithful.

18. In the town of Mukachevo in Ukraine, **blessed Theodore George Romzsa, bishop and martyr**, who, in a time of repression of the faith, for his unwearied fidelity toward the Church, merited to attain the glorious palm.

November 2nd

This Day, the Second Day of November

Commemoration of all the faithful departed, on which the loving Mother Church, already intent on offering fitting praises for all her children rejoicing in Heaven, strives to intercede with

God for all the souls who have gone before us with the sign of faith and sleep in the hope of the Resurrection, as well as for all from the beginning of the world whose faith is known to the Lord alone, that, having been purified from the contagion of sin and admitted to the company of the citizens above, they may be able to rejoice in the vision of eternal blessedness.

2. Commemoration of Saint Victorinus, bishop of Poetovio in Pannonia, who wrote many works for the explanation of the books of Sacred Scripture and, in the persecution of the emperor Diocletian, was crowned with martyrdom.

3. At Trieste in Histria, Saint Justus, martyr.

4. At Sebaste in Armenia, the holy martyrs Carterius, Styriacus, Tobias, Eudoxius, Agapius, and their companions, who, under the emperor Licinius, being **soldiers** and remaining steadfast in the faith of Christ, are said to have been thrown into the flames.

5. In Persia, the holy martyrs Acindynus, Pegasius, Aphtonius, Elpidephorus, Anempodistus, and many companions, who are said to have suffered under King Shapur II.

6. At Vienne in Lugdunensian Gaul [the region of Lyon in France], Saint Domninus, bishop, who devoted himself to ransoming captives.

7. Commemoration of Saint Marcian, hermit, who, born at Cyrrhus, withdrew to the Chalcedonian desert, where, dwelling in a very small hut, he used only a little bread and water in the evening, yet preferred fraternal charity to fasting.

8. In the monastery of Agaunum among the Swiss, **Saint Ambrose, abbot**, who, first abbot of the monastery of the island of Barbe near Lyon, was transferred there because of his outstanding religious observance and established there the practice of perpetual praise.

9. At the spring in the place called Holywell in Wales, **Saint Winefride, virgin**, who is venerated as an outstanding nun.

10. At Vienne in Burgundy, **Saint George, bishop**.

11. In the monastery of Clairvaux in Burgundy, **the deposition of Saint Malachy, bishop** of Down and Connor in Ireland, who restored the life of the Church there, and, while traveling to Rome, at Clairvaux, in the presence of Saint Bernard the abbot, gave up his spirit.

12. At Mortain in Normandy, France, **blessed Margaret of Lorraine**, who, formerly Duchess of Alençon, when widowed, lived a religious life in the monastery of the Poor Clares, which she had rebuilt.

13. At Andover in the county of Hampshire in England, **blessed John Bodey, martyr**, who, **a schoolmaster**, for refusing the primacy of Queen Elizabeth I in spiritual matters, was hanged and disemboweled.

14. At Casale in the region of Romagna, Italy, **blessed Pius of Saint Aloysius (Aloysius Campidelli), religious** of the Congregation of the Passion, who, as a young man, stricken with a violent illness, fully consented to the divine will.

November 3rd

This Day, the Third Day of November

Saint **Martin de Porres**, religious of the Order of Preachers, who, born of a Spanish man and a black woman, already from boyhood, although passing through hardships arising from the condition of being the illegitimate and mixed-race son, learned the art of medicine, which afterwards, having become a religious, he generously practiced at Lima in Peru for the poor, and, given to fasting, penance, and prayer, he led a harsh and humble life, radiant with charity.

2. At Caesarea in Cappadocia, **the holy martyrs Germanus, Theophilus, and Cyril**.

3. At Agrigento in Sicily, **Saint Libertinus, bishop and martyr**.

4. In the district of Laureacum in Narbonese Gaul, **Saint Papulus**, who is venerated as a **martyr**.

5. At Viterbo in Tuscany, **the holy martyrs Valentine, priest, and Hilary, deacon**.

6. In Brittany, **Saint Guenael**, held to have been **abbot** of Landévennec.

7. At Rome, **the commemoration of Saint Silvia**, mother of Pope Saint Gregory the Great, whom the Pontiff himself wrote had attained the summit of prayer and penance and had been to others a most high example.

8. In the monastery of Hornbach near Strasbourg in Burgundy, **the deposition of Saint Pirmin, bishop and abbot** of Reichenau, who evangelized the Alemanni and the Bavarians, founded many monasteries, and composed for his disciples a book on catechizing the unlearned.

9. In the monastery of Antidion in Bithynia, **Saint Joannicius, monk**, who, after more than twenty years in military service, having left the army, led a solitary life in the various passes of Olympus, being accustomed to accompany prayer with these words: “My hope is God, my refuge is Christ, my protector is the Holy Spirit.”

10. At Alem in Flanders, **the deposition of Saint Odrada, virgin**.

11. At Urgell in Catalonia of Spain, **Saint Ermengaud, bishop**, among the illustrious prelates who took care to restore the Church in the lands freed from the yoke of the Moors, who himself, putting forth his own hands and toil in rebuilding a bridge, having fallen down, with his skull shattered among the stones, he died.

12. Among the Marsi in the Abruzzi, **Saint Berard, bishop**, who excelled in rooting out simony, restoring the discipline of the clergy, and sustaining and protecting the poor.

13. At Cudot in the district of Sens in Gaul, **blessed Alpais, virgin**, who, as a young girl grievously stricken and abandoned by her own, lived enclosed in a cell until old age.

14. Near the monastery of Fischingen among the Swiss, **Saint Ida, recluse**.

15. At Rimini on the Flaminian coast, **blessed Simon Ballachi, religious** of the Order of Preachers, who chose a life wholly devoted to the service of the brethren, to penance, and to prayer.

16. At Milan in Lombardy, **the birthday of Saint Charles Borromeo, bishop**, whose memory is celebrated tomorrow.

17. At the fortress of *Xã Đoài* in Tonkin [Vietnam], **Saint Peter Francis Néron, priest** of the Paris Society of Foreign Missions **and martyr**, who, under the emperor Tự Đức, was kept for three months thrust into a most narrow cage and, having been cruelly beaten with rods, abstained from all food for three weeks, and at length, his head having been cut off, consummated his martyrdom.

November 4th

This Day, the Fourth Day of November

Memorial of **Saint Charles Borromeo, bishop**, who, having been enrolled among the cardinals by his uncle Pope Pius IV and elected Bishop of Milan, was in that see a true shepherd, attentive to the needs of the Church of his time: to form the clergy he gathered synods and established seminaries; to foster Christian morals he visited the whole flock many times and decreed many things for the salvation of souls. He departed for his heavenly homeland on the day before this day.

2. At Bologna in Emilia, **the holy martyrs Vitalis and Agricola**, of whom, as Saint Ambrose relates, the former was once the servant of the other, then his companion and fellow in martyrdom: for this one endured every kind of torture in such manner that there was no place on his body without a wound; but the other, not terrified by the punishment of his servant, being affixed to a cross, imitated his martyrdom.

3. At Myra in Lycia, **the holy martyrs Nicander, bishop, and Hermes, priest**.

4. **Commemoration of Saint Pierius, priest** of Alexandria, who, illustrious in philosophical teachings but more distinguished for integrity of life and voluntary poverty, while Theonas was governing the Church of Alexandria, taught the people the divine Scriptures thoroughly, and after the persecution rested in peace at Rome.

5. At Rodez in Aquitaine, Saint Amantius, bishop, who is believed to have been the first prelate of this city.

6. At Maastricht in Brabant of Austrasia, **Saint Perpetuus, bishop**.

7. At Trier in Austrasia, **Saint Modesta, abbess**, who, consecrated to God from her very infancy, presided worthily over the flock of nuns of the monastery of Oeren in the same city, and was united in the highest intimacy in God with Saint Gertrude of Nivelles.

8. At Székesfehérvár in Pannonia, **Saint Emeric, or Henry**, son of Saint Stephen, King of the Hungarians, who was overtaken by an untimely death.

9. At Padua in Venetia, **blessed Helen Enselmini, virgin** of the Order of Poor Clares, who bore many pains and even the loss of speech with wondrous patience.

10. At Cerfroid in the territory of Meaux in France, **Saint Felix of Valois**, who, after he had led a solitary life for a long time, is held to have been the companion of Saint John of Matha in founding *the Order of the Most Holy Trinity for the Redemption of Captives*.

11. In the convent of the Scots at Nantes in France, **blessed Frances d'Amboise**, who, Duchess of Brittany, first founded at Vannes in France a convent of Carmelite nuns, into which, having been widowed, she withdrew as a handmaid of Christ.

November 5th

This Day, the Fifth Day of November

1. At Caesarea in Palestine, **Saint Domninus, martyr**, who, a young physician, at the beginning of the persecution of Emperor Diocletian, was condemned to the mines and banished to Phoenicia, where he endured cruel hardships; and, because he had firmly kept his confession, in the fifth year of the persecution, by order of the governor Urban, was commanded to be consigned to the fire.

2. In the same place, **the commemoration of the holy martyrs Theotimus, Philotheus, and Timothy**, who, being young men, were assigned to the circus games for the amusement of the people, **and of Saint Auxentius**, an old man, who was handed over to the beasts.

3. In Apulia, **Saint Mark, bishop** of Aeca.

4. At Trier in Rhenish Austrasia, **Saint Fibicius, bishop**.
5. In Brittany, **Saint Guethnoc**, who is held in honor as the brother of the saints Winwaloeus and Jacut.
6. In the monastery of Chelles near Meaux in Gallia Lugdunensis, **Saint Bertilla**, first **abbess**.
7. At Béziers in Gallia Narbonensis, **Saint Gerald, bishop**, a man of wondrous uprightness and simplicity, who, though unwillingly taken from being a canon regular to the episcopate, in his dignity was all the more committed to humility.
8. At Constantinople, **blessed Gomidas Keumurgian (Cosmas of Carbonianus), priest and martyr**, who, a **head of a family**, born and ordained in the Church of the Armenians, for the Catholic faith professed by the Council of Chalcedon, which he firmly held and spread, suffered many things, and finally, while reciting the Nicene Creed, fell by beheading.
9. Near the river Hung Yên in Tonkin, **Saint Dominic Mậu, priest** of the Order of Preachers **and martyr**, who, in the persecution of Emperor Tự Đức, publicly carrying the Rosary and exhorting Christians to the profession of faith, was led to the punishment of beheading, with hands joined as if at the altar, for Christ.
10. At Parma in Italy, **blessed Guido Maria Conforti, bishop**, who, a good shepherd, always watched for the defense of the Church and the faith of the people, and, moved by zeal for the evangelization of peoples, founded *the Pious Society of Saint Francis Xavier*.

11. At Madrid in Spain, **blessed John Antony Burró Mas, religious** of the Order of Saint John of God **and martyr**, killed in the persecution against the Church because of his evangelical profession.

12. In the place called *El Saler* near Valencia likewise in Spain, **blessed Mary of Mount Carmel Viel Ferrando, virgin and martyr**, who in the same time of persecution fought an outstanding contest for Christ.

13. In the town of Hof in Germany, **blessed Bernard Lichtenberg, priest and martyr**, who, when the dignity of God and of men was being violated, publicly prayed for the Jews who were inhumanly harassed and detained; for which reason he himself was arrested and sent to the concentration camp of Dachau, and on the way, overwhelmed by hardships, yet fearless in Christ, died.

14. In the concentration camp of the city of Abé in the Siberian province of Russia, **blessed Gregory Lakota, bishop** of Przemyśl **and martyr**, who, when his homeland was oppressed by persecutors of the faith, overcame the torments of the body with a fearless death for Christ.

November 6th

This Day, the Sixth Day of November

1. At Thinis in Numidia, **Saint Felix, martyr**, of whom Saint Augustine is thought to speak to the people, saying: “Truly happy both in name and in crown. For he confessed, he was delayed to the torments; on the following day his lifeless body was found in prison.”

2. **Commemoration of Saint Paul, bishop** of Constantinople **and martyr**, who was often driven out by the Arians because he had kept the Nicene faith, and more than once restored to his office; at length, banished by Emperor Constantius to Cucusus, a small town of Cappadocia, there, by the treachery of the Arians, he is said to have been cruelly strangled.
3. At Rennes in Brittany, **Saint Melanius, bishop**, who, in the place “Placy” on the river Vicennonia, where he had himself built a church with his own hands and gathered monks for the service of God, departed to the Lord.
4. In the monastery of *Llanilltud Fawr* in Wales, called by his name, **Saint Illtud, abbot**, who founded the same monastery, in which, by the fame of his holiness and exceptional learning, he gathered many disciples.
5. At Noblat near Limoges in Aquitaine, **Saint Leonard, hermit**.
6. At Jerusalem, **the holy martyrs Callinicus, Himerius, Theodorus, Stephen, Peter, Paul, another Theodorus, John, another John, and one of unknown name**, who, **soldiers**, when the city of Gaza was taken by the Saracens, were seized by the enemy, but, encouraged by Saint Sophronius the bishop, confessed Christ; therefore, having been beheaded, they received martyrdom.
7. At Barcelona in Spain, **Saint Severus, bishop**, who is said to have received the crown of **martyrdom**.
8. Among the Swiss in Burgundy, **Saint Protasius**, who is venerated as **bishop** of Lausanne.

9. In the district of Théroutanne in Austrasia, **Saint Winnoc, abbot**, who, of Breton stock, was received among the monks of Sithiu by Saint Bertin, and afterward founded the monastery of Wormhout, over which he presided in holiness, working much with his own hands.

10. At Apt in Provence in Gallia, **Saint Stephen, bishop**, renowned for gentleness, who undertook two pilgrimages to Jerusalem and restored the cathedral church.

11. At Dorat in the district of Limoges in Aquitaine, **Saint Theobald, priest**, who, a canon regular placed over the office of the sacred threshold, never went forth from the ecclesiastical precincts except to sit beside the sick and to aid their needs.

12. Near Cologne in Lorraine in Germany, **blessed Christina of Stommeln, virgin**, who, sharing in the sufferings of Christ, wondrously overcame all the temptations of the world.

November 7th

This Day, the Seventh Day of November

1. At Padua in Venetia, **Saint Prosdocius**, who is believed to have been the first **bishop** of this Church.

2. At Neocaesarea in Pontus, **Saint Athenodorus, bishop**, brother of Saint Gregory Thaumaturgus, who advanced so much in divine eloquence that, although young, he was judged worthy to exercise the episcopal office.
3. At Albia in Aquitaine, **the commemoration of Saint Amaranthus, martyr**.
4. At Melitene in Armenia, **the holy martyrs Hiero and many companions**.
5. At Perugia in Umbria, **Saint Herculanius, bishop and martyr**, who, by order of Totila, king of the Goths, was beheaded.
6. At Tours in Neustria, **Saint Baldus, bishop**, who in almsgiving distributed to the poor the gold which his predecessor had left.
7. In the place afterward called Congresbury in England, **Saint Congar, abbot**, of Breton origin, after whom many villages and churches boast to be named.
8. At Strasbourg in Burgundy, **the commemoration of Saint Florentius, bishop**, who succeeded Saint Arbogastus.
9. At Echternach in Austrasia, **the deposition of Saint Willibrord**, who, of English birth, was ordained bishop of Utrecht by Saint Sergius, pope, and preached the Gospel in Frisia and Denmark, and founded episcopal sees as well as monasteries, until, worn out by labor and overcome with age, he fell asleep in the Lord in the monastery he himself had founded.
10. On Mount Galesius near Ephesus in Asia, **Saint Lazarus, stylite**, who lived for many years in various places atop a column, burdened also with heavy irons

and chains, content with only bread and water, by which most austere manner of life he drew many of the faithful.

11. At Cologne in Lorraine in Germany, **Saint Engelbert, bishop**, who, for the defense of justice and the liberty of the Church, was intercepted on the road by assassins and struck down with many wounds, and died.

12. In the village of *Pofi* in Latium, **blessed Antony BalDinucci, priest** of the Society of Jesus, who gave himself entirely to preaching missions to the people.

13. In the city of *Kết Chợ* in Tonkin, **the holy martyrs Hyacinth Castaneda and Vincent Lê Quang Liêm, priests** of the Order of Preachers, who, under the rule of Trinh Sam, brought to completion their evangelical labors by the shedding of their blood.

14. In the place *Zunyi* in the province of Guizhou in China, **Saint Peter Wu Guosheng, catechist and martyr**, who was strangled for Christ.

15. At Cremona in Italy, **blessed Vincent Grossi, priest**, who, while carrying out the parish ministry, founded *the Institute of the Daughters of the Oratory*.

November 8th

This Day, the Eighth Day of November

1. Commemoration of the saints **Simpronian, Claudius, Nicostratus, Castorius, and Simplicius, martyrs**, who, as it is related, being marble workers at

Sirmium in Pannonia, when they refused to carve an image of the god Aesculapius because of the name of Jesus Christ, were ordered by Emperor Diocletian to be thrown headlong into the river, and were crowned by God with the grace of martyrdom; whose veneration at Rome under the title of *the Four Crowned Martyrs* has flourished from ancient times in the basilica on the Caelian Hill.

2. At Tours in Gallia Lugdunensis, **Saint Clarus, priest**, who, a disciple of Saint Martin, established a dwelling for himself near the bishop's monastery, where he gathered many brothers.

3. At Rome near Saint Peter's, **Saint Deusdedit, pope**, who loved his clergy and people, renowned for simplicity and wisdom.

4. At Bremen in Saxony, **Saint Willehad, bishop**, who, born in Northumbria and a friend of Alcuin, after Saint Boniface spread the Gospel in Frisia and Saxony, and, having been ordained bishop, established the see of Bremen and governed it wisely.

5. At Soissons in France, **the deposition of Saint Godefroid, bishop** of Amiens, who, formed for the monastic life from the age of fifteen, endured many hardships in settling disputes between the lords and the people of the city and in reforming the morals of clergy and people.

6. At Cologne in Lorraine in Germany, **blessed John Duns Scotus, priest** of the Order of Minors, who, born in Scotland, taught the disciplines of philosophy and theology at Canterbury, Oxford, Paris, and finally at Cologne, a distinguished teacher for the subtlety of his mind and his marvelous fervor.

7. At Montegranaro in Piceno in Italy, **blessed Mary Crucifixa (Elizabeth Mary) Satellico**, **abbess** of the Order of Poor Clares, conspicuous in the contemplation of the mystery of the Cross and endowed with mystical gifts.

8. In the city of *Nam Định* in Tonkin, **the holy martyrs Joseph Nguyễn Đình Nghi, Paul Nguyễn Ngân, Martin Tạ Dức Thịnh, priests, and Martin Thọ and John Baptist Cồn, farmers**, who, under Emperor Thiệu Trị, were beheaded for the Christian faith.

November 9th

This Day, the Ninth Day of November

Feast of the **Dedication of the Lateran Basilica**, in honor of Christ the Savior, built by Emperor Constantine as the seat of the bishops of the Romans, whose anniversary celebration in the whole Latin Church stands as a sign of love and unity with the Roman Pontiff.

2. At Bourges in France, **Saint Ursinus**, the first **bishop**, who announced Christ the Lord to the people and, for the believers, who were especially from among the poor, made the house of Leocadius, a senator of Gaul, still a pagan, into a church.

3. At Naples in Campania, **Saint Agrippinus**, **one of the earliest bishops**, whom ancient monuments declare to have been a defender of the city.

4. At Verdun in Gallia Belgica, **Saint Vitonus**, **bishop**.

5. At Constantinople, **Saints Eustolia and Sopatra, virgins and nuns.**
6. At Lodève in Gallia Narbonensis, **Saint George, bishop.**
7. At Signa near Florence in Etruria, **blessed Joan, virgin**, who led a solitary life for Christ.
8. At Ancona in Piceno in Italy, **blessed Gabriel Ferretti, priest** of the Order of Minors, who was distinguished for his care of children and the sick, and for obedience and regular observance.
9. At Bologna in Emilia, **blessed Louis Morbioli**, who, converted to God from a path of vice, chose the most austere manner of life in penance and called back the citizens to piety by word and example.
10. At Murano in Venetia, **blessed Gratia of Cattaro, religious** of the Order of Saint Augustine, who, while in great poverty and piloting a boat to earn his living, moved by the preaching of blessed Simon of Camerino, obtained the religious habit and lived a most devout life.
11. At Oxford in England, **blessed George Napper, priest and martyr**, who worked marvelously both in clandestine ministry and in prison, that he might win souls for Christ in the Church, and under King James I, on account of the priesthood, merited to receive the crown of martyrdom.
12. At Dijon in France, **blessed Elizabeth of the Most Holy Trinity Catez, virgin** of the Order of Discalced Carmelites, who from childhood strove to seek

and contemplate the Trinity in the depths of her heart, and still young, afflicted with many sufferings, went “to love, to light, to life,” as she had wished.

13. In the town of *Borysów* in Poland, **blessed Henry Hlebowicz, priest and martyr**, who, during wartime, was killed by bullets in hatred of the faith.

14. At Rome, **blessed Luigi Beltrame Quattrocchi**, who, a **father of a family**, in both public and domestic duties observed the commands of Christ and proclaimed them by diligence and uprightness of life.

November 10th

This Day, the Tenth Day of November

Memorial of **Saint Leo the First, pope, Doctor of the Church**, who, born in Etruria, first served diligently as deacon of the City, then, having been raised to the chair of Peter, deserved to be called “the Great,” either on account of having nourished his flock with exquisite and prudent speech, or for the orthodox doctrine concerning the Incarnation of God, strongly affirmed through his legates in the Ecumenical Council of Chalcedon, until he rested in the Lord at Rome, where on this day he was buried at Saint Peter’s.

2. In Persia, **the passing of Saint Demetrian, bishop** of Antioch, who was deported into exile by King Sapor I.

3. At Tyana in Cappadocia, **Saint Orestes, martyr.**
 4. At Ravenna in Flaminia, **Saint Probus, bishop**, to whose name Saint Maximian the bishop dedicated the famous basilica of Classe.
 5. In Persia, **the holy martyrs Narses, bishop, a venerable old man, and Joseph, his disciple**, a young man, who, when they had refused, though commanded by King Sapor II, to worship the sun, were beheaded with the sword.
 6. At Canterbury in England, **Saint Justus, bishop**, who, together with other monks, was sent by Saint Gregory the Great, pope, to help Saint Augustine in evangelizing England, and at length received the episcopate of this see.
 7. In the village of Foro in the Subalpine region, **Saint Baudolinus, hermit.**
 8. At Naples in Campania, **Saint Andrew Avellino, priest** of the Congregation of Clerics Regular, celebrated for holiness and zeal in procuring the salvation of his neighbor, who took upon himself the difficult vow to make progress daily in virtue, and, laden with merits, at the feet of the altar fell asleep in a holy death.
 9. At Barcelona in Spain, **blessed Acisclus Pina Piazuolo, religious** of the Order of Saint John of God **and martyr**, who, when the storm of persecution raged, was killed in hatred of religion.
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November 11th

This Day, the Eleventh Day of November

Memorial of **Saint Martin, bishop**, on the day of his burial; who, born in Pannonia of pagan parents and called to serve under the standards in Gaul, while still a catechumen, clothed Christ in his own cloak for [under the guise of] a poor man; after receiving baptism, he left the army and at Ligugé led a monastic life in a monastery founded by himself, under the guidance of Saint Hilary of Poitiers; then, having been ordained to the priesthood and elected bishop of Tours, showing forth the example of the good shepherd, he founded other monasteries and parishes in the villages, instructed the clergy and reconciled them, evangelized the country folk, until at Candes he departed to the Lord.

2. Across Lake Mareotis in Egypt, **Saint Menas, martyr**.

3. At Vence in Provence in Gaul, **the commemoration of Saint Veranus, bishop**, who, the son of Saint Eucharius, bishop of Lyon, having been brought up in the monastery of Lérins, wrote letters to Saint Leo the Great, pope, giving thanks for the faith in the Word Incarnate expressed in his letter to Flavian.

4. In the province of Samnium, **the commemoration of Saint Menas, hermit**, whose virtues Pope Saint Gregory the Great records.

5. At Amathus on the island of Cyprus, **the passing of Saint John the Almsgiver, bishop** of Alexandria, renowned for his mercy toward the poor, who, filled with charity toward all, took care to have many churches, hospitals, and orphanages built, and with the greatest solicitude strove to relieve all the misery of the city, applying to this very work the goods of the Church and constantly urging the wealthy to give alms.

6. In the monastery of Malonne in Brabant, **Saint Bertuin**, who is venerated as **bishop and abbot**.

7. At Constantinople, **Saint Theodore the Studite, abbot**, who made his monastery a school of the wise, of the saints, and of martyrs, who fell victim in the persecutions carried out by the iconoclasts; three times driven into exile, he held the traditions of the Fathers of the Church in great honor and wrote celebrated expositions of Christian doctrine for the explanation of the Catholic faith.

8. In the monastery of Grottaferrata in the Tusculan district near Rome, **Saint Bartholomew, abbot**, who, born in Calabria, came to Saint Nilus, whose life he soon wrote, and was present to him, already near death, in founding the Tusculan monastery under the ascetical discipline of the Orientals, which he strengthened by his own governance and made a school of knowledge and art.

9. At Nagasaki in Japan, **Saint Marina of Omura, virgin and martyr**, who, having been thrown into prison, was subjected in public to the mockery of her chastity and at last was burned with fire.

10. In the town of *Łaski Piasnica* near the city of *Wejherowo* in Poland, **blessed Alice Kotowska, virgin** of the Congregation of the Sisters of the Resurrection of the Lord **and martyr**, who, in war, for having steadfastly kept the faith of Christ, was killed by bullets.

11. At Sofia in Bulgaria, **the passion of blessed Vincent Eugene Bossilkov, bishop** of Nicopolis **and martyr**, of the Congregation of the Passion of Jesus, who, under a tyrannical regime, when he refused to separate himself from communion with Rome, was led to prison and cruelly mistreated, and under the charge of treason was condemned to death and killed by bullets.

November 12th

This Day, the Twelvth Day of November

Memorial of the passion of **Saint Josaphat (John) Kuncewicz**, **bishop** of Polotsk of the Ruthenians and martyr, who, with steadfast zeal, urged his flock toward Catholic unity, cherished with pious love the Byzantine-Slavic rite, and at Vitebsk in Belarus, then under the rule of Poland, was cruelly struck down by a tumultuous mob opposed to him, and died for the unity of the Church and the defense of Catholic truth.

2. At Ancyra in Galatia, **Saint Nilus, abbot**, who, regarded as a disciple of Saint John Chrysostom, long presided over a monastery, spreading ascetical teaching through his writings.

3. On the island of Lismore in Scotland, **Saint Macarius, bishop**, who, of Irish birth, is considered a disciple of Saint Columba and founder of this Church.

4. At Vienne in Burgundy, **Saint Hesychius, bishop**, who, raised from senatorial rank to the dignity of bishop, had as sons, born to him previously, Saint Apollinaris, bishop of the Church of Valence, and Avitus, who succeeded him in the see of Vienne.

5. In the woodlands of the Rioja region near Berceo in Spain, **Saint Aemilian, priest**, who, after a hermit and clerical life, at length professed the monastic life, and was renowned for generosity toward the poor and the spirit of prophecy.
6. At Cologne in Austrasia, **Saint Cunibert, bishop**, who, after barbarian invasions, renewed ecclesiastical life in the city and throughout the district, and the piety of the faithful.
7. At Deventer in Frisia, **Saint Lebuin, priest**, who, coming as a monk from England, took care to announce to the inhabitants of the region the peace and salvation of Christ.
8. At Kazimierz on the Vistula River in Poland, **the holy martyrs Benedict, John, Matthew, and Isaac**, who, sent to spread the Christian faith in parts of Poland, were murdered at night by robbers; **with them is also commemorated Christian, their servant**, who was hanged in the courtyard of the chapel.
9. At Pisa in Etruria, **blessed John Cini**, called “of Peace,” who, from military life, devoted himself to the service of God in the Third Order of Saint Francis.
10. At Alcalá in Spain, **Saint Didacus, religious** of the Order of Minors, who, both in the Canary Islands and at Rome in the monastery of Saint Mary in Ara Coeli, was renowned for humility and charity in caring for the sick.
11. In the city of *Tulimán* in Mexico, **Saint Margarito Flores, priest and martyr**, who, in the great persecution against the Church, was arrested because of the priesthood and killed by bullets, crowned with a noble martyrdom.

12. In the village of *Alcúdia* de Carlet in the district of Valencia in Spain, **blessed Joseph Medes Ferris, martyr**, to whom, in the time of persecution against the faith, the Lord granted the eternal reward for his fearless fidelity.

November 13th

This Day, the Thirteenth Day of November

1. At Caesarea in Palestine, **the passion of the holy martyrs Antoninus, Nicephorus, Zebina, Germanus, and Manatha, virgin**. She, under Emperor Galerius Maximian, was beaten with blows and burned with fire; but they, when with fearless and free voice they accused the governor Firmilian, who was sacrificing to the gods, of impiety, were beheaded.

2. At Aix-en-Provence in Gallia Narbonensis, **Saint Mitrius**, who, although of servile condition, in Christ departed from the world free and a victor in righteousness.

3. At Tours in Gallia Lugdunensis, **Saint Bricius, bishop**, who, a disciple of Saint Martin, succeeded his master and for forty-seven years was many times afflicted by adversities.

4. In Africa, **the commemoration of the holy Spanish martyrs Arcadius, Paschasius, Probus, and Eutychius**, who, since they would in no way allow themselves to be turned aside into the Arian heresy, were first proscribed by Gaiseric, king of the Vandals, then driven into exile, cruelly tortured with savage punishments, and finally killed by different kinds of death. **At the same time the constancy of the little boy Paulillus, brother of Paschasius and Eutychius,**

shone forth, who, since he could not be torn away from the Catholic faith, was for a long time beaten with clubs and condemned to the lowest servitude.

5. At Vienne in Gallia Lugdunensis, **Saint Leonian, abbot**, who, taken captive there from Pannonia by a hostile people, first at Autun, and soon after at Vienne, governed in the most holy manner for more than forty years monks and nuns

6. At Clermont in Aquitaine, **Saint Quinctian, bishop**, who first held the see of Rodez, but driven into exile by the Goths, was made bishop of Clermont.

7. At Tifernum Tiberinum in Umbria, **the commemoration of Saints Florentius, bishop**, whose truthful teaching and holiness Pope Saint Gregory the Great bore witness to, **and Amantius, his priest**, full of charity toward the sick and of all virtues.

8. At Rodez in Aquitaine, **Saint Dalmatius, bishop**, whose generosity to the poor Saint Gregory of Tours praises.

9. In the valley of Susa among the Swiss, **Saint Himerius, hermit**, who there preached the Gospel.

10. At Toledo in Spain, **Saint Eugenius, bishop**, who labored for the arranging of the sacred liturgy.

11. In the district of Cambrai in France, **Saint Maxellendis, virgin and martyr**, who, as is related, choosing Christ as her spouse, when she refused to follow the man to whom she had been promised by her parents, was struck down by him with the sword and died.

12. At Rome, near Saint Peter's, **Saint Nicholas the First, pope**, who, with apostolic vigor, excelled in strengthening the authority of the Roman Pontiff in the whole Church of God.

13. In the monastery of La Réole in Gascony in France, **the passing of Saint Abbo, abbot** of Fleury, wonderfully learned in the divine Scriptures and letters, who, when he was defending monastic discipline and strongly favoring peace, was struck down with a spear and died.

14. At Ivrea in the Subalpine region, **the commemoration of blessed Warmund, bishop**, outstanding in living faith, piety, and humility, who defended the freedom of the Church from the plots of the powerful, built the cathedral church, promoted the monastic order, and advanced the episcopal school.

15. At Cremona in Lombardy, **Saint Homobonus, merchant**, who was renowned for charity toward the poor, for gathering and educating abandoned children, and for reconciling families.

16. At Rome, **Saint Augustine (Livia) Pietrantoni, virgin** of the Congregation of the Sisters of Charity, who devoted herself in a Christian spirit to caring for those suffering from tuberculosis in the Hospital of the Holy Spirit, until she was struck down with a knife by a patient seized with the fury of homicide and died.

17. In the village of *Simat de Valldigna* in the district of Valencia in Spain, **blessed John Gonga Martinez, martyr**, who, when the persecution against the faith raged, poured out his blood for Christ.

18. In the village of *Portichol de Tavernes* near Carcaixent in the same district of Spain, **blessed Mary of the Patronage of Saint John Giner Gomis, virgin** of the

Institute of the Claretian Missionary Sisters of Mary Immaculate **and martyr**, who in the same persecution, through the contest of faith, received eternal life.

19. At Sofia in Bulgaria, **the blessed Peter Vichev, Paul (Joseph) Dzidzov, and Josaphat (Robert Matthew) Siskov, priests** of the Congregation of the Assumptionists, who, in a time of a regime hostile to God, falsely accused of the crime of treason and thrust into prison because they were Christians, merited to receive, in the struggle of death, the reward of faithful disciples of Christ.

November 14th

This Day, the Fourteenth Day of November

- 1.** At Heraclea in Thrace, **Saint Theodotus, martyr.**
- 2.** At Gangra in Paphlagonia, **Saint Hypatius, bishop**, who, on the road, was overwhelmed with stones by Novatian heretics and died a martyr.
- 3.** At Avignon in Provence, **Saint Rufus**, who is considered the first leader of the Christian community of this place.
- 4.** On the island of *Bardsey* off the northern coast of Wales, **Saint Dubricius, bishop and abbot.**
- 5.** At Trogir in Dalmatia, **Saint John, bishop**, who, from being a hermit in the Camaldolese monastery of Osor, was ordained to the episcopal office, and successfully defended the city from destruction by King Coloman.

6. At Eu in Normandy, **the passing of Saint Lawrence O'Toole (Lorcan Ua Tuathail), bishop** of Dublin, who, in the difficulties of his time, vigorously promoted the regular discipline of the Church and strove to reconcile concord between princes; at length, going to meet King Henry of England, he himself attained the joys of eternal peace.
7. In the monastery of Saint Mary of Gualdo Mazzocca near Campobasso in Italy, **blessed John of Tufara, hermit**.
8. At Mariëngaarde in Frisia, **Saint Siard, abbot** of the Order of Premonstratensians, who was distinguished for regular observance and generosity toward the poor.
9. At Algiers in North Africa, **Saint Serapion**, who was the first of the Order of the Blessed Virgin Mary of Mercy to merit to obtain the palm of martyrdom for the redemption of faithful captives and the preaching of the Christian faith.
10. At Jerusalem, **Saints Nicholas Tavelic, Deodatus Aribert, Stephen of Cuneo, and Peter of Narbonne, priests** of the Order of Minors **and martyrs**, who, openly preaching the Christian religion before the Saracens in the public forum and steadfastly confessing Christ the Son of God, were burned with fire.
11. At Caccamo in Sicily, **blessed John Liccio, priest** of the Order of Preachers, who, remarkable for tireless charity toward his neighbor, for spreading the prayer of the Rosary, and for zeal in regular discipline, rested in the Lord at the age of one hundred and eleven years.
12. At the fortress of Bình Định in Cochín-China [Vietnam], **Saint Stephen Theodore Cuenot, bishop** of the Paris Society of Missions to Foreign Lands **and**

martyr, who, after twenty-five years spent in apostolic labors, during the raging persecution of Christians by Emperor Tự Đức, was thrown into the elephant stable, and, worn out by hardships, died.

November 15th

This Day, the Fifteenth Day of November

Saint Albert, called “the Great,” bishop and Doctor of the Church, who, at Paris, having entered the Order of Preachers, taught philosophical and divine doctrines by word and by writings; master of Saint Thomas Aquinas, wonderfully uniting the wisdom of the saints with human and natural knowledge; afterward, unwillingly he received the see of Regensburg, striving constantly to establish peace among peoples, but after a year he preferred the poverty of the Order to every honor, and at Cologne in Lorraine in Germany he peacefully fell asleep.

2. At Hippo Regius in Numidia, **the twenty holy martyrs**, whose faith and victory Saint Augustine celebrated; **of these only the names of Fidentian, bishop, Valerian, and Victoria are recorded.**

3. At Edessa in Osrhoene, **the holy martyrs Gurias, ascetic, and Samonas**, who, under Emperor Diocletian, after long and severe torments, were condemned to death by the Mysian governor and beheaded with the sword.

4. At Nola in Campania, **Saint Felix**, whose pastoral care and honor adorn this city.
5. In Brittany, **Saint Malo, or Machutus, bishop** of Aleth, who was born in Wales and is said to have died among the Santones.
6. At Cahors in Aquitaine, **Saint Desiderius, bishop**, who built many churches and monasteries, as well as public buildings for the common good, and did not neglect to prepare souls for the heavenly Bridegroom as the true temple of Christ.
7. On Mount Irschenberg in Bavaria, **the holy martyrs Marinus, bishop, and Anianus**.
8. Near Rouen in Neustria, **Saint Sidonius, abbot**, who, born in Ireland, led the monastic life first at Jumièges, then on the island of Noirmoutier under the governance of Saint Philibert, and finally in the monastery he himself founded.
9. At Rheinau among the Swiss, **Saint Fintan**, who, born in Ireland, lived for a long time in a monastery and longer still enclosed in a cell near the church, for the love of God.
10. In the monastery of Klosterneuburg in Austria, **the deposition of Saint Leopold**, margrave of that land, who, still living, was adorned with the surname “the Pious,” a promoter of peace, and a friend to the poor and to the clergy.
11. At Reading in England, **the blessed martyrs Hugh Faringdon, or Cook, abbot** of the Order of Saint Benedict, **John Eynon, and John Rugg, priests**, who steadfastly resisted King Henry VIII when he claimed for himself the primacy of

the Church; for which reason, accused of treason, they were hanged and quartered in front of the monastery.

12. Likewise at Glastonbury in England, **the blessed martyrs Richard Whiting, abbot, Roger James, and John Thorne, priests** of the Order of Saint Benedict, who, falsely accused of treason or sacrilege, under the same king were led to the same punishments.

13. At Ferrara in Emilia, **blessed Lucy Broccadelli, religious**, who, both in marriage and in the monastery of the Third Order of Saint Dominic, patiently bore many sufferings and vexations.

14. At Nagasaki in Japan, **blessed Caius of Korea, martyr**, who, a **catechist**, was consigned to the fire for his confession of Christ.

15. In the place called Caaró in Paraguay, **the holy martyrs Roque González and Alfonso Rodríguez, priests** of the Society of Jesus, who won to Christ abandoned indigenous peoples by founding villages called “reductions,” in which arts and social life were freely joined with Christian conduct; for this reason, by a man addicted to magical arts, they were deceitfully killed. *

16. At Rome, **Saint Joseph Pignatelli, priest** of the Society of Jesus, who labored greatly for the restoration of that Order when it was almost extinct, and, outstanding in charity, humility, and integrity of life, was always intent upon the greater glory of God.

17. In the place of Mengo in Uganda, **Saint Joseph Mkasa Balikuddembe, martyr**, who, prefect of the royal court, after receiving baptism, won many youths to Christ and protected the pages of the court from the vices of King Mwanga; for

this reason, at the age of twenty-five, he was ordered by the enraged king to be beheaded, the first victim of his persecution.

18. At Savona in Liguria in Italy, **blessed Mary of the Passion (Hélène de Chappotin de Neuville), virgin**, who, captivated in the depths of her heart by the humility and simplicity of Saint Francis, founded *the Franciscan Missionaries of Mary*, continually caring for the condition of women in the lands of mission.

19. At Wadowice in Poland, **Saint Raphael of Saint Joseph (Joseph) Kalinowski, priest**, who, when the people rose up against the oppressor, was captured by the enemy in war and deported to Siberia, where he endured many hardships; finally restored to freedom, he entered the Order of Discalced Carmelites, which he greatly promoted.

November 16th

This Day, the Sixteenth Day of November

Saint Margaret, who, born in Hungary and married to King Malcolm III of Scotland, bore eight children, and was greatly concerned for the good of the kingdom and of the Church, joining prayer and fasting to generosity toward the poor, thus giving an example of the best of wives, mothers, and queens.

Saint Gertrude, called “the Great,” virgin, who, from childhood devoted with the greatest fervor and energy to solitude and the study of letters, having been wholly turned toward God, entered

the Cistercian monastery of Helfta near Eisleben in Saxony, Germany, where in a wondrous manner she hastened along the way of perfection, devoting herself to prayers and to the contemplation of Christ crucified. Her passing occurred on the day after this day.

3. At Capua in Campania, **Saints Augustine and Felicitas, martyrs**, who are said to have suffered under Emperor Decius.

4. At Déols in the territory of Bourges in France, **the commemoration of Saints Leocadius and Lusorius**, of whom the former, a senator of Gaul still a pagan, welcomed the first heralds of the Christian faith among the Bituriges and made his house in this village into a church; the latter, his son, is said to have departed from the world clothed in the white garments of a neophyte.

5. Likewise at Lyon in France, **Saint Eucherius**, who, from senatorial rank, together with his family, first withdrew to the neighboring island of Lérins to live an ascetic life; then, having been elected **bishop** of Lyon, wrote very many accounts of the passions of the holy martyrs.

6. Among the Swiss, **Saint Othmar, abbot**, who, at the site of the cell founded by Saint Gall, established a small hospital for lepers and a monastery under the observance of the Rule of Saint Benedict; on account of defending its rights, he was soon deported by neighboring powers into exile on an island of the Rhine, where he died.

7. In the monastery of Cava in Campania, **blessed Simeon, abbot**.

8. At Provins, a town of Sens in France, **the passing of Saint Edmund Rich, bishop** of Canterbury, who, having been afflicted with exile for the defense of the Church, died while living a holy life among the Cistercian monks at Pontigny.

9. At Assisi in Umbria, at Saint Damian's, **Saint Agnes, virgin**, who, following her sister Saint Clare in the flower of youth, under the guidance of Saint Francis embraced poverty with her whole heart.

10. At York in England, **blessed Edward Osbaldeston, priest and martyr**, of Lancashire, alumnus of the English College at Reims, who, under Queen Elizabeth I, was condemned to death for his priestly office, and underwent martyrdom by being hanged, drawn, and quartered.

November 17th

This Day, the Seventeenth Day of November

Memorial of **Saint Elizabeth of Hungary**, who, while still a young girl, was married to Louis, Count of Thuringia, to whom she bore three children; having become a widow, after having bravely endured great hardships, and already long intent on the meditation of heavenly things, she withdrew to the hospital in Marburg, Germany, which she had founded, embracing poverty and devoting herself to the care of the sick and the poor until her very last breath, died in the twenty-fifth year of her age.

2. At Neocaesarea in Pontus, **Saint Gregory, bishop**, who, as a young man, embraced the Christian faith, and, having advanced both in human and divine knowledge, was ordained bishop, renowned for his teaching, virtues, and apostolic labors, and, on account of the many signs wrought by him, was called Thaumaturgus [Wonder-worker].

3. At Caesarea in Palestine, **the holy martyrs Alphaeus and Zacchaeus**, who, in the first year of the persecution by the emperor Diocletian, when they had firmly confessed that God alone and Christ Jesus was king, after many torments, underwent the sentence of death.

4. At Cordova in Hispania Baetica, **Saint Acisclus, martyr**.

5. At Orléans in Gallia Lugdunensis, **Saint Aignan, bishop**, who, trusting in God alone, whose help he frequently obtained by prayers and tears, delivered his city from a siege by the Huns.

6. At Vienne in Burgundy, **Saint Namatius, bishop**, who both discharged civil duties rightly and held and adorned the episcopal see.

7. At Tours in Neustria, **Saint Gregory, bishop**, who succeeded Saint Euphronius in this see and composed the history of the Franks in truthful and simple style.

8. At Whitby in Northumbria, **Saint Hilda, abbess**, who received the faith and sacraments of Christ, and, placed in charge of a monastery, so greatly applied herself to the instruction of monks and nuns in the regular life, to the preservation of peace and charity, to labor, and to the reading of the divine Scriptures, that she was considered to have accomplished heavenly works upon earth.

9. At Ramosch in Rhaetia, **Saint Florinus, priest**, devoted with fidelity to the care of his parish.

10. At Constantinople, **Saint Lazarus, monk**, who, born in Armenia, was distinguished for his art as a painter of sacred images; when he refused to destroy

his works, he was, by order of the iconoclast emperor Theophilus, cruelly tortured; soon afterward, however, the controversy concerning the proper veneration of icons being settled, he was sent by the emperor Michael III to Rome to strengthen the concord and unity of the whole Church.

11. At Nocera in Sicily, **Saint Hugh, abbot**, who, sent by Saint Bernard of Clairvaux, established the Cistercian Order there and in Calabria.

12. At Lincoln in England, **Saint Hugh, bishop**, who, having been called from being a Carthusian monk to this episcopal see, gave outstanding service both in defending the liberties of the Church and in rescuing Jews from the hands of their enemies.

13. At Kraków in Poland, **blessed Salome**, who, Queen of Halicz, after the death of her husband King Coloman, professed the Rule of the Poor Clares and fulfilled with holiness the office of **abbess** in the monastery founded by herself.

14. At Helfta near Eisleben in Saxony, **the birthday of Saint Gertrude, virgin**, whose memorial is given on the preceding day.

15. At Asunción in Paraguay, **Saint John del Castillo, priest** of the Society of Jesus **and martyr**, who, in a village called a “reduction,” founded that same year by Saint Roch Gonzalez and committed to his care, by order of a man addicted to magical arts, was subjected to cruel torments and pelted with stones, and died for Christ. *

16. At Nagasaki in Japan, **the holy martyrs Jordan (Hyacinth) Ansalone and Thomas Hioji Rokuzayemon Nishi, priests** of the Order of Preachers, of whom the former first labored much for the Gospel in the Philippine Islands and then in Japan, the latter in the island of Formosa and, in his final years, in his own country,

where in the region of Nagasaki he was diligent in propagating the faith, until both, with unconquered spirit, under the supreme leader Tokugawa Iemitsu, were tortured for seven days in the gallows and pit, and died.

17. On the reefs of the bridge at Rochefort in France, **blessed Loup-Sebastien Hunot, priest** of Sens **and martyr**, who, in the time of the French upheaval, on account of the priesthood, was confined in a plague-ship anchored in the open sea, and, enduring all the hardships of captivity, was finally overcome by fever and completed his martyrdom.

18. In the city of Kapayivka in the district of Kiev, Ukraine, **blessed Josaphat Kocylovskyj, bishop** of Przemyśl **and martyr**, who, when the rule of his homeland was hostile toward God, gave up his soul as a faithful disciple of Christ.

* These three Jesuit missionaries, Saints Roque González Alfonso Rodríguez, and Juan del Castillo, priests of the Society of Jesus, killed within two days of each other, are honored together as the Protomartyrs of the Río de la Plata Region, having suffered in one and the same persecution instigated by resistance to the Christian faith and adherence to pagan magical practices. [Ed.]

November 18th

This Day, the Eighteenth Day of November

Dedication of the Basilicas of Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles, of which the former, built by the Emperor Constantine on the Vatican Hill over the tomb of Saint Peter, having collapsed through age, was restored in a larger form, and on this same recurring day was again consecrated; but the latter, on the Ostian Way, built by the

Emperors Theodosius and Valentinian, afterwards consumed by a wretched fire and entirely rebuilt, was dedicated on the tenth day of December. By their common commemoration, the brotherhood of the Apostles and the unity of the Church are in some way signified.

2. At Antioch in Syria, **Saint Romanus, martyr**, who, a deacon of the Church of Caesarea, when in the persecution of the Emperor Diocletian he saw Christians obeying the norms of the decrees and hastening to the images of idols, and had called them with a free voice to resist, after dreadful tortures and the cutting out of his tongue, was strangled in prison with a rope, and was crowned with a celebrated martyrdom.

3. At Columbarium in the district of Bourges in Aquitaine, **Saint Patroclus, priest**, who was a hermit and missionary.

4. In Brittany, **Saint Maudetus, abbot**, who led a monastic life on a deserted island and, as a master of spiritual life, gathered many saints into the number of his disciples.

5. At Coutances in Neustria, **Saint Romacharius, bishop**.

6. In the Velay district of Aquitaine, **Saint Theofredus, abbot and martyr**.

7. At Tours in Neustria, **the passing of Saint Odo, abbot** of Cluny, who restored monastic observance according to the Rule of Saint Benedict and the discipline of Saint Benedict of Aniane.

8. At Nagasaki in Japan, **the blessed martyrs Leonard Kimura, religious** of the Society of Jesus, **Andrew Murayama Tokuan, Cosmas Takeya, John Yoshida Shoun, and Dominic Jorge**, who were burned with fire for the name of Christ.

9. In the city of Saint Charles in Missouri in the United States of America, **Saint Philippine Duchesne, virgin** of the Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, who, born in France, when trouble was raging in her homeland, gathered a religious community, and, crossing into America, founded many schools.

10. At Ferentino near Frosinone in Italy, **blessed Grimoald of the Purification (FerDinand) Santamaria, religious** of the Congregation of the Passion, who, while with fervor and joy he was preparing himself for the priesthood, was seized with illness and piously died.

11. In the village of *Wal-Ruda* in Poland, **blessed Caroline Kózka, virgin and martyr**, who, while war was raging, when she wished to defend her chastity from a soldier, struck with a sword while still a youth, died for Christ.

12. At Madrid in Spain, **the blessed Mary of Refuge (Mary Gabriela) Hinojosa y Naveros and five companions,¹ virgins** of the Order of the Visitation of Holy Mary **and martyrs**, who, when persecution was raging, enclosed in a monastery, but deceitfully seized by soldiers, pierced with bullets, migrated to Christ their Spouse.

November 19th

This Day, the Nineteenth Day of November

1. Commemoration of **Saint Abdias, prophet**, who, after the exile of the people of Israel, announced the wrath of the Lord against the hostile nations.
2. At Caesarea in Cappadocia, **Saint Maximus, chorepiscopus and martyr**.
3. In the village of Brennac near Vienne in Lugdunensian Gaul, **Saints Severinus, Exsuperius, and Felician, martyrs**.
4. At Antioch in Syria, **Saint Barlaam, martyr**, who, a rustic and unlearned man, but fortified with the wisdom of Christ, when fire with incense had been placed in his hand, resisted with unconquered constancy of faith, and, by reason of the ferocity of the tyrant, attained to the palm [of martyrdom].
5. At Heraclea in Thrace, **the holy women, virgins and widows, numbering forty, martyrs**.
6. In the Vellaiacum district of Aquitaine, **Saint Eudo, abbot**.
7. On Mount Mercury in Calabria, **Saint Simon, hermit**.
8. In the monastery of Helfta in Saxony, **Saint Mechtildis, virgin**, who was a woman of exquisite learning and humility, and was endowed with the heavenly gift of mystical contemplation.
9. At Mantua in Lombardy, **blessed James Benfatti, bishop**, of the Order of Preachers, who, after settling dissensions in the city, relieved the people afflicted by plague and famine.

10. In the village of Garraý in the district of Valencia in Spain, **the blessed martyrs Eliseo García, religious** of the Salesian Society, **and Alexander Planas Sauri**, who, in the time of persecution against the faith, were deemed worthy to be associated with the saving contest of Christ.

November 20th

This Day, the Twentieth Day of November

- 1.** At Antioch in Syria, **Saint Basil, martyr.**
- 2.** In the city of Astigi in Baetica, Spain, **Saint Crispin, bishop and martyr.**
- 3.** At Durostorum in Moesia, **Saint Dasius, martyr.**
- 4.** At Augusta Taurinorum in Liguria, **Saints Octavius, Solutor, and Adventor, martyrs.**
- 5.** At Vercelli likewise in Liguria, **Saint Theonestus, martyr**, in whose honor Saint Eusebius the bishop built a basilica.
- 6.** At Benevento in Campania, **Saint Doro, bishop.**
- 7.** At Chalon-sur-Saône in Burgundy, **Saint Silvester, bishop**, who, in the forty-second year of his priesthood, full of days and virtues, departed to the Lord.

8. At Mount Jura in the territory of Lyon, **Saint Hippolytus, abbot and bishop**.
9. At Constantinople, **Saint Gregory of Decapolis, monk**, who first professed the monastic life and later the eremitical life; then, becoming a pilgrim, he remained for a long time at Thessalonica, and finally at Constantinople, where, fighting bravely for the defense of the sacred Images, he gave back his soul to God.
10. In England, **Saint Edmund, martyr**, who, **king** of the East Angles, captured in battle against pagan invaders, was crowned with martyrdom for the faith of Christ.
11. At Hildesheim in Saxony, Germany, **Saint Bernward, bishop**, who defended his flock from incursions, restored the discipline of the clergy by many synods, and fostered the monastic life.
12. In Calabria, **Saint Cyprian, abbot** of Calamizzi, who faithfully observed the precepts and examples of the Eastern [monastic] institutes, severe with himself, but generous to the poor, and a good counselor to all.
13. At Hanoi in Tonkin [Vietnam], **Saint Francis Xavier Cấn**, martyr, who, a catechist, under the emperor Minh Mang, was strangled and beheaded for the faith.
14. At Veroli in Latium, Italy, **blessed Maria Fortunata (Anna Felice) Viti**, of the Order of Saint Benedict, who for nearly the whole course of her life took care of the vestment room, intent with all her heart on observing only the precepts of the Rule.

15. Near Valencia in Spain, the **blessed Angela of Saint Joseph (Francisca) Lloret Martí and fourteen companions,² virgins and martyrs**, of whom one was superior general and the rest religious of the Congregation of the Doctrine of the Christian, who, during the persecution against the Church raging in the civil war, suffered for the faith of Christ.

16. In the village of Picadero de Paterna likewise in the district of Valencia in Spain, **blessed Maria of the Miracles Ortells Gimeno, virgin** of the Order of Poor Clares Capuchins and martyr, in the same period crowned for the witness of Christ.

November 21st

This Day, the Twenty-first Day of November

Memorial of the Presentation of the blessed Virgin Mary.
On the day after the dedication of the Basilica of Saint Mary the New, built near the wall of the Temple at Jerusalem, is celebrated that dedication which the future Mother of God made of herself to God from her infancy, moved by the Holy Spirit, with whose grace she had been filled in her Immaculate Conception.

2. Commemoration of **Saint Rufus**, whom blessed Paul the Apostle, writing to the Romans, says was chosen by the Lord.

3. At Poreč in Istria, **Saint Maurus, bishop and martyr**.

4. At Caesarea in Palestine, **Saint Agapius, martyr**, who, already more than once tortured, but always deferring to greater contests, during the games in the amphitheater before Maximin himself, was given over to be devoured by a bear, and, while he was still breathing, on the following day, with stones tied to his feet, was plunged into the sea.

5. At Rome, near Saint Peter's, **Saint Gelasius the First, pope**, who, remarkable for doctrine and holiness, lest the imperial authority harm the unity of the Church, was the first to set forth clearly the distinct properties and mutual liberty of the two powers; moved with the greatest charity and by the needs of the poor, in order to help the needy, he died in extreme poverty.

6. At Cresson in Umbria, **Saint Maurus, bishop**.

7. At Rome, **blessed Mary of Jesus the Good Shepherd (Franciszka) Siedliska, virgin**, who, having departed from Poland on account of the difficulties of the state, founded *the Institute of the Sisters of the Holy Family of Nazareth* for the care of her country's emigrants.

November 22nd

This Day, the Twenty-second Day of November

Memorial of **Saint Cecilia, virgin and martyr**, who is said to have attained that twofold palm at Rome in the cemetery of Callistus on the Appian Way for the love of Christ, and whose name from ancient times has been given to the title-church in Trastevere.

2. Commemoration of Saint Philemon of Colossae, in whose love for Christ Jesus blessed Paul the Apostle rejoiced, and who is venerated together with Saint Apphia, his wife.

3. At Arbela in Persia, **Saint Ananias, martyr**, who, in the time of the persecution of King Shapur the Second, by order of Ardisag the high magus, was arrested and beaten with cudgels with such great severity three times that the executioners, thinking him already dead, left him lying in the street; but on the following night he was carried by Christians to his own home, where he breathed his last.

4. At Milan in Liguria, **Saint Benignus, bishop**, who, in the great turmoil of invasions, governed with the greatest constancy and piety the Church committed to him.

5. At Autun in Lugdunensian Gaul, **Saint Pragmatius, bishop**.

6. By the river *Zihun* near the city of *Marash* in Cilicia, the **blessed Salvator Lilli, priest** of the Order of Friars Minor, **John son of Balzi, and six other companions of Armenian race,³ martyrs**, who, commanded by Ottoman soldiers to deny Christ, when they refused to betray their faith, were pierced with lances and departed to the eternal kingdom.

7. In the village of Triora in Liguria in the region of Italy, **blessed Thomas Reggio, bishop** of Genoa, who, joining to austerity of life a marvelous gentleness of manner, brought about civil concord and in every way assisted the poor, chiefly taking care for the relief of human distress.

8. In the city of *Teocaltiche* in Mexico, **Saint Peter Esqueda Ramírez, priest and martyr**, who, in the Mexican persecution, was thrown into prison on account of the priesthood, and was at last slain by bullets.

9. In the city of *Paterna* in the district of Valencia in Spain, the **blessed Elías (Julián) Torrijo Sánchez and Bertrán (Francisco) Lahoz Moliner, religious** of the Institute of the Brothers of the Christian Schools and martyrs, who, supported by the example of Christ, in the religious persecution merited to obtain the eternal reward promised to those who persevere.

November 23rd

This Day, the Twenty-third Day of November

Saint Clement the First, pope, martyr, who, the third after blessed Peter the Apostle, governed the Roman Church and wrote to the Corinthians a remarkable letter for the strengthening of peace and concord among them. On this day the deposition of his body is celebrated at Rome.

Saint Columban, abbot, who, an Irishman by birth, becoming a pilgrim for Christ to teach the peoples of Gaul in the Gospel, founded Luxeuil along with many other monasteries, which he himself governed with strict discipline; then, forced into exile, he crossed the Alps and founded the monastery of Bobbio in Liguria,

celebrated for discipline and studies, where, having greatly merited of the Church, he died in peace, and on this day his body was laid to rest.

3. At Rome in the cemetery of Maximus on the New Salarian Way, **Saint Felicity, martyr.**

4. At Chiusi in Etruria, **Saint Mustiola, martyr.**

5. At Cyzicus in the Hellespont, **Saint Sisinnius, bishop and martyr**, who, in the persecution of the emperor Diocletian, after many torments, is said to have been slain by the sword.

6. At Metz in Gallia Belgica, **the commemoration of Saint Clement**, who is held to have been the first **bishop** of that city.

7. At Mérida in Lusitania, **Saint Lucretia, martyr.**

8. At Iconium in Lycaonia, **Saint Amphilochius, bishop**, who, the companion in the desert of Saints Basil and Gregory of Nazianzus, and colleague in the episcopate, renowned for holiness and teaching, endured many struggles for the Catholic faith.

9. At Paris in Lugdunensian Gaul, **Saint Severin**, who, enclosed in a cell, devoted himself to divine contemplation.

10. At Agrigento in Sicily, **Saint Gregory, bishop**, who is said to have explained the sacred books so as to open what was hidden to the unlearned.

11. At Sint-Truiden in Brabant of Austrasia, **Saint Trudo, priest**, who gave his goods to the Church of Metz, rebuilt there a monastery, and gathered disciples.

12. At Alba Pompeia in the Subalpine region, **blessed Margaret of Savoy**, who, becoming a widow, gave herself to God in the monastery of nuns of the Order of Preachers, which she herself had founded.

13. At Seoul in Korea, **Saint Cecilia Yu So-sa, martyr**, who, a **widow**, stripped of her goods for the faith and cast into prison, was interrogated twelve times under questioning and so afflicted with the punishment of beatings that, nearly eighty years old, she died in prison.

14. In the village of Guadalupe in the territory of Zacatecas in Mexico, **blessed Miguel Agustín Pro, priest** of the Society of Jesus **and martyr**, who, during the persecution against the Church, condemned to death without trial as an accomplice in a crime, fulfilled the martyrdom which was his burning desire.

15. At Madrid in Spain, **blessed Maria Cecilia (Maria Felicidad) Cendoya y Araquistain, virgin** of the Order of the Visitation of Holy Mary **and martyr**, who, in the great persecution, when her sisters had been arrested, voluntarily surrendered herself the same night to the soldiers, and together with her companions confirmed the witness of the faith by the supreme sacrifice.

November 24th

This Day, the Twenty-fourth Day of November

Memorial of Saints Andrew Dũng-Lạc, priest, and companions,⁴ martyrs. By a common celebration, one hundred and seventeen martyrs are honored in the regions of Tonkin, Annam, and Cochin China [Vietnam] in Asia, among whom were eight bishops, very many priests, and a vast multitude of lay Christian faithful of both sexes and of every condition and age, all of whom preferred to suffer exiles, prisons, tortures, and finally the most extreme punishments rather than to trample on the cross and fall away from the Christian faith.

2. At Aquileia in Venetia, **the commemoration of Saint Chrysogonus, martyr**, who at Rome is celebrated on the anniversary day of the dedication of the church with the title of his name.
3. At Amelia in Umbria, **Saint Firmina, martyr**.
4. At Milan in Liguria, **Saint Protasius, bishop**, who defended the cause of Saint Athanasius before the emperor Constans and sat in the Council of Sardica.
5. At Blaye in the territory of Bordeaux in Aquitaine, **Saint Romanus, priest**.
6. At Cloyne in Ireland, **Saint Colman, bishop** of Cloyne.
7. In the territory of Auvergne in Aquitaine, **Saint Portianus, abbot**, who, a slave in youth, sought refuge and liberty at a monastery, where, having become a monk, and later abbot, he died in old age, worn out by fastings.

8. At Córdoba in the region of Andalusia in Spain, **Saints Flora and Mary, virgins and martyrs**, who, in the persecution by the Moors, were cast into prison together with Saint Eulogius, and then slain by the sword.

9. At Reims in France, **the passion of Saint Albert of Leuven, bishop** of Liège **and martyr**, who, on account of defending the Church, was sent into exile, and there, in the same year in which he was ordained, was also killed.

10. In the monastery of Cava in Campania, blessed Balsamus, abbot, who, amid troubles and conflicts—

11. In the city of *Đồng Hới* in Annam [Vietnam], **the holy martyrs Peter Dumoulin-Borie, bishop** of the Paris Foreign Mission Society, and **Peter Võ Đăng Khoa and Vincent Nguyễn Thế Diễm, priests**, the first of whom was beheaded, and the others strangled, by order of the emperor Minh Mạng.

12. At Milan in Italy, **blessed Maria Anna Sala, virgin** of the Congregation of the Sisters of Saint Marcellina, who devoted herself wholly to the education of girls, as a teacher of learning supported by faith and piety.

13. In the village of *Picadero de Paterna* in the district of Valencia in Spain, the **blessed Niceta of Saint Prudence Plaja Xifra and companions**,⁵ **virgins** of the Institute of the Carmelite Sisters of Charity **and martyrs**, who, bearing bright lamps, were deemed worthy to enter with Christ the Bridegroom into the eternal banquet.

November 25th

This Day, the Twenty-fifth Day of November

Saint Catherine, who is said to have been a virgin of Alexandria and a martyr, filled not less with sharpness of intellect and wisdom than with strength of spirit. Her body is venerated with pious devotion in the celebrated monastery on Mount Sinai.

2. At Caesarea in Cappadocia, **Saint Mercury, martyr.**

3. At Rome, **the commemoration of Saint Moses, priest and martyr**, who, after Saint Fabian the pope had been killed under the emperor Decius, together with the college of presbyters took care of the brethren in the Church; he judged that peace should be granted to the lapsed, the weak, and those at the point of death, and, having been kept for a long time in prison, often consoled them through the letters of Saint Cyprian of Carthage, and was crowned with an extraordinary and admirable martyrdom.

4. At Alexandria in Egypt, **Saint Peter, bishop and martyr**, who, adorned with every virtue, was suddenly, by order of the emperor Galerius Maximian, beheaded, and became the last victim of the great persecution and the seal of the martyrs. **With him are commemorated three Egyptian bishops, namely Hesychius, Pachomius, and Theodorus, with many others**, who likewise at Alexandria, in the same persecution, suffered, and were carried to heaven by the cruel sword.

5. In Numidia, **Saint Marculus, bishop**, who, as it is said, in the time of the emperor Constans, was hurled from a rock by a certain Macarius and died as a martyr.

6. In the territory of Agen in Aquitaine, **Saint Maurinus, martyr**, who, devoted to preaching the Gospel to the rural people, is said to have been slain by pagans.
7. In the district of Valencia in Gaul, **blessed Beatrice of Ornacieux, virgin** of the Carthusian Order, who, distinguished by her love of the Cross, lived and died in extreme poverty in the monastery of Eymeux, which she had founded.
8. At Reute in Swabia, **blessed Elizabeth Achler, called “the Good,” virgin**, who, living as if enclosed in the Third Order Regular of Saint Francis, wonderfully practiced humility, poverty, and bodily affliction.
9. At Seoul in Korea, **Saint Peter Yi Ho-yang, martyr**, who, **a catechist, together with his sister Saint Agatha Yi So-sa**, having been captured by soldiers, and remaining firm in the confession of the faith, after his bones had been broken three times, was held in prison for four years, where he was the first to die of the glorious band of martyrs of this nation.
10. In the village of Puebla de Híjar near Teruel in Spain, **blessed Hyacinth Serrano López, priest** of the Order of Preachers **and martyr**, who, in the persecution against the Church, was pierced with bullets. With him is commemorated **blessed James Meseguer Burillo, martyr, priest** of the same Order, who at Barcelona, on an unknown day, accomplished an outstanding contest for Christ.
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November 26th

This Day, the Twenty-sixth Day of November

1. At Rome in the cemetery of Priscilla on the New Salarian Way, **Saint Siricius, pope**, whom Saint Ambrose rightly praises as a true teacher, inasmuch as, bearing the burdens of all the bishops, he taught them the precepts of the Fathers, which he also confirmed with apostolic authority.
2. At Hadrianopolis in Paphlagonia, **Saint Alypius, deacon and stylite**, who died nearly a hundred years old.
3. At Constance in Swabia of Germany, **Saint Conrad, bishop**, who, an excellent shepherd of his flock, generously provided from his own means for the Church and for the poor.
4. At Lacedaemon in the Peloponnesus, **Saint Nikon, monk**, who, after living the cenobitic and eremitical life in Asia, devoted himself, after the island of Crete was freed from the yoke of the Saracens, to restoring Christians to their morals with evangelical zeal; then, traveling through Greece preaching penance, he died in the Spartan monastery which he had founded.
5. In a forest near Fratta in the territory of Rovigo in Venetia, **the passion of Saint Bellinus, bishop of Padua and martyr**, who, an extraordinary defender of the Church, cruelly set upon by assassins, fell after receiving many wounds.
6. In the monastery of Canons Regular of Sées in Savoy, **blessed Pontius of Faucigny**, who, formerly **abbot** of Abondance, having laid down the office, wished to die as a simple **religious**.
7. At Fabriano in Piceno of Italy, **Saint Sylvester Gozzolini, abbot**, who, when before the open tomb of a friend who had died shortly before, he understood all the vanity of the world, withdrew into the desert, and, having changed his dwelling places various times to be more hidden from men, finally in the wilderness near

Montefano laid the foundations of *the Congregation of the Sylvestrines*, under the Rule of Saint Benedict.

8. At Apt in Provence, **blessed Delphina, wife** of Saint Elzear of Sabran, with whom she had vowed that they would both remain chaste, and after whose death she remained in poverty and prayer.

9. At York in England, **the blessed martyrs Hugh Taylor, priest, and Marmaduke Bowes**, the former, a young man, because he had gone to England as a priest, the latter, an old man, because he had assisted the same priest, under Queen Elizabeth the First were given over to the punishment of the gallows.

10. At Bisignano in Calabria, **Saint Humilis (Luke Anthony) Pirozzo, religious** of the Order of Friars Minor, renowned for the spirit of prophecy and for the frequency of ecstasies.

11. At Rome in the convent of Saint Bonaventure on the Palatine, **Saint Leonard of Port Maurice, priest** of the Order of Friars Minor, who, filled with zeal for souls, devoted nearly his whole life to preaching, to publishing pious books, and to visiting more than three hundred missions in the City, in the island of Corsica, and throughout northern Italy.

12. In the city of Nam Định in Tonkin [Vietnam], **the holy martyrs Thomas Đình Viết Dụ and Dominic Nguyễn Văn (Đoàn) Xuyên, priests** of the Order of Preachers, who, by decree of the emperor Minh Mang, were beheaded together.

13. At Bassano near Vicenza in Italy, **blessed Caietana Sterni, religious**, who, left a widow while still young, gave herself entirely to the service of the poor and founded *the Congregation of the Sisters of the Divine Will*, to minister to the poor and the sick.

14. At Rome, **blessed James Alberione, priest**, who, greatly concerned for evangelization, strove with every effort and endeavor to direct the instruments of social communication to the good of human society and to make them means that would more effectively proclaim the truth of Christ; for this reason, he founded *the Congregation of the Priests of the Society of Saint Paul the Apostle*.

November 27th

This Day, the Twenty-seventh Day of November

- 1.** By the River Cea in Galicia, **the holy martyrs Facundus and Primitivus**.
- 2.** At Grumento in Lucania, **Saint Lavarius, martyr**.
- 3.** At Aquileia in Venetia, **Saint Valerian, bishop**, who defended the orthodox faith in Illyricum against the Arians and gathered clergy and laity to live a common life.
- 4.** In Persia, **Saint James, surnamed “the Dismembered,” martyr**, who, in the time of the emperor Theodosius the Younger, having denied Christ in service to King Yazdegerd, was bitterly rebuked by his mother and wife; whereupon he returned to himself and fearlessly confessed himself to be a Christian before Vararanes, son and successor of Yazdegerd. Therefore, by order of the angry king, sentence of death having been passed upon him, he was commanded to be cut limb from limb and beheaded.

5. At Riez in Provence, **Saint Maximus**, after Saint Honoratus the father of the monastery of Lérins, and soon after bishop of the Church of Riez.
6. In the district of Blois in Gaul, **Saint Eusicius, hermit**, who built for himself a little cell at the foot of Mount Cari.
7. At Carpentras in Provence, **Saint Siffred, bishop**.
8. At Noyon in Gaul, **Saint Achar, bishop**, who, from being a monk of Luxeuil, having been elected to the Church of Noyon and Tournai, devoted himself to the evangelization of the peoples of the northern regions.
9. At Mainz in Rhenish Austrasia, **Saint Bilhildis, virgin**, who built a monastery in which she piously died.
10. In Scotland, **Saint Fergus, bishop**, who is said to have exercised his office among the Picts.
11. At Salzburg in Bavaria, **Saint Virgilius, bishop**, a man of great learning, Irish by nation, who, with the favor of King Pepin, was placed over the Church of Salzburg; there he built a cathedral church in honor of Saint Rupert and worked successfully to spread the faith among the Carantanians.
12. At Belle-Île on the coast of Gaul in the district of Nantes in Brittany, **Saint Gulstan, monk**, who, as a youth having escaped from the hands of pirates and been received by Saint Felix, then a hermit in the monastery of Rhuys, though illiterate, became renowned for reciting the psalter by heart and for aiding sailors.

13. At L'Aquila in the Abruzzi of Italy, **blessed Bernardine of Fossa (John) Amici, priest** of the Order of Minors, who spread the Catholic faith through many provinces of Italy.

14. At Nagasaki in Japan, the **blessed Thomas Koteda Kiuni and ten companions, martyrs**, who, out of hatred for the faith, by order of the governor Gonzuku, were beheaded.

15. In the internment camp of Dachau near Munich in Bavaria, Germany, **blessed Bronislaw Kostkowski, martyr**, who, during the military occupation of Poland, afflicted with terrible torments in prison, attained the palm of martyrdom.

November 28th

This Day, the Twenty-eight Day of November

1. At Sebaste in Armenia, **Saint Irenarchus, martyr**, who, being an executioner of punishment, was converted to Christ by the constancy of Christian women, and is said to have been beheaded under the emperor Diocletian and the governor Maximus.

2. In Africa, **the commemoration of the holy martyrs Papinian of Vita and Mansuetus of Urusi, bishops**, who, in the time of the Vandal persecution, under King Genseric the Arian, for the defense of the Catholic faith, having been burned over their whole body with heated plates of iron, completed their glorious contest. At which time also other holy bishops — namely **Urban of Girba, Crescens of Byzacena, Habetdeus of Teudalis, Eustratius of Sufetula, Cresconius of Oea, Vicis of Sabratha, Felix of Hadrumetum**, and afterwards, under Hunneric,

son of Genseric, Hortulanus of Bennefa and Florentian of Midila — having been sent into exile, fulfilled the course of their life in the confession of the faith.

3. At Constantinople, **Saint Stephen the Younger, monk and martyr**, who, under the emperor Constantine Copronymus, for the veneration of holy Images, having been tortured with various punishments, confirmed the Catholic truth by the shedding of his blood.

4. Near Rossano in Calabria, **Saint Theodora, abbess**, disciple of Saint Nilus the Younger and teacher of the monastic life.

5. At Naples in Campania, **the deposition of Saint James of the Marches (James of Piceno), priest** of the Order of Minors, renowned for his preaching and austerity of life.

6. At York in England, **blessed James Thomson, priest and martyr**, who, under Queen Elizabeth the First, condemned to death because he had reconciled very many to the Catholic Church, was handed over to the punishment of the gallows.

7. In the district of *Khám Đường* in Annam [Vietnam], **Saint Andrew Trần Văn Trông, martyr**, who, because he refused to trample on the cross, after prison and cruel tortures, was beheaded under the emperor Minh Mạng.

8. In the place *Paracuellos del Jarama* near Madrid in Spain, the **blessed John of Jesus (Mariano) Adradas Gonzalo, priest, and fourteen companions,⁷ martyrs**, who, religious of the Order of Saint John of God, in the time of persecution were crowned with illustrious passion.

9. In the village of *Picadero de Paterna* in the district of Valencia likewise in Spain, **blessed Aloysius Campos Górriz, martyr**, who, in the same religious persecution, crowned with glorious death a life joyfully devoted to works of apostolate and charity.

November 29th

This Day, the Twenty-ninth Day of November

1. At Rome, in the cemetery of Thrason on the New Salarian Way, **Saint Saturninus of Carthage, martyr**, who, according to Pope Saint Damasus, under the emperor Decius was placed on the rack in his native land for the sake of Christ, and then sent into exile to Rome. There, after enduring and overcoming further cruel torments, he converted the tyrant Gratian to the faith, and, having been beheaded, received the crown of martyrdom.

2. At Toulouse in Narbonnensian Gaul, **the commemoration of Saint Saturninus, bishop and martyr**, who, as it is said, in the time of the same Decius, was seized by pagans in the Capitol of this city and thrown from the top of the citadel down the steps, so that, with his head dashed and his whole body torn, he gave back his soul to Christ.

3. At Ancyra in Galatia, **Saint Philomenus, martyr**, who, in the persecution of the emperor Aurelian, under the governor Felix, having been thrown into the fire, and then with his hands, feet, and head fixed with nails, is said to have completed his martyrdom.

4. At Todi in Umbria, **Saint Illuminata, virgin.**
5. At Batnae likewise in Osrhoene, **Saint James, bishop** of Sarug, who, by sermons, homilies, and verses, enlightened this Church with the purest faith, and is venerated among the Syrians with Saint Ephrem as a doctor and pillar of the Church.
6. At Deventer in Frisia, **the translation of Saint Radbod, bishop** of Utrecht, who, a learned and prudent shepherd, died while visiting the countryside.
7. At York in England, **blessed Edward Burden, priest and martyr**, who, having completed his studies at the English College at Reims and having been ordained priest, returned to the dominions of Queen Elizabeth the First, and on the gallows before a raging crowd completed his passion.
8. In the same place, eight years later, **the blessed martyrs George Errington, William Gibson, and William Knight**, who, because they had defended priests proscribed for that very fact, were given over to martyrdom after various tortures.
9. In Aceh on the island of Sumatra, **the blessed martyrs Denis of the Nativity (Peter Berthelot), priest, and Redemptus of the Cross (Thomas Rodriguez), religious**, of the Order of Discalced Carmelites, who, first reduced to slavery by the Muslims, were at length on the seashore killed with arrows and the sword.
10. At Lucera in Apulia, **Saint Francis Anthony Fasani, priest** of the Order of Conventual Friars Minor, who, a man of exquisite learning, greatly supported by zeal for preaching and penance, cared for the poor and needy so much that he never hesitated to take off his own garment to clothe a beggar, and offered Christian help to all.

11. In the place called *El Saler* near Valencia in Spain, **blessed Alfred Simon Colomina, priest** of the Society of Jesus and martyr, who, in the persecution against the Church, confirmed his fidelity to the Lord with his blood.

November 30th

This Day, the Thirtieth Day of November

Feast of **Saint Andrew, Apostle**, who, born at Bethsaida, the brother of Simon Peter and with him a fisherman, was the first of the disciples of John the Baptist to be called by the Lord Jesus at the Jordan. He followed Him and even brought his brother to Him. After Pentecost, he is said to have preached the Gospel in Achaia and at Patras to have been affixed to the cross. The Church of Constantinople holds him in special honor as a most eminent patron.

2. At Milan in Liguria, **Saint Miocles, bishop**, whom Saint Ambrose mentions among his faithful predecessors in the episcopate.

3. In Brittany, **Saint Tugdual**, surnamed Pabu, **abbot and bishop**, who founded a monastery in the region of Trégor.

4. At Mount Siepi in Etruria, **Saint Galganus Guidotti, hermit**, who, after a dissipated youth, converted to God and spent the rest of his life in voluntary bodily penance.

5. At Montpellier in Provence of Gaul, **blessed John of Vercelli Garbella, priest**, who, as Master General of the Order of Preachers, earnestly preached reverence for the name of Jesus.

6. At Regensburg in Bavaria of Germany, **blessed Frederick, religious** of the Order of Hermits of Saint Augustine, who, a skilled carpenter, excelled in fervor for prayer, obedience, and charity.

7. At St. Stephen-in-the-Fields in England, **Saint Cuthbert Mayne, priest and martyr**, who, having embraced the Catholic faith and been ordained priest, exercised his ministry in Cornwall until, under Queen Elizabeth the First, he was condemned to death because he had made Apostolic Letters public property, and was given over to the punishment of the gallows — *the first of the alumni of the English College at Douai*.

8. At York likewise in England, **blessed Alexander Crow, priest and martyr**, who, from a humble shoemaker became a priest, and under the same queen, because of the priesthood, gloriously completed the course of his martyrdom on the gallows.

9. In the place *Quxian* in the province of *Sichuan* in China, **Saint Thaddeus Liu Ruiting, priest and martyr**, who was strangled out of hatred for the faith.

10. At Hué in Annam [Vietnam], **Saint Joseph Marchand, priest** of the Paris Foreign Mission Society **and martyr**, who, under the emperor Minh Mạng, was condemned to the punishment of one hundred blows.

11. In the place *Paracuellos del Jarama* near Madrid in Spain, **the blessed Michael Ruedas Megías and six companions,⁸ martyrs**, religious of the Order of

Saint John of God, outstanding in the confession of Christ, who, renowned for their confession [of faith], while the persecution was raging, by the violence of the enemies of the Church departed to the Lord

12. Likewise at Valencia in Spain, **blessed Joseph Otin Aquile, priest** of the Salesian Society **and martyr**, who, in the same time, undefeated in the constancy of faith, came to the heavenly kingdom.

13. Near Munich in Bavaria of Germany, in the internment camp of Dachau, **blessed Louis Roch Gientyngier, priest and martyr**, who, during the occupation of Poland in the war, in crimes perpetrated by the regime hostile to the faith, afflicted with torments, gave up his spirit.

1. Whose names are: Blessed Teresa Mary (Laura) Cavestany y Anduaga, Joseph Mary (Mary of Carmel) Barrera y Izaguirre, Mary Agnes (Agnes) Zudaire y Galdeano, Mary Angela (Martina) Olaizola y Garagarza, Mary Engratia (Joseph Joachim) Lecuona y Aramburu.

2. Whose names are: Blessed Mary of Suffrage (Antonia Mary) Orts Baldo, Mary of Sorrows (Mary of Monte Serrato) Llimona Planas, Teresa of Saint Joseph (Ascensio) Duart y Roig, Elizabeth Ferrer Sabria, Mary of the Assumption (Josepha) Mongoche Homs, Mary of the Conception (Emilia) Marti Lacal, Mary Grace (Paula) of Saint Anthony, Heart of Jesus (Mary of the Purification) Gomez Vives, Mary of Help (Teresa) Jimenez Baldovi, Mary of Sorrows (Gertrude) Suris Brusola, Ignatia of the Most Blessed Sacrament (Josepha) Pascual Pallardo, Mary of the Rosary (Catherine) Calpe Ibanez, Mary of Peace (Mary Isabella) Lopez Garcia, Marcella of Saint Thomas (Aurea) Navarro.

3. Whose names are: Blessed K'adir, son of Xodian, Cerun, son of K'uraz, Vardavar, son of Dimbalac, Paul, son of Jeremiah, David and Theodore, sons of David, brothers.

4. Whose names are: Saints Clement Ignacio Delgado Cebrián, Dominic Henares, Jerome Hermosilla, Joseph Mary Díaz Sanjurjo, Melchior García San Pedro, Peter Dumoulin-Borie, Valentine Berrio Ochoa, bishops; Augustine Schoeffler, Bernard Víl Van Duê, Dominic Cilm, Dominic Mâu, Dominic Nguyen Van (Doan) Xuyen, Dominic Nguyen Van Hinh (Dieu), Dominic Trạch, Dominic Tuć, Emmanuel Nguyen Van Triêu, Francis Gil de Frederich, Francis Jaccard,

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Hyacinth Castañeda, James Đô Mai Nam, John Charles Cornay, John Dât, John Doan Trinh Hoan, John Louis Bonnard, John Theophane Vénard, Joseph Dăng Đình (Nien) Viên, Joseph Đô Quang Hiên, Joseph Fernandez, Joseph Marchand, Joseph Nguyen Đình Nghi, Joseph Tufò, Isidore Gagelin, Lawrence Nguyen Van Huang, Luke Vít Ba Loan, Martin Tài Đức Thịnh, Matthew Alonso de Leziniana, Paul Lê Bảo Tịnh, Paul Lê-Văn-Lộc, Paul Nguyen Ngan, Paul Phạm Khắc Khoan, Peter Almato Ribeira, Peter Doan Cong Quy, Peter Francis Néron, Peter Khanh, Peter Lê Tuy, Peter Nguyen Ba Tuan, Peter Nguyen Van Luu, Peter Nguyen Van Ty, Peter Truong Van Thi, Philip Phan Van Minh, Thomas Đình Viet Dư, Thomas Khuong, Vincent Đô Yen, Vincent Lê Quang Liem, Vincent Nguyen The Diêm, priests; Andrew Nguyen Kim Thong Nam (Nam Thuong), Anthony Nguyen Hữu (Nam) Quỳnh, Dominic Bui Van Uy, Francis Xavier Cẩn, Francis Xavier Hà Trọng Mậu, John the Baptist Đình Van Thanh, Joseph Nguyen Đình Uyên, Joseph Nguyen Duy Khang, Joseph Nguyen Van Luu, Matthew Nguyen Van Phụng, Paul Nguyen Van My, Peter Doan Van Van, Peter Nguyen Khac Ty, Peter Nguyen Van Hieu, Peter Truong Van Dưỡng, Peter Vít Van Trệt, Thomas Toan, catechists; Agnes Lê Thị Thanh (De), Andrew Tuông, Andrew Trần Van Trang, Anthony Nguyen Dich, Augustine Nguyen Van Mai, Augustine Phan Viet Huy, Dominic Huyen, Dominic Mạo, Dominic Ngan, Dominic Nguyen, Dominic Nhi, Dominic Nicholas Đình Dât, Dominic Ninh, Dominic Phạm Trọng (An) Kham, Dominic Toài, Emmanuel Lê Van Phụng, Emmanuel Lê Van Phụng, Francis Đô Minh Chiêu, Francis Trần Van Trung, John the Baptist Côn, Joseph Hoang Luong Canh, Joseph Lê Dang Thi, Joseph Phạm Trọng (Cai) Ta, Joseph Tuan, Joseph Tuệ, Luke (Cai) Thín, Martin Thọ, Matthew Lê Van Gấm, Michael Hồ Đình Hy, Michael Nguyen Huy My, Nicholas Bui Viet Thê, Paul Hinh, Paul Tong Việt Bường, Peter Ba, Peter Bong, Peter Dung, Peter Thuan, Peter Vo Bang Khoa, Simon Phan Bae Hoa, Stephen Nguyen Van Vinh, Thomas Nguyen Van Đệ, Thomas Trần Van Thiện, Vincent Duong, Vincent Tuồng.

5. Whose names are: Paula of Saint Anastasia Isla Alonso, Antonia of Saint Timothy Gosens Saez de Ibarra, Daria of Saint Sophia Campillo Paniagua, Erun Đina of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Colino Vega, Consolata of the Most Blessed Sacrament Cuñado Gonzalez, Conception of Saint Ignatius Odriozola Zabalia, Feliciana of Our Lady of Mount Carmel de Uribe Orbe, Conception of Saint Magdalene Rodriguez Fernandez, Justa of Mary Immaculate Maiza Goicoechea, Clara of Our Lady of Hope Ezcurra Urrutia, and Candida of Our Lady of the Angels Cayuso Gonzalez.

6. Whose names are: Blessed Bartholomew Seki, Anthony Kimura, John Iwanaga, Alexius Nakamura, Leo Nakanishi, Michael Takeshita, Matthias Kozasa, Romanus Matsuoka Miota, Matthias Nakano Miota, John Motoyama.\

7. Whose names are: Blessed William (Vincent) Llop Gaya, Clement Diez Sahagun, Lazarus (John Mary) Mugica Goiburu, Martinian (Anthony) Melendez Sanchez, Peter Mary Alcalde Negredo, Julian Plazaola Artola, Hilary (Anthony) Delgado Vilchez, professed religious; Peter of Alcantara Bernalte Calzado, John Alcalde y Alcalde, Isidore Martinez Izquierdo, Angel Sastre Corporales, novices; Joseph Mora Velasco, priest and postulant; Joseph Ruiz Cuesta, postulant; Edward Baptist Jimenez.

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8. Whose names are: Blessed Didacus of Cadiz (James) Garcia Molina, Nicephorus Salvador del Rio, Romanus (Raphael) Touceda Fernandez, religious; Arthur Donoso Murillo, Jesus Gesta de Piquer, and Anthony Martinez Gil-Leonis, professed.

Omnes sancti Mártyres, oráte pro nobis. (“All ye Holy Martyrs, pray for us,” from the *Litaniae Sanctorum*, the Litany of the Saints)

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“Scio opera tua ... quia modicum habes virtutem, et servasti verbum Meum, nec non negasti Nomen Meum”
(Apocalypsis 3.8)

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Semen est sanguis Christianorum (The blood of Christians is the seed of the Church)

Tertullian, *Apologeticum*, 50

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December

December 1st



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This Day, the First Day of December

- 1. Commemoration of Saint Nahum, prophet**, who proclaimed God as the one who governs the course of times and judges the peoples in justice.
2. At Milan in Transpadane Italy, **Saint Castritian, bishop**.
3. At Poitiers in Aquitaine, **Saint Florentina, virgin**, who, when Saint Hilary the bishop had been exiled to Asia, was converted to the true God and followed him when he returned to his own people.
4. At Fréjus in Provence, **Saint Leontius, bishop**, who fostered the monastic way of life of Saint Honoratus on the island of Lérins, and to whom Saint John Cassian, his friend, dedicated the first ten of the *Conferences*.

5. At Le Mans in Neustria, **Saint Domnolus, bishop**, who, formerly abbot of the monastery of Saint Lawrence in Paris, was remarkable for the power of his miracles.
6. At Verdun in Austrasia, **Saint Agericus, bishop**, who built churches and baptisteries, and, when he had made his church a refuge for fugitives, suffered many things from King Theodoric.
7. At Noyon in Neustria, **Saint Eligius, bishop**, who, a goldsmith and counselor of King Dagobert, after having rebuilt many monasteries and constructed with notable skill and beauty monuments of the saints, was raised to the see of Noyon and Tournai, and with all zeal applied himself to apostolic work.
8. At Cotignola in Emilia, **blessed Anthony Bonfadini, priest** of the Order of Minors, who, preaching the word of God, traveled for a long time through many regions of Italy and the places of the Holy Land.
9. At Colchester in England, **blessed John Beche, priest** of the Order of Saint Benedict **and martyr**, who, abbot of the monastery of Saint John, under the pretext of the crime of treason — but in reality because of the fidelity he maintained toward the Roman Pontiff — was condemned to death under King Henry the Eighth and handed over to the punishment of the gallows.
10. Likewise at London in England, **the holy martyrs Edmund Campion, Ralph Sherwin, and Alexander Briant, priests** and distinguished for their talent and courage, under Queen Elizabeth the First. Saint Edmund, who had professed the Catholic faith as a young man, was admitted into the Society of Jesus at Rome and ordained priest at Prague; he returned to his country, where, both by word and by writing, he greatly strengthened the spirits of the faithful; for this reason, at Tyburn, after many tortures, he was put to death. Together with him suffered the

same torments Saints Ralph and Alexander, the latter of whom in prison merited to be enrolled in the Society of Jesus.

11. Likewise at York in England, **blessed Richard Langley, martyr**, who under the same queen Elizabeth was condemned to death for having received priests into his house, and was hanged.

12. In the place of execution of *Oświęcim*, or *Auschwitz*, near Kraków in Poland, **blessed Casimir Sykulski, priest and martyr**, who, for the faith steadfastly kept before the persecutors of the Church of God during the war, was killed by bullets.

13. In the city of *Dire Dawa* in Ethiopia, **blessed Liduina (Hélène Angela) Meneguzzi, virgin** of the Institute of Saint Francis de Sales, who, a true mirror of humility and Christian charity, made the mercy of God conspicuous among the poor, the sick, and captives.

14. In the place *Isiro* in the interior of the People's Republic of the Congo, **blessed Clementina Nengapeta Anuarite, virgin** of the Congregation of the Sisters of the Holy Family **and martyr**, who, during the persecution in the civil war, having been seized together with other religious, encouraged them to watch and pray, and, strongly resisting the lust of a military officer, was killed by him in fury for Christ her Spouse.

December 2nd

This Day, the Second Day of December

1. Commemoration of Saint Habakkuk, prophet, who, in the face of the iniquity and violence of men, proclaimed the judgment of the Lord, but also His mercy, saying: “But the just man shall live by his faith.”

2. At Rome, Saint Bibiana, martyr, in whose name Pope Saint Simplicius dedicated a basilica on the Esquiline.

3. Likewise at Rome, in the cemetery of Pontian on the Via Portuensis, Saint Pimen, priest and martyr.

4. At Aquileia in Venetia, Saint Chromatius, bishop, who, a true artisan of peace, when the fortifications of Italy had been destroyed by Alaric, procured remedies for the sorrows of the people, and, an exquisite expounder of the mysteries of the divine word, lifted minds to higher things.

5. On the island of Palmarola, the passing of Saint Silverius, pope and martyr, who, because he refused to reinstate Anthimus, the heretical bishop of Constantinople deposed by his predecessor Saint Agapitus, was, by order of the Empress Theodora, deprived of his see and driven into exile, where, worn out by many hardships, he died.

6. In the monastery of Groenendaal in the Brussels region of Brabant, blessed John Ruysbroeck, priest and canon regular, who taught admirable things concerning the various stages of the spiritual life.

7. At Murcia in Spain, blessed Mary Angela Astorch, abbess of the Order of Poor Clares, who, very humble and devoted to penances, gave comfort and counsel for the good of both nuns and seculars.

8. In the place of Łagiewniki in Poland, **blessed Raphael (Melchior) Chyliński, priest** of the Order of Conventual Friars Minor, who, during a time of pestilence in Kraków, visited the sick, that he might tenderly attend to them and provide for an honorable and Christian death.

9. At Stanislaviv in Ukraine, **blessed John Slezjuk, bishop and martyr**, to whom, under a God-hostile regime, for his clandestine ministry among the faithful of the Byzantine Rite, indefatigably carried out, and for his fearless steadfastness in Christ before persecutors, the Lord granted the eternal palm.

December 3rd

This Day, the Third Day of December

Memorial of **Saint Francis Xavier, priest** of the Society of Jesus, evangelizer of the Indies, who, born in Navarre, being one of the first companions of Saint Ignatius, moved by the ardor of spreading the Gospel, zealously proclaimed Christ to innumerable peoples in India, in the Moluccas and other islands, and then in Japan, converting many to the faith; and at length, in the island of Sancian in China, died, consumed by sickness and labors.

2. **Commemoration of Saint Zephaniah, prophet**, who, in the days of Josiah, king of Judah, foretold the ruin of the impious on the day of the Lord's wrath and strengthened the people of the poor and needy in the hope of salvation.

3. At Tangier in Mauretania, **Saint Cassian, martyr**.

4. At Winchester in England, **the deposition of Saint Birinus**, who, sent to southern Britain by Pope Honorius, was the first to hold the see of Dorchester and zealously made known the word of salvation to the people of the West Saxons who had not yet believed.
 5. At Chur of the Rhaetians among the Swiss, **Saint Lucius, hermit**.
 6. At London in England, **blessed Edward Coleman, martyr**, who, because of the Catholic faith he had embraced, was falsely accused of conspiracy against King Charles the Second and was hanged at Tyburn, and finally, while still alive, was torn apart with the sword.
 7. At Trent in Venetia, **blessed John Nepomucene de Tschiderer, bishop**, who with evangelical zeal of faith and gentleness administered that Church, and in a time of affliction gave to his flock a wondrous testimony of love.
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December 4th

This Day, the Fourth Day of December

Saint John of Damascus, priest and Doctor of the Church, celebrated for holiness and learning, who strove vigorously by word and writings against the Emperor Leo the Isaurian for the veneration of sacred images, and, having become a monk in the laura of Saint Sabbas near Jerusalem, composed sacred hymns and there came to rest. His body was laid to rest on this day.

2. Commemoration of Saint Barbara, who is said to have been a **virgin and martyr** at Nicomedia.

3. At Alexandria in Egypt, **Saint Heraclas, bishop**, who, a disciple, companion, and successor of Origen in the school, attained a most celebrated reputation and was elected to govern that see.

4. At Sebastopolis in Pontus, **Saint Meletius, bishop**, who, although already outstanding in the prerogative of learning, was far more illustrious for the virtue of his spirit and the sincerity of his life.

5. At Bologna in Emilia, **Saint Felix, bishop**, who had been a deacon of the Church of Milan under Saint Ambrose.

6. At Vienne in Gallia Lugdunensis, **Saint Aper, priest**, who, leaving his homeland, built himself a cell and led a solitary and penitential life.

7. In the district of Bourges in Aquitaine, **Saint Sigiramus**, monk, pilgrim, and **abbot** of Longoreto.

8. At Le Mans in Neustria, **Saint Adrehild**, or Adra, **abbess** of the monastery of Saint Mary.

9. In the monastery of Ellwangen in Bavaria, **Saint Sola, priest and hermit**.

10. At Polybotus in Phrygia, **Saint John**, surnamed Thaumaturgus [Wonderworker], **bishop**, who labored greatly for the veneration of sacred Images against the policy of the Emperor Leo the Armenian.

11. In the monastery of Siegburg in Rhenania in Germany, **Saint Anno**, **bishop** of Cologne, who, in the reign of Emperor Henry IV, a man of vigorous mind, was held in high honor both in the Church and in public affairs, and took care to have many churches and monasteries built to promote faith and piety.

12. At Salisbury in England, **Saint Osmund**, **bishop**, who, having come from Normandy to England with King William, was soon promoted to the episcopate, dedicated the cathedral church, and took care for the administration of the see and for divine worship.

13. At Parma in Emilia, **Saint Bernard**, **bishop**, who, as a monk, sought perfection of life, as a cardinal worked for the good of the Church, and finally as bishop always aimed at the salvation of souls.

14. At Siena in Etruria, **blessed Peter Pectinari**, **religious** of the Third Order of Saint Francis, remarkable for special charity toward the needy and the sick, and for humility and silence.

15. At Edo in Japan, **the blessed martyrs Francis Galvez**, **priest** of the Order of Friars Minor, **Jerome de Angelis**, **priest**, and **Simon Yempo**, **religious**, both of the Society of Jesus, who were consigned to the fire out of hatred for the faith.

16. At Cologne in Rhenania in Prussia, **blessed Adolph Kolping**, **priest**, who, ardently concerned for workers and social justice, founded an association of young workers and spread it in many places.

17. At Verona in Italy, **Saint John Calabria, priest**, who founded *the Congregation of the Poor Servants and Handmaids of Divine Providence*.

December 5th

This Day, the Fifth Day of December

1. At Theveste in Numidia, **the passion of Saint Crispina** of Thagora, a **matron**, who, in the time of Diocletian and Maximian, when she refused to sacrifice to idols, was beheaded by order of the proconsul Anolinus.

2. Near Jerusalem, **Saint Sabbas, abbot**, who, born in Cappadocia, reached the desert of Judea, where he established a new form of eremitical life in seven monasteries, called *lauras*, gathering hermits under one superior; in the great *laura*, afterward distinguished by his name, he spent many years, shining with the example of holiness and striving vigorously for the Chalcedonian faith.

3. In the monastery of Saint Peter of Aquara in Lucania, **Saint Lucidus, monk**.

4. At Braga in Lusitania, **the commemoration of Saint Gerald, bishop**, remarkable for restoring divine worship, repairing churches, and promoting ecclesiastical discipline, who died in a place called *Bornos* while carrying out pastoral visitations in a remote region.

5. At Mantua in Lombardy, **blessed Bartholomew Fanti, priest** of the Order of Carmelites, who by words and example stirred the hearts of the faithful to the holy love of God and to filial devotion toward Mary, the Mother of God.

6. At London in England, **Saint John Almond, priest and martyr**, who for more than ten years secretly cared for souls, until under King James the First. At Tyburn, he met the noose because of the priesthood, not ceasing from the very gibbet to distribute alms.

7. At Schwerin in the region of Mecklenburg in Germany, **the passing of blessed Nicholas Steno, bishop** of Titiopolis, who, born in Denmark, was one of the most famous investigators of the natural world of his time; but having professed the Catholic faith, desiring to serve God in the defense of truth, he was made a priest and then ordained a bishop, devoting all his care to the mission of northern Europe.

8. At Turin in Italy, **blessed Philip Rinaldi, priest** of the Salesian Society, who worked for the spreading of the faith into mission lands.

9. Near Munich in Bavaria in Germany, **blessed Narcissus Putz, priest and martyr**, who, when Poland was under foreign rule during wartime, was cast into the detention camp of Dachau because of his steadfastness in the faith, where, worn out by dreadful torments, he died.

December 6th

This Day, the Sixth Day of December

Saint Nicholas, bishop of Myra in Lycia, renowned for holiness and intercession before the throne of divine grace.

2. At Rome, **the commemoration of Saint Asella, virgin**, who, as Saint Jerome writes, prolonged her life in fasts and prayers even into old age.
3. In Africa, **the commemoration of holy martyrs**, who, in the time of the Vandal persecution under King Hunneric the Arian, were tortured with the most severe and innumerable punishments for the defense of the Catholic faith; from whose company **Dionysia and her son Majoricus** are praised, who, although still a youth and fearing the tortures, was strengthened by the gaze and words of his mother, and, having become braver than the rest in the tortures, yielded up his soul.
4. At Brescia in Lombardy, **Saint Obitius**, who, **a knight**, converted to God and given to penance, expended his goods for the public good.
5. At Granada in Spain, **blessed Peter Pascual, bishop** of Jaén, of the Order of Mercy, **martyr**, who, while visiting his flock to exhort the people in defense of the faith, was captured by the Moors and, held in chains, died.
6. In the city of Hải Dương in Tonkin, **Saint Joseph Nguyễn Duy Khang, martyr**, who, **a catechist and companion of Saint Jerome Hermosilla the bishop** in his journeys, was captured with him in the persecution of Emperor Tự Đức, flogged, held in prison, and finally beheaded.
7. In the village of *Picadero de Paterna* in the district of Valencia in Spain, **blessed Aloysia Maria Frias Canizares, virgin and martyr**, who, in a time of persecution against the faith, brought forth the eternal fruit of the contest of faith.

December 7th

This Day, the Seventh Day of December

Memorial of **Saint Ambrose, bishop of Milan and Doctor of the Church**, who fell asleep in the Lord on the day before the Nones of April, but is celebrated especially on this day, when, while still a catechumen and holding the office of prefect of the city, he accepted the governance of the illustrious see. A true shepherd and teacher of the faithful, he especially exercised charity toward all, vigorously defended the freedom of the Church and the doctrine of the true faith against the Arians, and by composing commentaries and hymns devoutly instructed the people in the faith.

2. At Spoleto in Umbria, **Saint Sabinus**, who is venerated as **bishop and martyr**.

3. In Syria, **Saint Athenodorus, martyr**, who, as it is said, under the Emperor Diocletian and the governor Eleusius, was tortured with fire and other punishments, and at last condemned to death by the sword; but when the executioner had fallen, and no one else dared to strike him with the sword, he, praying, fell asleep in the Lord.

4. At Teano in Campania, **Saint Urban, bishop**.

5. In Palestine, **Saint John the Silent, or Hesychast**, who, having resigned the bishopric of Colonia in Armenia, in the *laura* of Saint Sabbas, both in humble service to the brethren and in harsh solitude and silence, led a monastic life.

6. At Évry in the district of Meaux in France, **Saint Fare, abbess**, who, after having governed her monastery for many years, was finally gathered to the assembly of virgins following the Lamb of God.

7. In the region of Ontario in Canada, **the passion of Saint Charles Garnier, priest** of the Society of Jesus **and martyr**, who, while pouring the water of baptism upon catechumens, was grievously wounded by some pagans who broke in, and at last, struck by a blow of an axe, died. His memorial is celebrated on the nineteenth day of October with his other companions.

8. At Savona on the coast of Italy, **Saint Mary Joseph (Benedicta) Rossello, virgin**, who founded *the Institute of the Daughters of Our Lady of Mercy* and devoted herself with all zeal to the work of saving souls, trusting in God alone.

December 8th

This Day, the Eighth Day of December

Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the blessed Virgin Mary, who, truly full of grace and blessed among women, from the foreseen birth and saving death of the Son of God, in the very first instant of her conception, by a singular privilege of God, was preserved immune from all stain of original guilt, as, from an older doctrine indeed handed down, was solemnly defined by Pope Pius the Ninth on this very recurring day as a certain dogma.

2. At Alexandria in Egypt, **the commemoration of Saint Macarius, martyr**, who, in the time of the Emperor Decius, when he was urged by the judge with many words to deny Christ, but with greater constancy himself professed his faith, was ordered to be burned alive to the end.

3. At Rome in the cemetery of Callistus on the Appian Way, **the deposition of Saint Eutychian, pope.**
4. At Trier in Gallia Belgica, **Saint Eucharis**, who is held to have been the first **bishop** of this city.
5. The commemoration of **Saint Patapius, hermit**, who, originating from the Thebaid, lived at Constantinople near Blachernae, and was buried in an Egyptian monastery.
6. On Mount Vosges in Burgundy, **Saint Romaric, abbot**, who, a nobleman of King Theudebert, retired to the monastery of Luxeuil, and afterward founded on his own estate a monastery, over which he himself finally presided.
7. At Vaux-de-Cernay in the countryside of Paris, **Saint Theobald of Marly, abbot** of the Cistercian Order, who rendered the lowliest services to his brothers.
8. In the region of Ontario in Canada, **the passion of Saint Noël Chabanel, priest** of the Society of Jesus **and martyr**, who, having vowed to God that he would remain even to death in the mission dear to him among the Hurons, while making a journey in the forest with a certain apostate, was killed by him out of hatred for the faith. His memorial is celebrated on the nineteenth day of October with his companions.

9. At Lima in Peru, **blessed Narcisa of Jesus Martillo Moran, virgin**, who, bereft of her parents and lacking means of subsistence, after many hardships was received into a convent as a boarder, and gave herself to continual prayer and austere penance.

10. In the village of *Picadero de Paterna* in the district of Valencia in Spain, **blessed Joseph Mary Zabal Blasco, martyr**, who, **a father of a family**, in the persecution against the faith overcame the torments of his passion with fortitude in Christ.

11. In the concentration camp of Dachau near Munich in Bavaria in Germany, **blessed Aloysius Liguda, priest** of the Society of the Divine Word **and martyr**, who, when Poland had been invaded during the war, was murdered by the prison guards, having confessed Christ the Lord even to death.

December 9th

This Day, the Ninth Day of December

Saint **Juan Diego Cuauhtlatatzin**, who, of the stock of the native Indians, a man endowed with the purest faith, by his humility and fervor brought it about that, in honor of *the blessed Virgin Mary of Guadalupe*, a sanctuary was rebuilt on the hill of Tepeyac near Mexico City, where she appeared to him, and in the Lord he came to rest.

2. At Toledo in Spain, **Saint Leocadia, virgin and martyr**, remarkable for her confession of Christ.
3. At Pavia in Liguria, **Saint Syrus**, first **bishop** of the city.
4. At Nazianzus in Cappadocia, **Saint Gorgonia, matron**, who was the daughter of Saint Nonna and the sister of Saints Gregory the Theologian and Caesarius, whose virtues Gregory himself wrote down.
5. In the monastery of Genouillac near Périgueux in France, **Saint Cyprian, abbot**, renowned for his care of the sick.
6. On the River Main in Bavaria in Germany, **blessed Liberius Wagner, priest and martyr**, who, outstanding in charity, crowned his pastoral care both for Catholics and for dissenters with the shedding of his blood.
7. At Gray in Burgundy, to which he had retired in exile, **the passing of Saint Peter Fourier, priest**, who chose for himself and wonderfully cared for the very poor parish of Mattaincourt in Lorraine, renewed the Canons Regular of Our Savior, and *founded the Institute of the Canonesses Regular of Our Lady* for the free education of girls.
8. At Moricone in Sabina in Italy, **blessed Bernard Mary of Jesus (Caesar) Silvestrelli, priest** of the Congregation of the Passion, who, having been elected superior general, strove vigorously for its growth and spread.
9. In the town of *Llombay* in the district of Valencia in Spain, **blessed Joseph Ferrer Esteve, priest** of the Order of Clerics Regular of the Poor Schools **and martyr**, who was killed by bullets in hatred of the priesthood.

10. In the village of *Picadero de Paterna* likewise in the district of Valencia, **the blessed Richard de los Rios Fabregat, Julian Rodriguez Sanchez, and Joseph Gimenez Lopez, priests of the Salesian Society and martyrs**, who, during a persecution against the faith, achieved a noble contest for Christ.

December 10th

This Day, the Tenth Day of December

- 1.** At Mérida in Lusitania, **Saint Eulalia, virgin and martyr**, who, as it is said, in youthful age did not hesitate to offer her life for the confession of Christ.
- 2.** At Rome in the cemetery of Thraso on the Via Salaria Nova, **Saint Maurus, martyr**, whom Pope Saint Damasus celebrates as an innocent boy not driven from the faith by any torture.
- 3.** At Ancyra in Galatia, **Saint Gemellus, martyr**.
- 4.** At Rome near Saint Peter's, **Saint Gregory the Third, pope**, who took care to have the Gospel preached to the Germans and adorned the churches of the City with sacred Images against the iconoclasts.
- 5.** In the monastery of Saint Nicholas of Viotorito in Calabria, **Saint Luke, bishop** of Isola, who labored tirelessly for the good of the poor and the formation of monks.

6. At London in England, **the holy martyrs Edmund Gennings, priest, and Swithun Wells**, who, in the persecution under Queen Elizabeth the First, were condemned to death, the former because he was a priest, the latter because he had received him into his house; they were hanged before the door of the dwelling and were put to death after being subjected to tortures.

7. Likewise at London, **the holy Polydore Plasden and Eustace White, priests, and the blessed Brian Lacy, John Mason, and Sidney Hodgson, martyrs**, who in the same year suffered the same punishments at Tyburn, some because they had come to England as priests, others because they had given them assistance.

8. In the same place, at Tyburn, nineteen years later, **Saint John Roberts**, of the Order of Saint Benedict, **and blessed Thomas Somers, priests and martyrs**, who, under King James the First, condemned on account of the priesthood, and having embraced sixteen thieves [who were to die with them], were hanged on the same gallows.

9. In the village of *Valles* in the district of Valencia in Spain, **blessed Gonsalvo Viñes Masip, priest and martyr**, who, in a time of persecution, achieved a noble contest for Christ.

10. In the village of *Picadero de Paterna* in the same district of Spain, **the blessed martyrs Anthony Martín Hernández, priest, and Augustine Garcia Calvo, religious**, of the Salesian Society, who in the same period, on account of the faith of Christ, received the stole of glory.

December 11th

This Day, the Eleventh Day of December

Saint **Damasus the First, pope**, who, in his difficult times, convened several synods against schisms and various heresies to defend the Nicene faith, took care that the sacred books be rendered into Latin by Saint Jerome, and devoutly uncovered the tombs of the martyrs and adorned them with verses.

2. In the district of Amiens in Gallia Belgica, the holy martyrs Victorinus and Fuscian.

3. At Piacenza in Emilia, **Saint Sabinus, bishop**, who called the crowds to the faith of Christ, established sanctuaries for virgins, and steadfastly defended the Nicene truth.

4. At Constantinople, **Saint Daniel**, surnamed the **Stylite, priest**, who, after a life spent in the monastery and many labors endured, following the manner and example of Saint Simeon, was raised onto a column and stood there, broken by no force of cold or heat or winds, for thirty-three years and three months until his death.

5. In the monastery of Himmerod near Trier in Germany, **blessed David, monk**, whom, though weak in body, Saint Bernard received at Clairvaux and afterward sent with brethren into Germany to found a new monastery, where he devoted himself day and night to prayer and good works.

6. At Siena in Etruria, **blessed Francis Lippi, hermit** of the Order of Carmelites, renowned for the outstanding austerity of his life.

7. In the district of Camerino in the Piceno of Italy, **blessed Hugolin Magalotti, hermit**, of the Third Order of Saint Francis.
8. At Tiferno Metaurense, also in the Piceno, **blessed Jerome, priest** of the Order of the Servants of Mary, who in solitude and silence attained the knowledge of the saints.
9. At Nagasaki in Japan, **the blessed martyrs Martin Lumbreras Peralta and Melchior Sánchez Pérez, priests** of the Order of Saint Augustine, who, scarcely having entered this city, were apprehended and thrown into a dark cell, and finally consigned to the fire.
10. At London in England, **blessed Arthur Bell, priest** of the Order of Friars Minor **and martyr**, who under King Charles the First was condemned to death solely for the priesthood and endured the gallows at Tyburn.
11. At the place called *El Saler* near Valencia in Spain, **blessed Mary of the Column Villalonga Villalba, virgin and martyr**, who, while a religious persecution raged, in her martyrdom followed the footsteps of Christ.
12. In the town of La Aldehuela in the region of Madrid, also in Spain, **Saint Maravillas of Jesus Pidal y Chico de Guzmán, virgin** of the Order of Discalced Carmelites, who founded many monasteries in Spain and in India, uniting the contemplative life with active charity.
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This Day, the Twelvth Day of December

Blessed Mary the Virgin of Guadalupe in Mexico, whose motherly help a great people humbly implore on the hill of Tepeyac near Mexico City, where she appeared, and whom they confidently salute as a star in the evangelizing of families of the peoples, of the natives, and of the poor, and as their protector.

Commemoration of the holy Alexandrian martyrs Epimachus and Alexander, who, under the emperor Decius, after long imprisonment and various tortures, were at last consumed by fire for the faith of Christ. **With them suffered the holy virgins Ammonarion, Mercuria, Dionysia, and another**, who, when the judge was ashamed to be overcome by women and hesitated, lest, by tortures inflicted upon them without hearing them, their constancy also be conquered, were immediately ordered to be beheaded.

3. On the island of Cyprus, **Saint Spyridon, bishop**, a true shepherd of the sheep, whose wondrous deeds were celebrated by the voice of all.

4. At Clonard in Ireland, **Saint Finnian, abbot**, who, founder of many monasteries, was father and teacher of a great throng of monks.

5. At Quimper in Brittany, **Saint Corentin**, who is venerated as the first **bishop** of this city.

6. At Dorat in the district of Limoges in Aquitaine, **Saint Israel, priest and canon regular**, who was of great assistance to the bishop in the preaching of the word of God.

7. At Neumünster in Holstein, Germany, **the natal day of Saint Vicelin, bishop** of Oldenburg, who devoted himself greatly to evangelizing the Slavs.
8. At the town of San Gimignano in Etruria, **blessed Bartolo Buonpedoni, priest**, who, at the age of sixty, stricken with leprosy, laid down the care of his parish and, taking the habit of the Third Order of Saint Francis, enclosed himself in a hospice and patiently attended to all.
9. In the district of Bastia near Assisi in Umbria, **blessed Conrad of Offida, priest** of the Order of Friars Minor, who greatly loved and sought humility and the original poverty of the Order.
10. At Naples in Campania, commemoration of **blessed James Capocci, bishop**, who, from being a hermit of Saint Augustine, was entrusted with the governance of the Church of Benevento, and later of Naples, which he adorned with wisdom, doctrine, and prudence.
11. At Hue in Annam (Vietnam), **Saint Simon Phan Đắc Hóa, martyr**, who, a **physician and father of a family**, outstanding in charity toward the poor, was arrested under the emperor Minh Mạng because he had received missionaries into his home, and after imprisonment and scourging fulfilled his martyrdom by beheading.
12. Near Kraków in Poland, **blessed Pius Bartosik, priest** of the Order of Conventual Friars Minor **and martyr**, who, when Poland was subjected to an alien government hostile to God, was broken by tortures in the extermination camp of *Oświęcim* [Auschwitz] and fulfilled his martyrdom for Christ.

December 13th

This Day, the Thirteenth Day of December

Memorial of **Saint Lucy, virgin and martyr**, who kept a burning lamp in readiness to meet the Bridegroom while she lived, and at Syracuse in Sicily, being brought to death for Christ, merited to enter with Him to the wedding feast and to possess the unfailing light.

2. At Portus Romanus, **Saint Ariston, martyr**.
3. On the Sulcis Peninsula of Sardinia, **Saint Antiochus, martyr**.
4. In Armenia, **the holy martyrs Eustratius, Auxentius, Eugene, Mardarius, and Orestes**.
5. In northern Neustria, **Saint Judoc, priest and hermit**, who, the son of Juthael, king of Armorica, and brother of Saint Judicael, left his homeland and withdrew to a hermit's life so that he would not be compelled to succeed his father.
6. At Cambrai in Austrasia, **Saint Aubert, bishop**.
7. In the district of Strasbourg in Burgundy, **Saint Odile, virgin** and first **abbess** of the monastery of Hohenbourg, founded by her father, Duke Adalric.

8. At Naples in Campania, **blessed John (Francis) Marinoni, priest** of the Order of Clerics Regular, commonly called Theatines, who, together with Saint Cajetan, devoted himself to the reform of the clergy and the salvation of souls, and favored the Monti di Pietà for the relief of the poor.

9. In the monastery of the Visitation at Moulins in France, **the birthday of Saint Jane Frances Frémiot de Chantal**, whose memorial is kept on the twelfth day of August.

10. At Fermo in the Piceno of Italy, **blessed Anthony Grassi, priest** of the Congregation of the Oratory, a man humble and peaceable, who by his example greatly stirred his brethren to observe the rule.

11. In the district of *Tjyen-Tiyou* in Korea, **the holy martyrs Peter Cho Hwa-so, a father of a family, and five companions,**² who, when tempted by the mandarin with promises or tortures to abandon the Christian religion, persevered until beheaded.

December 14th

This Day, the Fourteenth Day of December

Memorial of **Saint John of the Cross, priest of the Order of Carmelites and Doctor of the Church**, who, at the urging of Saint Teresa of Jesus, was the first among the brethren of the Order to undertake the reform, which he sustained with countless labors and works as well as with severe trials, and, as his writings bear witness,

seeking a life hidden in Christ and consumed with the flame of the love of God, he ascended by the dark night to the mountain of God; at Úbeda in Andalusia, in the region of Spain, he finally rested in the Lord.

2. At Alexandria in Egypt, the commemoration of the holy martyrs Heron, Ater, and Isidore, with Dioscorus, a boy twelve years of age; the judge, in the persecution of Decius, when he saw the first three, torn with various tortures yet armed with the same constancy of faith, ordered them to be consigned to the fire; but holy Dioscorus, after being scourged in many ways, he ordered to be dismissed.

3. At Apollonia in Bithynia, the holy martyrs Thyrsus, Leucius, Callinicus, and companions, who are said to have suffered in the time of the emperor Decius.

4. At Antioch in Syria, Saint Drosida, martyr, whom Saint John Chrysostom affirms to have been burned to death.

5. At Ascalon in Palestine, the holy martyrs Ares, Promus, and Elias, who, when they wished to go from Egypt into Cilicia to visit and assist the confessors of Christ in the persecution of the emperor Maximinus, were apprehended at Caesarea, cruelly deprived of their eyes and feet, and brought to Ascalon, where, by the order of Firmilian the governor, Ares completed his martyrdom by fire, and the others by beheading.

6. At Pavia in Liguria, Saint Pompeius, bishop, who, succeeding Saint Syrus, after a few but peaceful years, departed to the Lord.

7. At Reims in Gallia Belgica, the passion of Saint Nicasius, bishop, who before the doors of the basilica which he himself had founded was slain by the invading

pagans, **together with his sister Eutropia, a virgin consecrated to Christ, the deacon Florentius, and Jucundus.**

8. At Naples in Campania, **Saint Agnellus, abbot** of the monastery of Saint Gaudiosus.

9. At Poitiers in Aquitaine, **Saint Venantius Fortunatus, bishop**, who composed the deeds of many saints and celebrated the Holy Cross with polished hymns.

10. At Thérrouanne in northern France, **Saint Folquin, bishop.**

11. At Orvieto in Tuscany, **blessed Bonaventure of Pistoia, priest** of the Order of the Servants of Mary, who, moved by the preaching of Saint Philip Benizi, assisted him in bringing peace among factions in the cities of Italy.

12. At the place Klifane in the territory of Lebanon, **Saint Nimatullah al-Hardini (Joseph Kassab), priest** of the Lebanese Maronite Order, who applied himself to the teaching of theology, to the education of the young, and to pastoral work, excelling in the spirit of prayer and penance.

13. At Aachen in Germany, **blessed Frances Schervier, virgin**, who. for some time in the city, was zealous toward the poor, the sick, and the afflicted, and, serving the needs of the poor, founded *the Congregation of the Poor Sisters of Saint Francis*.

14. At Barcelona in Spain, **blessed Protase (Anthony) Cubells Minguell, religious** of the Order of Saint John of God **and martyr**, who, when persecution raged against the Church, was killed in hatred of the faith.

December 15th

This Day, the Fifteenth Day of December

1. **Commemoration of Saint Valerian, bishop** of Abensa in Africa, who, being more than eighty years old, in the Vandal persecution was required by Genseric, the Arian king, to hand over the vessels of the Church; when he steadfastly refused to do this, he was ordered to be driven out alone beyond the city. And when it was further commanded that no one should allow him to live either in his house or on his land, he lay for a very long time in the public road under the open sky, and thus, a confessor of the orthodox truth, completed the course of a blessed life.
2. In the territory of Orléans in Gallia Lugdunensis, **Saint Maximin, priest**, who is considered the first **abbot** of Micy.
3. In the monastery of Cava in Campania, **blessed Marino, abbot**, remarkable for his fidelity toward the Roman Pontiff.
4. At Genoa in Liguria, **blessed Mary Victoria Fornari**, who, having become a widow, founded *the Order of the Annunciation*.
5. In the same place, **Saint Virginia Centurione Bracelli, widow**, who, devoting herself to the service of the Lord, aided the poor in many ways, helped rural churches, and established and directed *the Auxiliary Ladies of Mercy*.

6. At Brescia in Lombardy, **Saint Mary Crucified of Rosa, virgin**, who for the salvation of the soul and body of her neighbor spent her wealth and herself, and founded *the Institute of the Handmaids of Charity*.

7. At Verona in Venetia, **blessed Charles Steeb, priest**, who, born at Tübingen, professed the Catholic faith at Verona, was raised to the priesthood, and founded *the Institute of the Sisters of Mercy* for the care of the afflicted, the needy, and the sick.

December 16th

This Day, the Sixteenth Day of December

1. **Commemoration of Saint Haggai, prophet**, who, in the time of Zerubbabel, leader of Judah, admonished the people that the house of the Lord should be rebuilt, into which was to come the treasure of all nations.

2. **Commemoration of many holy virgins**, who, in Africa during the Vandal persecution under Hunneric the Arian king, endured the weight and heat of burning plates of metal, and happily completed the struggle of martyrdom.

3. In Ireland, **Saint Bean, hermit**.

4. At Cysoing in Artois, a province of Gaul, **Saint Eberhard**, who, Count of Friuli, founded there a monastery of Canons Regular, in which, some years after his death, he was piously buried.

5. At Vienne in Burgundy, **Saint Ado, bishop**, who, chosen as bishop from the monastic life, by composing a Martyrology greatly fostered the memory of the Saints.
6. At Seltz near Strasbourg in Lorraine, Germany, **Saint Adelaide**, who, as **empress**, possessed toward her household a dignified graciousness, a most upright dignity toward strangers, tireless in charity toward the poor, and of overflowing generosity in honoring the churches of God.
7. In Lucania, **Saint Macarius of Collesano, monk**, who, outstanding for humility and abstinence, wisely governed various monasteries of Mount Mercury and Latinianus.
8. At Genoa in Liguria, **commemoration of blessed Sebastian (Salvatico) de Madiis, priest** of the Order of Preachers, who preached the Gospel to the people of the region and advised on regular discipline in the convents.
9. At Turin in the Piedmont, **blessed Mary of the Angels (Marianna) Fontanella, virgin** of the Order of Carmelites, who was renowned for voluntary penances and the virtue of obedience.
10. At Riva presso Chieri in Italy, blessed Clement Marchisio, priest, who, pastor of this place, founded *the Institute of the Daughters of Saint Joseph*.
11. In the city of *Nowe Miasto* in Poland, **blessed Honorat of Biala Podlaska (Florentius) Kozminski, priest** of the Order of Friars Minor Capuchin, who devoted outstanding labor to ministering to penitents, to the preaching of the word of God, and to lifting the spirits of prisoners in jail.

12. Near the city of *Mukdahan* in Thailand, **blessed Philip Siphong Onphitak, martyr**, who, a **father of a family**, after the priest of the village of Song-Khon was driven out, was chosen leader of the Christian community and, when persecution began against Christians, was taken to the bank of the *Tum Nok* stream and killed by bullets.

December 17th

This Day, the Seventeenth Day of December

- 1.** At Jerusalem, **Saint Modestus, bishop**, who, after the Holy City had been taken and laid waste by the Persians, restored the monasteries and filled them with monks, and with great labor repaired the sanctuaries destroyed by fire.
- 2.** At Eleutheropolis in Palestine, **the passion of fifty holy soldiers**, who, in the time of the emperor Heraclius, were slain for the faith of Christ by the Saracens besieging Gaza.
- 3.** In Brittany, **Saint Judicael**, who greatly promoted peace between the Bretons and the Franks, and, having laid down the office of king, is said to have spent his life in the monastery of Saint Méen.
- 4.** At Andenne in Brabant, **Saint Begga, widow**, who, after the murder of her husband, founded the monastery of the Blessed Virgin Mary, under the Rules of Saints Columban and Benedict.

5. In the monastery of Fulda in Austrasia, **Saint Sturm, abbot**, who, a disciple of Saint Boniface, evangelized Saxony and, at the command of his master, took care to have this celebrated monastery rebuilt, and was its first abbot.
6. On Mount Mercury in Lucania, **Saint Christopher of Collesano, monk**, who, together with his whole family, devoted himself earnestly to spreading the monastic life.
7. Near Brussels in Brabant of Lorraine, **Saint Vivina**, first **abbess** of the monastery of the Blessed Virgin Mary of Bigards.
8. At Rome on the Caelian Hill, **Saint John of Matha, priest**, who, a Frenchman by birth, founded *the Order of the Most Holy Trinity for the Ransom of Captives*.
9. At Barcelona in Spain, **Saint Joseph Manyanet y Vives, priest**, who, in order that all families might be made perfect after the example of that holy family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph of Nazareth, founded *the Congregations of the Sons and of the Daughters of the Holy Family*.
10. In the village of Don Benito near Badajoz in Spain, **blessed Matilda of the Sacred Heart Téllez Robles, virgin**, who, seeing in her neighbor the image of Christ Himself, gave herself with kindness and diligence, especially to the material and spiritual help of the poor, and founded *the Congregation of the Daughters of Mary, Mother of the Church*.
11. At Rome, at Saint Sabina on the Aventine, **blessed Hyacinth (Henry) Cormier, priest**, who, as Master General, prudently governed the Order of Preachers, greatly fostering theological and spiritual studies.

December 18th

This Day, the Eighteenth Day of December

1. Commemoration of Saint Malachi, prophet, who, after the return from the Babylonian exile, announced the great day of the Lord and His coming into the temple, and foretold that a pure offering would always and everywhere be made to His name.

2. In Africa, commemoration of the holy martyrs Namphamon, Miggin, Sanam, and Lucita, who, as attested by Maximus of Madaura, a pagan, in a letter written to Saint Augustine, were held in great veneration by the Christian people.

3. At Tours in Gallia Lugdunensis, Saint Gatian, the first **bishop**, who is said to have been sent to that city from the city of Rome, and was buried in the cemetery of the Christians in that same town.

4. At Killaloe in Ireland, Saint Flannan, bishop.

5. In the monastery of Heidenheim in Bavaria, Saint Winebald, abbot, who, English by birth, followed Saint Boniface with his brother Saint Willibald, and helped in evangelizing the peoples of Germany.

6. On the hill of Gò-Voi in Tonkin [Vietnam], the holy martyrs Paul Nguyễn Văn Mỹ, Peter Trương Văn Dương, and Peter Vũ Văn Truật, catechists, who, steadfast in the faith under the emperor Minh Mạng, were strangled.

7. At Borgaro near Turin in Italy, **blessed Nemesia (Giulia) Valle, virgin** of the Institute of the Sisters of Charity, who, outstanding in the education of the young and in guiding them in the love of the Gospel, ran continually in the way of the Lord's commandments through love of her neighbor.

December 19th

This Day, the Nineteenth Day of December

1. At Rome, in the cemetery of Pontian on the Via Portuensis, **the deposition of Saint Anastasius the First, pope**, a man of richest poverty and apostolic solicitude, who firmly opposed heretical doctrines.
2. At Auxerre in Gallia Lugdunensis, **Saint Gregory, bishop**.
3. At the Charterhouse of Casotto in the Piedmont, **blessed William of Fenolis, religious**, who had previously led the eremitical life.
4. At Avignon in Provence of Gaul, **blessed Urban the Fifth, pope**, who, raised from being a monk to the chair of Peter, immediately turned his mind especially to bringing the Apostolic See back to the City and to restoring the unity of the Church.
5. At the place of Bac-Ninh in Tonkin, **the holy martyrs Francis Xavier Hà Trọng Mậu and Dominic Bùi Văn Úy, catechists; Thomas Nguyễn Văn Đệ, tailor; and Augustine Nguyễn Văn Mới and Stephen Nguyễn Văn Vinh,**

farmers, of whom one was a neophyte and the other still a catechumen; all of whom, refusing to trample upon the cross, suffered prison and tortures, and at last, by order of the emperor Minh Mạng, were strangled.

6. In the town of Slonim in Poland, blessed Mary Eve of Providence Noiszewska and blessed Mary Martha of Jesus Wolowska, virgins of the Congregation of the Sisters of the Immaculate Conception and martyrs, who, during the wartime occupation of Poland, were killed by bullets for keeping the faith.

December 20th

This Day, the Twentieth Day of December

1. At Rome, near the cemetery of Callistus on the Via Appia, the deposition of Saint Zephyrinus, pope, who governed the Roman Church for eighteen years and entrusted to Saint Callistus, his deacon, the task of establishing the cemetery of the Roman Church on the Via Appia.

2. Likewise at Rome, on the Via Salaria Vetus, in the cemetery ad Septem Palumbas, Saint Liberalis, martyr, who is said once to have held the office of consul in the world.

3. At Antioch in Syria, Saint Philogonius, bishop, who, by the will of God, was called from being a lawyer to govern this Church, and together with Saint Alexander the bishop and their companions, was the first to enter into combat for the Catholic faith against Arius; distinguished in merits, he rested in the Lord, and Saint John Chrysostom celebrated him with splendid praise.

4. In the Jura mountains of Switzerland, by the river Doubs, **Saint Ursicinus**, who, a disciple of Saint Columban, first lived the eremitical life in solitude, and, once discovered, inspired many to that same manner of life.
 5. In the monastery of Exilensis in the region of Castile in Spain, **Saint Dominic, abbot**, who, formerly a hermit, restored this monastery when it was almost ruined, renewed its discipline, and exalted the divine praise day and night.
 6. At Torre del Greco near Naples in Campania, **blessed Vincent Romano, priest**, who, as pastor, devoted his whole heart to the education of boys and to caring for the needs of workers and fishermen.
 7. In the Sachsenhausen concentration camp in Germany, **blessed Michael Piaszczynski, priest and martyr**, who, Polish by birth, imprisoned in foreign captivity for the faith, passed to heavenly glory through torture.
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December 21st

This Day, the Twenty-first Day of December

1. **Saint Peter Canisius**, priest of the Society of Jesus **and Doctor of the Church**, who, sent into Germany, labored vigorously for many years by preaching and writing to defend and strengthen the Catholic faith, among which works his book entitled “Catechism” stands out; at Freiburg in Switzerland, he at last rested from his labors.

2. Commemoration of Saint Micah, prophet, who in the days of Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah, kings of Judah, by his preaching defended the oppressed, condemned idols and wickedness, and announced to the chosen people—come forth from the days of eternity—that a leader would be born in Bethlehem of Judah who would shepherd Israel in the strength of the Lord.

3. In Lycia, **Saint Themistocles, martyr**, who, in the time of the emperor Decius, is said to have offered himself in place of Saint Dioscorus, who was sought to be killed, and, having been tortured on the rack, scourged, and beaten with clubs, gained the crown of martyrdom.

4. At Monte Cerignone in Flaminia, **blessed Dominic Spadafora, priest** of the Order of Preachers, who labored diligently in the ministry of preaching.

5. At Hanoi in Tonkin [Vietnam], **the passion of Saints Andrew Dũng-Lac and Peter Trũng Van Thi, priests and martyrs**, who, when they refused the order to trample upon the cross, completed the struggle by beheading. Their memorial is celebrated on the twenty-fourth day of November.

6. At Koblenz in the Rhineland of Germany, **blessed Peter Friedhofen, religious**, who, having first worked as a chimney sweep, later founded *the Congregation of the Brothers of Mercy of Mary Help of Christians*, for which, with a calm and peaceful spirit, he endured many insults and trials.

December 22nd

This Day, the Twenty-second Day of December

1. **Commemoration of the holy martyrs Chaeremon, bishop of Nilopolis, and many others in Egypt**, of whom some, when the persecution of the emperor Decius was raging, were scattered in flight and, wandering in the deserts, were killed by wild beasts; others, consumed by hunger, cold, and sickness; others, finally, were slain by barbarians and robbers — so that all, by a different manner of death, were crowned with the same glory of martyrdom.
2. Likewise, commemoration of **Saint Ischyrión, martyr** in Egypt, who, at the same time, when he had scorned to sacrifice despite insults and injuries, was run through the middle of his body with a sharp stake and put to death.
3. At Rome, on the Via Labicana, in the cemetery ad Duas Lauros, **the holy thirty martyrs**, all of whom were crowned on one day.
4. In the region of Raithu in Egypt, **the holy forty-three monks**, who for the Christian religion were killed by the Blemmyes.
5. At Utrecht in Gelderland of Lorraine, **Saint Hunger, bishop**.
6. At London in England, **blessed Thomas Holland, priest** of the Society of Jesus **and martyr**, who, carrying out the ministry in secret, under King Charles the First was condemned to death and, strangled by the noose, gave up his spirit.
7. At Chicago in Illinois of the United States of North America, **Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini, virgin**, who founded *the Institute of the Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus* and, with outstanding charity, devoted every labor to the care of migrants.

December 23rd

This Day, the Twenty-third Day of December

Saint John of Kęty, priest, who, having been ordained, fulfilled the office of teaching for many years in the Academy of Kraków, and then undertook the pastoral care of the parish of Olkusz.

There, uniting right faith with virtues, he became an example of piety and charity toward his neighbor for his fellow workers and disciples, and on the day after this, at Kraków in Poland, he departed to the joys of heaven.

2. At Gortyna on the island of Crete, **the ten holy martyrs Theodulus, Saturninus, Euporus, Gelasius, Eunician, Zoticus, Pontius, Agathopus, Basilides, and Evaristus**, who, in the persecution of the emperor Decius, when ordered to sacrifice at the dedication of the temple of Fortune, publicly resisted, suffered torments, and were beheaded.

3. At Rome, **commemoration of Saint Servulus**, who, from early age lying paralyzed in a portico near the church of Saint Clement, as Saint Gregory the Great writes, strove always to give thanks to God in his suffering, and whatever he collected from alms he distributed to the poor.

4. At Chartres in Gaul, **Saint Ivo, bishop**, who restored the order of canons and accomplished and wrote much for the concord of priesthood and empire and for the welfare of the Church.

5. At Brixen in the territory of Trent, **blessed Hartmann, bishop**, who, formerly a canon regular, prudently, and faithfully governed that Church.

6. In Iceland, **Saint Thorlac, bishop** of Skálholt, who devoted himself to reforming the morals of clergy and people.

7. At Canterbury in England, **commemoration of Saint John Stone, priest** of the Order of the Hermits of Saint Augustine **and martyr**, who, a vigorous champion of the Catholic faith, under King Henry the Eighth, completed his martyrdom on the gallows.

8. At Valencia in Spain, **blessed Nicholas, surnamed the Factor, priest** of the Order of Friars Minor, who, inflamed with the most ardent charity of God, was rapt in ecstasies.

9. At Montreal in Canada, **Saint Marie-Marguerite d'Youville, religious**, who, having become a widow and mother of a family, piously raised two sons to the priesthood and devoted all her strength to caring for the sick, the elderly, and the afflicted of every kind, for whom she founded *the Congregation of the Sisters of Charity*.

10. At São Paulo in Brazil, **blessed Anthony of Saint Anne Galvão de França, priest** of the Order of Friars Minor, who devoted himself fruitfully to preaching and the ministry of penance, and founded *the Recolhimento de Luz* ("Retreat of Light"), where he guided the community of Sisters with the highest spiritual moderation.

11. In the district of Tjyen-Tiyon in Korea, **Saint Joseph Cho Yun-ho, martyr**, who, a young man following in the footsteps of Saint Peter Cho Hwa-so, his father, was killed by blows for the name of Christian.

12. In the district of Valencia in Spain, **blessed Paul Meléndez Gonzalo, martyr**, who, a **father of a family**, while persecution raged against the faith, cleaving to the footsteps of Christ, through His grace came to the eternal kingdom.

December 24th

This Day, the Twenty-fourth Day of December

1. Commemoration of all the holy ancestors of Jesus Christ, the son of David, the son of Abraham, the son of Adam — that is, the fathers who were pleasing to God and were found just, and who died according to faith, having received no promises but seeing them from afar and greeting them — from whom Christ was born according to the flesh, who is over all things, God, blessed forever.

2. At Bordeaux in Aquitaine, **Saint Delphinus, bishop**, who was closely united in friendship with Saint Paulinus of Nola and gave vigorous effort to warding off the errors of Priscillian.

3. At Rome, **commemoration of Saint Tarsilla, virgin**, whose continual prayer, seriousness of life, and singular abstinence her nephew, Saint Gregory the Great, praises.

4. At Trier in Austrasia, **Saint Irmina, abbess** of the monastery of Oeren, who, a matron consecrated to God, gave to Saint Willibrord the small monastery she had founded in her estate at Echternach and enriched it from her own goods.

5. At Kraków in Poland, **the birthday of Saint John of Kęty**, whose memorial is kept on the day before this.
 6. At Bologna in Emilia, **blessed Bartholomew Mary Dal Monte, priest**, who in many regions of Italy preached the word of God to the Christian people and clergy, and founded *the Pious Work of Missions* for the same purpose.
 7. At Comonte near Bergamo in Lombardy, Saint Paola Elisabetta (Costanza) Cerioli, who, all her children having died prematurely, was left a widow and devoted her wealth and strength to instructing country boys and orphans without hope for the future; and, founding the Institute of Sisters and the Congregation of Fathers and Brothers of the Holy Family, she attained in the Lord the joys of motherhood.
 8. At Annaya in Lebanon, the birthday of Saint Sharbel (Joseph) Makhlouf, whose memorial is celebrated on the twenty-fourth day of July.
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December 25th

This Day, the Twenty-fifth Day of December

After countless ages from the creation of the world, when in the beginning God created heaven and earth and formed man in His own image; and also after many ages, since the Most High set the bow in the clouds after the flood, as a sign of covenant and peace; from the migration of Abraham, our father in faith, from Ur of the Chaldeans, in the twenty-first century; from the going forth of the people

of Israel out of Egypt, under the leadership of Moses, in the thirteenth century; from the anointing of David as king, about the thousandth year; in the sixty-fifth week, according to the prophecy of Daniel; in the one hundred ninety-fourth Olympiad; from the founding of the City, in the seven hundred fifty-second year; in the forty-second year of the reign of Caesar Octavian Augustus; the whole world being composed in peace, Jesus Christ, eternal God and the Son of the eternal Father, wishing to consecrate the world by His most merciful coming, conceived of the Holy Spirit, and nine months having passed after His conception, is born in Bethlehem of Judah from the Virgin Mary, having become man: **the Nativity of our Lord Jesus Christ according to the flesh.**

2. At Rome, **the commemoration of Saint Anastasia, martyr** at Sirmium in Pannonia.

3. Likewise at Rome, in the cemetery of Apronianus on the Via Latina, **Saint Eugenia, martyr.**

3. Likewise at Rome on the Via Latina, **the holy martyrs Jovinus and Basileus.**

5. In the monastery of Cluny in Burgundy, in Gaul, **blessed Peter the Venerable, abbot**, who ruled the monastic Order by the precepts of its former observance and composed many treatises.

6. At Sanseverino in Picenum of Italy, **blessed Bentivoglio de' Bonis, priest** of the Order of Minims, an outstanding preacher.

7. In the city of Unzen in Japan, **blessed Michael Nakashima, religious** of the Society of Jesus **and martyr**, who, being a **catechist**, for the sake of the faith of Christ, was plunged into boiling water and attained the crown of martyrdom.

8. At Rome, **blessed Mary of the Apostles (Mary Teresa) von Wüllenweber, virgin**, German by nationality, who, enkindled with missionary ardor, founded at Tivoli in Latium *the Institute of the Sisters of the Divine Savior*.

9. At Kraków in Poland, **Saint Albert (Adam) Chmielowski, religious**, who, renowned for his art as a painter, devoted himself to the poor, striving to be good to them in all things, and founded *the Congregations of Brothers and Sisters of the Third Order of Saint Francis* serving the poor.

December 26th

This Day, the Twenty-sixth Day of December

Feast of **Saint Stephen, the Protomartyr**, a man full of faith and the Holy Spirit, who, first of the seven deacons whom the Apostles chose as helpers in the ministry, also first of the disciples of the Lord shed his blood at Jerusalem, bearing witness on behalf of Jesus Christ, whom he affirmed he saw standing in glory at the right hand of the Father, and he was overwhelmed with stones, praying for his persecutors.

2. At Rome, in the cemetery of Callistus on the Via Appia, **Saint Dionysius, pope**, who, after the persecution of the emperor Valerian, consoled the brethren either grieving with letters and by his presence, or redeemed captives from tortures by ransom, or taught the ignorant the doctrines of the faith, excelling in every virtue.

3. **Commemoration of Saint Zeno, bishop** of Maiuma in Palestine, who rebuilt a basilica with his kinsmen Saints Eusebius, Nestabius, and Zeno, martyrs, and even to the end of his life practiced the work of a weaver, that he might earn his livelihood and aid the poor.

4. At Rome on the Via Tiburtina, near blessed Lawrence, **the deposition of Saint Zosimus, pope**.

5. At Sardis in Lydia, **Saint Euthymius, bishop and martyr**, who, on account of the veneration of sacred images, was afflicted with exile by the emperor Michael the iconoclast, and finally, under the emperor Theophilus, was cruelly beaten with ox sinews and completed his martyrdom.

6. At Madrid in Spain, **Saint Vincentia Maria Lopez Vicuña, virgin**, who founded and spread *the Institute of the Daughters of Mary Immaculate*, so that aid of soul and body might be provided to girls separated from their families and assigned to domestic service.

7. In the village of Song-Khon in Thailand, **the blessed martyrs Agnes Phila and Lucia Khambang, virgins** of the Sisters Lovers of the Cross, **as well as Agatha Phutta, Cecilia Butsi, Bibiana Hampai, and Maria Phon**, who, refusing to deny the Christian faith, were killed with bullets in the cemetery of the village.

8. Near the place Dragali in Montenegro, **blessed Secondo Pollo, priest** of Vercelli, who, performing the office of chaplain of soldiers during the Second World War, while attending a dying soldier, was himself gravely wounded and a little later, having lost blood, gave up his spirit to God.

December 27th

This Day, the Twenty-seventh Day of December

Feast of **Saint John, Apostle and Evangelist**, who, the son of Zebedee, with his brother James and Peter was a witness of the Transfiguration, as also of the Passion of the Lord, and from the Lord Himself at the cross received Mary as his mother. In the Gospel and in other writings he shows himself as a theologian, who, having been deemed worthy to contemplate the glory of the Word made flesh, announced what he saw.

2. **Commemoration of Saint Fabiola**, a Roman **widow**, who, as Saint Jerome attests, turned her penance toward the benefit of the poor and brought it to perfection.

3. At Apamea in Bithynia, **the passion of Saint Theodore, monk** of the laura of Saint Sabas in Palestine, **priest and martyr**, who, at Constantinople **with his**

brother Saint Theophanes, for the defense of sacred Images, endured beatings, imprisonment, exile, and also the branding on his forehead, for which reason he was called Graptus, and died in prison.

4. At Liendo in Cantabria on the coast of Spain, **blessed Alaphrid Parte, priest** of the Order of the Clerics Regular of the Pious Schools **and martyr**, who, in time of persecution, because he was a priest, was led to a glorious martyrdom.

5. Likewise, in a vessel in the strait of the sea before Liendo in Spain, **blessed Joseph Mary Corbin Ferrer, martyr**, who fought a noble contest for Christ.

December 28th

This Day, the Twenty-eight Day of December

Feast of the Holy Innocents, martyrs. The boys who in Bethlehem of Judah were killed by the impious king Herod, so that with them the infant Jesus, whom the Magi had adored, might perish, and who, honored as martyrs from the earliest ages of the Church, are the first fruits of all who would pour out their blood for God and the Lamb.

2. At Alexandria in Egypt, **Saint Theonas, bishop**, who was the teacher and predecessor of Saint Peter the martyr.

3. Commemoration of Saint Antony, monk, who lived a solitary life and, as an old man, retired to the monastery of Lérins in Provence, where, kindly and learned, he died piously.

4. At Matelica in Picenum of Italy, **blessed Mattia de' Nazarei, abess** of the Order of Poor Clares.

5. At Lyon in Gaul, **the natal day of Saint Francis de Sales, bishop** of Geneva, whose memory is celebrated on the day of his death at Annecy, the twenty-fourth of January.

6. At Rome, **Saint Gaspar del Bufalo, priest**, who strove vigorously for the liberty of the Church, and, having been cast into prison, did not cease to lead sinners back to the right way, especially through devotion to the Most Precious Blood of Christ, in whose honor he founded *the Congregations of Missionaries and of Sisters*.

7. At Naples in Italy, **blessed Catherine Volpicelli, virgin**, who, continually devoted to the assistance of the poor and the sick, founded *the Institute of the Handmaids of the Sacred Heart*, taking care that Christian charity might always be expressed by activity adapted to the needs of the times.

8. At Kyiv in Ukraine, **blessed Gregory Khomysyn, bishop** of Stanislaviv **and martyr**, who, in time of persecution against the faith, merited to recline at the banquet of the heavenly Lamb.

December 29th

This Day, the Twenty-ninth Day of December

Saint Thomas Becket, bishop and martyr, who, for the defense of justice and of the Church, was forced into exile from the see of Canterbury and from the very kingdom of England, and after six years having returned to his homeland still endured many things, until, in the cathedral church, struck with the sword by the agents of King Henry the Second, he departed to Christ.

2. Commemoration of Saint David, king and prophet, who, the son of Jesse of Bethlehem, found favor before God and was anointed with holy oil by the prophet Samuel, so that he might rule the people of Israel; he transferred the Ark of the Covenant of the Lord into the city of Jerusalem, and the Lord Himself soon swore to him that his seed would remain forever, because from him Jesus Christ, according to the flesh, was to be born.

3. At Arles in Provence of Gaul, Saint Trophimus, who is held to have been the first bishop of this city.

4. At Carthage, Saint Liberius, bishop of Vaga and martyr, who, in the Council of Carthage concerning the baptism of heretics, asserted: "In the Gospel Christ said: I am the truth, and not: I am custom."

5. At Milan in Liguria, Saint Martinian, bishop.

6. At Constantinople, **Saint Marcellus, abbot** of the monastery of the Acoemetæ on the Bosphorus, in which the chanting of psalms was carried on day and night without any interruption whatsoever.
7. At Ouche in Neustria, **Saint Ebrulf, abbot** of the monastery of Saint-Evroul, in the time of King Childebert.
8. At Palermo in Sicily, **blessed Gerard Cagnoli, religious** of the Order of Minors, who first and for a long time remained in the eremitical life.
9. At London in England, **blessed William Howard, martyr**, Viscount Stafford who, professed the Catholic faith, and on account of this, falsely accused of conspiracy against King Charles the Second, was struck with the axe for Christ and died.
10. At Seoul in Korea, **Saints Benedict Hyōn Kyōng-nyōn, widow and catechist, and six companions,**⁴ **martyrs**, who, for the Christian name, were afflicted with many torments and put to death by beheading.
11. In the city of *Paterna* in the district of Valencia of Spain, **blessed Joseph Aparicio Sanz, priest and martyr**, who, when the persecution against the faith was raging, poured out his blood for Christ.
12. In the village of *Picadero de Paterna* likewise in the district of Valencia, **the blessed martyrs Henry John Requena, priest, and Joseph Perpiñá Nácher**, who completed a noble contest for Christ.
13. In the village of San Miguel de los Reyes in the same district, **blessed John Baptist Ferreres Boluda, priest** of the Society of Jesus **and martyr**, who, in the

same persecution, imitating the Passion of Christ, was deemed worthy to obtain the illustrious palm.

December 30th

This Day, the Thirtieth Day of December

1. At Rome, in the cemetery of Callistus on the Via Appia, **the deposition of Saint Felix the First, pope**, who ruled the Roman Church under the emperor Aurelian.
2. At Bonnonia in Moesia, **Saint Hermes, exorcist and martyr**.
3. **Commemoration of Saint Anysius, bishop** of Thessalonica, who flourished in the time of the emperor Theodosius, having been appointed by the Roman Pontiffs as apostolic vicar in Illyricum, and was heaped with praise by Saint Ambrose.
4. At Tours in Lugdunensian Gaul, **Saint Perpetuus, bishop**, who rebuilt the basilica of Saint Martin and many others in honor of the saints, and established in his Church the practice of fasts and vigils.
5. At Aosta in the Graian Alps, **Saint Iucundus, bishop**.
6. At Flavigny in the territory of Beauvais in Neustria, **Saint Geremarus, abbot** of the monastery of this place, which he founded.

7. At Evesham in England, Saint Egwin, bishop, who founded the monastery of that place.

8. In the Vestini of Italy, **Saint Ranieri, bishop** of Forcone, whose virtue in the administration of goods Pope Alexander the Second praised.

9. At Canne in Apulia, **Saint Roger, bishop**.

10. At the town of Fragalà in Sicily, **Saint Lawrence, monk** under the rule of the Easterners, notable for the austerity of his life and for unwearied preaching.

11. At Palestrina in Latium, **blessed Margaret Colonna, virgin**, who, preferring poverty for Christ to riches and pleasures of the world, served according to the Rule of Saint Clare, which she professed.

12. At Genoa in Liguria of Italy, **blessed Eugenia Ravasco, virgin**, who founded *the Institute of the Sisters Daughters of the Most Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary*, to whose care she entrusted the instruction of girls, as well as the needs of the sick and of very young children.

13. In the district of *Pancalieri* near Turin in Italy, **blessed John Mary Boccardo, priest**, who, amid many labors expended for the care of the aged and the sick and the Christian instruction of children, founded *the Congregation of the Poor Sisters Daughters of Saint Cajetan*.

December 31st

This Day, the Thirty-first Day of December

Saint **Sylvester the First, pope**, who for many years piously ruled the Church, in the time when Constantine the Augustus built venerable basilicas and the Council of Nicaea acclaimed Christ the Son of God. On this day at Rome, in the cemetery of Priscilla, his body was laid to rest.

2. Likewise at Rome, in the cemetery of the Jordani on the Via Salaria Nova, **the holy martyrs Donata, Paulina, Rogata, Dominanda, Serotina, Saturnina, and Hilaria**.

3. At Sens in Lugdunensian Gaul, **Saint Columba, virgin and martyr**.

4. At Constantinople, **Saint Zoticus, priest**, who took upon himself the care of feeding orphans.

5. At Jerusalem, **Saint Melania the Younger**, who, **with her husband Saint Pinian**, departed from the city of Rome and set out for the Holy City; and there she among the women consecrated to God and he among the monks pursued the religious life, and both rested in a holy death.

6. At Ravenna in Flaminia, **Saint Barbatus, priest**.

7. At Lausanne among the Swiss, **Saint Marius, bishop**, who transferred the See from Avenches to that place, rebuilt many churches, and was a defender of the poor.

8. In the district of La Louvesc, in the mountains near Le Puy in Gaul, **Saint John Francis Regis, priest** of the Society of Jesus, who, by preaching and celebrating the Sacrament of Penance, traveling through the mountains and rural districts of the place, unceasingly cared for the renewal of the Catholic faith in the souls of the inhabitants.

9. At the castle of Mercuès near Cahors in southern Gaul, **the passing of blessed Alain de Solminihac, bishop** of Cahors, who, by pastoral visitations, strove to provide for the correction of the morals of the people, and with apostolic zeal endeavored in every way to renew the Church committed to him.

10. At Paris in Gaul, **Saint Catherine Labouré, virgin** of the Daughters of Charity, who venerated in a special way the Immaculate Mother of God and was distinguished by simplicity, charity, and patience.

1. Among whom: Saints Emilius the physician, Dativa, Leontia, Tertius, Boniface of Sibida, Servius, and Victrix.

2. Whose names are: Saints Peter Yi Myong-so and Bartholomew Chong Mun-ho, fathers of families; Peter Son Son-ji, father of a family and catechist; Joseph Peter Han Chae-kwon, formerly a catechist; Peter Chong Won-ji, a youth.

3. Among whom: Saints John, Paul, another John, another Paul, Photinus, Zitas, Eugenius, Muselius, John, Stephen, Theodore, John, another Theodore, the son of the preceding, George, Theopemptus, another George, Sergius, another George, another Theodore, Cyriacus, another John, Zitas, Philoxenus, another George, another John, another George — all from the cohort of

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the Scythians; Theodosius, Epiphanius, John, Theodore, Sergius, George, Thomas, Stephen, Conon, another Theodore, Paul, another John, another George, another John, another John, Paulinus, Caiumas, Abramius, Marmises, [and] Marinus — all from the cohort of the Volunteers.

4. Whose names [are]: Saints Peter Ch'oe Ch'ang-hub, catechist; Barbara Cho Chung-i, widow of Saint Sebastian Nam I-gwan; Magdalene Han Yong-i, widow; Elizabeth Chong Chong-hye, virgin, daughter of Saint Cecilia Yu So-sa and sister of Saint Paul Chong Hasang; Barbara Ko Sun-i, wife of Saint Augustine Pak Chong-won; Magdalene Yi Yong-dog, virgin, sister of Saint Catherine Yi.

Omnes sancti Mártyres, oráte pro nobis. (“All ye Holy Martyrs, pray for us,” from the *Litaniae Sanctorum*, the Litany of the Saints)

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“Scio opera tua ... quia modicum habes virtutem, et servasti verbum Meum, nec non negasti Nomen Meum”
(Apocalypsis 3.8)

