

A Synaxis of Latin Saints (Plain Reading)

August 17th

On August 17th we commemorate Saint Carolman the King of Austrasia. Saint Carolman was the eldest son of Charles Martel, the King of the Franks. Upon the death of his father, Saint Carolman became the King of Austrasia in 754. Saint Carolman devoted himself to God and, believing in the duty of holy symphonia, built numerous monasteries and churches throughout his land. He aided Saint Boniface in his Enlightening of the Germanic lands, and, upon the advice of Saint Boniface, Saint Carolman left the throne to become a monastic on Mount Soracte. He became a devoted monk and served faithfully in the kitchens and farms of the monasteries where he lived. He reposed at the monastery of Vienne in France.

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On this day we commemorate Saint James the Deacon. Saint James was a Roman deacon who accompanied Saint Paulinus of York in the mission in Northumbria, England. He served faithfully with Paulinus and chose to stay near Lincoln after the rest of the Gregorian mission departed for other lands. He remained near Lincoln the rest of his life, combating the early heresies and paganism that plagued the land. According to Saint Bede, Saint James also taught many the sacred art of Old Roman chant, enlightening Northumbria with his voice.

On this day we also commemorate Saint Amor the Abbot of Amorbach in Franconia, Saint Anastasius the Bishop of Terni, Saint Benedicta & Cecilia the daughters of King Lorriane and Abbesses of Susteren in the Rhineland, Saint Drithelm the Ascetic of Melrose, Saint Eusebius of Sicily, Saint Hiero of Holland, Saint Theodulus the Bishop of Valais and the Martyrs Liberatus the Abbot, Boniface the Heirodeacon, Servus & Rusticus the Sub-Deacons, Rogatus & Septimus the monks and Maximus the Martyr child of Carthage, who were martyred by the Arian King Hunneric the heretic.

By the intercessions of Thy Saints, O Christ God, have mercy upon us. Amen.

