

A Synaxis of Latin Saints (Plain Reading)

January 16th

On January 16th, we commemorate Saint Honoratus of Arles. Probably born in Lorraine of a Roman consular family, he renounced paganism in his youth and went to the East to learn from monasticism. Returning to France, he founded a monastery on the Mediterranean island of Lérins. In 426 he was forced to become Archbishop of Arles, but reposed three years later.

Verses

On this day we commemorate Saint Fulgentius, the brother of Sts Isidore and Leander of Seville in Spain and of St Florentina. He was Bishop of Ecija in Andalusia and one of the leaders of the Spanish Church of that time.

On this day we commemorate Saint Fursey. Saint Fursey founded a monastery at Rathmat in Ireland and then traveled to England and founded another at Burgh Castle in Suffolk. He finally moved to France and founded a monastery at Lagny near Paris. He was buried in Picardy. His life is famous for his remarkable visions.

On this day we commemorate Saint James of Tarentaise, one of the Apostles of Savoy in France. He was the first Bishop of Tarentaise.

On this day we commemorate Saint Priscilla. Saint Priscilla was the wife of Manius Acilius Glabrio and mother of the senator Pudens. The tradition is that she was the hostess in Rome of the Apostle Peter. His headquarters were at her villa near the Roman catacombs which to this day bear her name.

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