

A Synaxis of Latin Saints (Plain Reading)

March 18th

On March 18th we commemorate Saint Edward the Martyr, King of England. The son of Edgar the Peaceful, he became King of England at the age of thirteen. He was known for his remarkable virtue, devotion to peace and acts of charity towards his subjects. His family and detractors believed him to be weak and unfit for rule, and in 978 he was murdered by plotters at Corfe and buried in Wareham in Dorset. He was at once acclaimed as a martyr. His relics are venerated in an Orthodox church in Surrey to this day.

Verses

On this day we commemorate Saint Frediano. Born in Ireland, he went on pilgrimage to Rome and settled in Italy as a hermit on Monte Pisano. In 566 he became Bishop of Lucca. He rebuilt the Cathedral after it had been burnt down by the Lombards.

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