

A Synaxis of Latin Saints (Plain Reading)

August 5th

On August 5 we commemorate Saint Afra the Great Martyr of Augsburg. Saint Afra was born into a pagan family, but her search for Truth led her to receive the teachings of the Holy Bishop Narcissus who led her to Christ. Saint Afra and her entire household were baptized and chrismated in the Orthodox faith. When it was discovered Saint Afra and her family had become Christians, they were brought before Emperor Diocletian and ordered to give sacrifice to the pagan gods. Saint Afra refused and was given the crown of martyrdom by fire.

Verses

On this day we also commemorate Saint Oswald the Martyr King of Northumbria, Saint Abel the Archbishop of Rheims, Saint Cassian the Bishop of Autun, Saint Emygdus of Ascoli, Saint Gormcal the Abbot of Ardoilen, Saint Memmius the First Bishop and Apostle of Châlons-sur-Marne, Saint Paris the Bishop of Teano, the Twenty-Three martyrs of Rome, Saint Theodoric the Bishop of Cambrai-Arras, and Saint Venantius the bishop of Vivier.

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