Our Lady of Mount Carmel

Apparition of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Feast: 16th July

July

In the 13th century, the incroaches of Islamism forced the Carmelite Order to flee the Holy Land, where it traced its spritual roots back to the prophet Elias. The future of the Order was uncertain until Our Lady appeared with the Child Jesus to the Prior General, Saint Simon Stock (16th May), on 16th July 1251 in Aylesford, Kent. She presented him with the Brown Scapular as a sign of her protection and promising that none who wore it piously would suffer eternal damnation. From then on, the Carmelite Order flourished, its members spreading throughout Europe establishing hermitages and shrines in honour of the Blessed Virgin Mary. In 1587, Pope Sixtus V established the Confraternity of the Brown Scapular, extending its privleges beyond the Order to the Universal Church. It has been the primary form of consecration to Mary ever since. Under the title of Our Lady of Mount Carmel, the Blessed Virgin Mary is the model of the interior life and a sign of salvation for all who are devoted to her.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 1 cl. **Most Precious Blood of Jesus** *(Titular of Westminster Cathedral 1 cl.)* **St. Oliver Plunket, B. & M.** Tyburn 1681 **Bl. Thomas Maxfield, Pr. & M.** Tyburn 1616	**2** 2 cl. **Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary** *(Comm. SS. Processus & Martinian, Martyrs)* **BBl. Montford Scott & George Beesley, PPr. & MM.** Fleet Street 1591	**3** 3 cl. **St. Irenaeus, Bishop & Martyr** First Friday **SS. Julius & Aaron, MM.** Caerleon 304 (Cardiff 3 cl.)	**4** 4 cl. **B.V.M. on Saturday** First Saturday **Bl. John Cornelius, Pr. & Comp. & Bl. Hugh Green, Pr., MM.** 1594/1642 (Plymouth 3 cl.) **BBl. Henry Abbot, William Andleby, Thomas Warcop & Edward Fulthrop, LL. & MM.** York 1597
5 2 cl. **Sixth Sunday after Whitsun** **St. Anthony Mary Zaccaria, C.** **St. Modwen, V. & Abs.** Burton on Trent 870 **Vens. George Nichols, Richard Yaxley, PPr., Thomas Belson & Humphrey Pritchard, LL., MM.** Oxford 1589	**6** 4 cl. **Feria** **St. Sexburga, W.** Ely, Cambridgeshire 699 **St. Thomas More, L. & M.** Tower Hill 1535 **Bl. Thomas Alfield, Pr. & Ven. Thomas Webley, L., MM.** Tyburn 1585	**7** 3 cl. **SS. Cyril & Methodius, Bishops & Confessors** **St. Palladius, B. & C.** Scotland 440 (Aberdeen 3 cl.) **St. Hedda, B. & C.** Winchester 705 (Birmingham, Comm.) **St. Willibald, B. & C.** Bavaria, 8th cent. **Translation of St. Thomas of Canterbury, B. & M.** (Portsmouth 3cl.)	**8** 3 cl. **St. Elizabeth, Queen of Portugal, Widow** **St. Withburga, V.** Dereham, Norfolk 743 **St. Morwenna, V.** 5th cent. **St. Edgar, 1st King of England** Glastonbury 975	**9** 4 cl. **Feria** **SS. John Fisher, B. & Thomas More, L., MM.** (In England & Wales 1 cl.) **Our Lady of Aberdeen,** (Patron of Diocese: Aberdeen 1 cl.)	**10** 3 cl. **The Seven Holy Brothers, Martyrs, and SS. Rufina & Secunda, Virgins & Martyrs**	**11** 4 cl. **B.V.M. on Saturday** *(Comm. St. Pius I, Pope & Martyr)* **St. Drostan, Ab. & C.** (Aberdeen, Argyll & the Isles 3cl.) **St. Oliver Plunket, B. & M.** (Clifton 3 cl.) **Bl. Adrian Fortescue, M.** (Birmingham 3 cl.)
12 2 cl. **Seventh Sunday after Whitsun** **St. John Gualbert, Ab.** **SS. Nabor & Felix, Martyrs** **St. John Jones, Pr. & M** Southwark 1598 **Bl. David Gonson,** Knight of St. John of Jerusalem, L. & M. Southward 1541	**13** 4 cl. **Feria** **St. Mildred, V** Isle of Thanet 725 **SS. Brigid & Maura** Scotland 5th cent. **Bl. Thomas Tunstal, Pr. & M.** Norwich 1616	**14** 3 cl. **St. Bonaventure, Bishop, Confessor & Doctor** **St. Deusdedit, B. & C.** Canterbury 664 **Bl. Richard Langhorne, L. & M.** Tyburn 1679	**15** 3 cl. **St. Henry II, Emperor & Confessor** **St. Swithin, B. & C.** 862 (Portsmouth 3 cl., Southwark, Comm.) **St. Edith, Queen. & W.** Polesworth, Warwickshire 926 **St. David, Ab.** 1080	**16** 4 cl. **Feria** *(Comm. Our Lady of Mount Carmel. Patron of the Diocese of Salford 1 cl.)* **St. Helier, H. & M.** Jersey 555 (Portsmouth, Comm.) **Ven. John Lion, L. & M.** Oakham 1598	**17** 4 cl. **Feria** *(Comm. St. Alexis, Confessor)* **Apparition of the Sacred Image of Our Lady "In Porticu"** (Cardiff, Menevia 3 cl.) **St. Kenelm, King & M.** Gloucestershire 821 (Birmingham, Clifton: Comm.)	**18** 3 cl. **St. Camillus de Lellis, Confessor** *(Comm. St. Symphorosa and her Seven Sons, MM.)* Dedication of Cathedral Church (Leeds 1 cl.)
19 2 cl. **Eighth Sunday after Whitsun** **St. Vincent de Paul, C.** **St. John Plessington, Pr. & M.** Chester 1679 **Ven. Antony Brory, Pr. & M.** Newgate 1537	**20** 3 cl. **St. Jerome Emilian, Confessor** *(St. Margaret, Virgin & Martry)* **Ven. John Hambley, Pr. & M** Salisbury 1587 **St. Ethelwida, Queen** Wife of St. Alfred, Winchester 903	**21** 3 cl. **St. Lawrence of Brindisi, Confessor & Doctor** *(Comm. St. Praxedes, Virgin)*	**22** 3 cl. **St. Mary Magdalen, Penitent** **SS. Philip Evans & John Lloyd, PPr. & MM.** Cardiff 1679	**23** 3 cl. **St. Apollinarius, Bishop & Martyr** *(Comm. St. Liborius, Bishop & Confessor)* **St. Vodine, B. & M.** London 436 **Ven. Robert Bickerdike, L. & M.** York 1586	**24** 4 cl. **Feria** *(Comm. St. Christina, Virgin & Martyr)* **St. John Boste, Pr. & M.** Durham 1594 **Vens. Nicholas Garlick, Robert Ludlam & Richard Simpson, PPr. & MM.** 1588	**25** 2 cl. **St. James The Greater, Apostle** *(Comm. St. Christopher, Martyr)*
26 2 cl. **Ninth Sunday after Whitsun** *(Comm. St. Anne, Mother of the B.V.M.; titular of Leeds Cathedral, 1 cl.)* **Bl. John Ingram, Pr. & M.** Gateshead 1594 **Bl. George Swallowell, L. & M.** Darlington 1594 **Vens. Robert Nutter & Edward Thwing, PPr. & MM.** Lancaster 1600	**27** 4 cl. **Feria** *(Comm. St. Pantaleon, Martyr)* **St. Joseph of Arimathea, C.** Glastonbury 82 **Ven. Robert Sutton, Pr. & M.** Stafford 1588 **Ven. William Davis, Pr. & M.** Beaumaris 1593	**28** 3 cl. **St. Nazarius & Celsus, Martyrs, Victor I, Pope & Martyr, Innocent I, Pope** **St. Sampson, B. & C.** Wales/France 604 (Cardiff 3 cl.)	**29** 3 cl. **St. Martha, Virgin** *(Comm. SS. Felix, Pope, Simplicius, Faustinus & Beatrice, Martyrs)* **St. Ethelwin, B. & C.** Lindisfarne, Durham 740	**30** 4 cl. **Feria** *(Comm. SS. Abdon & Sennen, Martyrs)* **St. Germanus, B. & C.** 448 (Plymouth 3 cl.) **BBl. Edward Powell, Richard Fetherston & Comp., Ppr. & MM.** (Cardiff, Menevia 3 cl.) **Bl. Everard Hanse, M.** Tyburn 1531 (Northampton 3 cl.)	**31** 3 cl. **St. Ignatius of Loyola, Confessor** **St. Germanus, B. & C.** 448 (Portsmouth, Comm.) **St. Neot, Mk. & H.** Glastonbury/Cornwall 880	

Month of the Precious Blood

Church of St. John the Baptist, Knock, Ireland. Photograph by FredSeiller. Source: Wikimedia Commons

Mass Times

St. Margaret Rich

Prioress † 1257 Feast: 15th August

August

Born in Abingdon around 1180, Margaret was still a girl when her father Reynold, a wealthy merchant (hence the epithet "Rich"), asked his wife's consent to enter the religious life at Eynsham Abbey in Oxfordshire, leaving her to raise their three children alone. Having given him her blessing, his wife Mabel oversaw the education of their children with great piety and diligence until she died, leaving their two daughters in the care of their eldest son and bequeething them both considerable dowries to help secure them places in a convent of good standing. Her son, however, considering the condition of a dowry to be too close to simony, approached the poor and obscure Priory of Catesby, where the Prioress gladly accepted the girls on the recommendation of their probity and piety alone. Thus, both Margaret and her younger sister Alice became Cistercian nuns whilst their brother Edmund became by degrees a Benedictine, a cleric, a priest, a renowned scholastic and preacher, the Archbishop of Canterbury and finally a saint! After Saint Edmund of Canterbury (16th November) died in 1240, the veneration of his pall (bequeethed to his sisters at the Priory of Catesby) occasioned some of the miracles investigated for his canonisation. He was canonised in 1246, just one year after Margaret was elected Prioress. Through her devotion, industry and position, as well as her brother's intercession from Heaven, Margaret obtained grants from King Stephen for a weekly market and an annual three-day fair around the feast of St. Edward the Confessor (13th October). This helped transform the Priory of Catesby into a thriving spiritual and civil hub, which endured until the dissolution of the monasteries under Henry VIII three centuries later. As for Margaret herself, the contemporary chronicler Matthew Paris described her, at the time of her death, as 'a woman of great holiness, through whose distinguished merits miracles have been made gloriously manifest.'

SATURDAY
1 4 cl. **B.V.M on Saturday** *(Comm. The Holy Machabees, Martyrs)* First Saturday **St. Ethelwold, B. & C.** Winchester 984 **St. Kenneth, H.** Gower Peninsula, Wales, 6th cent. **Bl. Thomas Welbourne, L. & M.** York 1605

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2 2 cl. **Tenth Sunday after Whitsun** **St. Alphonsus Liguori, B., C. & D.** **St. Stephen I, P. & M.** **St. Sidwell, V. & M.** Exeter 700 **St. Plegmund, B. & C.** Canterbury 914	**3** 4 cl. **Feria** **St. Germanus, B. & C.** 448 (Cardiff, Menevia 3 cl.) **St. Waltheof, Ab. & C.** Melrose, Scotland 1140 **Ven. Thomas Belchiam, Pr. & M.** Newgate 1538	**4** 3 cl. **St. Dominic, Confessor** **St. Walburga, V. & Abs.** England/Bavaria 779 **Bl. William Horne, Lay Brother,** **Ven. Edmund Brindholme, Pr. &** **Ven. Clement Philpot, L., MM.** Tyburn 1540	**5** 3 cl. **Dedication of the Church of St. Mary of the Snows** **St. Oswald, King of Northumbria, M.** Shrops. 642 (Nottingham, Comm.) **St. Thomas of Dover, M.** Dover 1295	**6** 2 cl. **Transfiguration of Our Lord Jesus Christ** *(Comm. SS. Sixtus II, Pope & Martyr, Felicissimus & Agapitus, Martyrs)*	**7** 3 cl. **St. Cajetan, Confessor.** *(Comm. St. Donatus, Bishop & Martyr)* First Friday **St. Claudia, W.** Mother of SS. Praxedes & Pudentia England/Rome 110 **Ven. Nicholas Postgate, Pr. & M.** York 1679	**8** 3 cl. **St. John Mary Vianney, Confessor** *(Comm. SS. Cyriacus, Largus & Smaragdus, Martyrs)* **St. Oswald, King of Northumbria, M.** Shrops. 642 (Shrewsbury, Westminster 3 cl.)
9 2 cl. **Eleventh Sunday after Whitsun** **Vigil of St. Laurence, M.** **St. Romanus, M.** **St. Hugh,B. & C.** Ely 820 **Bl. Richard Bere, Pr. & M.** Starved; Newgate 1537 **St. Oswald, King of Northumbria, M.** Shrops. 642 (Argyll & the Isles, Middlesbrough, Hexham & Newcastle, Lancaster 3 cl.)	**10** 2 cl. **St. Laurence, Martyr**	**11** 4 cl. **Feria** *(Tibertius, Martyr, & Susanna, Virgin & Martyr)* **St. Germanus, B. & C.** 448 (Westminster 3 cl.) **St. John Mary Vianney, C.** (Lancaster 3 cl.) **St. Blane, B. & C.** 610 (St. Andrew's & Edinburgh, Argyll & the Isles, Dunkeld 3 cl.) **St. Oswald, King of Northumbria, M.** Shrops. 642 (Liverpool 3 cl.)	**12** 3 cl. **St. Clare, Virgin** **St. Coganus, Ab. & C.** Scotland 770 **St. Jambert, B. & C.** Canterbury 791	**13** 4 cl. **Feria** *(Comm. SS. Hippolytus & Cassian, Martyrs)* **Bl. William Freeman, Pr. & M.** Warwick 1595 **Ven. James Dowdall, L. & M.** Exeter 1598	**14** 2 cl. **Vigil of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary** *(Comm. St. Eusebius, Confessor)*	**15** 1 cl. **THE ASSUMPTION OF THE B.V.M.** *(Titular of Cathedral: St. Andrew's & Edinburgh; Patron of O.L. of Good Aid Cathedral Motherwell)* **Holy Day of Obligation** Dedication of Cathedral Church (Southwark 1 cl.) **St. Margaret Rich, Prioress** Catesby, Northants. 1257
16 2 cl. **Twelfth Sunday after Whitsun** *(Comm. St. Joachim, Father of the B.V.M., Confessor)*	**17** 3 cl. **St. Hyacinth, Confessor** **St. Drithelm, H. & C.** Melrose, Scotland 700	**18** 4 cl. **Feria** *(Comm. St. Agapitus, Martyr)* **St. Helena, Empress & Widow** 330 (Brentwood 1 cl; Liverpool, Salford 3 cl.)	**19** 3 cl. **St. John Eudes, Confessor** **St. Credan, Ab. & C.** Evesham 781 **Bl. Christopher Robson, Pr. & M.** Aged 30; Carlisle 1598	**20** 3 cl. **St. Bernard, Abbot & Doctor** **St. Oswyn, King & M.** Northumbria 650 **St. Herbert Hoscam, B.** England/Italy 1180 **St. Ronald, Chieftain & M.** Orkney Islands, Scotland 1158	**21** 3 cl. **St. Jane Frances Fremiot de Chantal, Widow** **Our Lady of Knock** 1879 Dedication of Cathedral Church (Hexham and Newcastle 1 cl.)	**22** 2 cl. **IMMACULATE HEART OF THE B.V.M.** *(Comm. SS. Timothy, Hippolytus & Symphorian, Martyrs)* **St. John Kemble, Pr. & M.** Hereford 1679 **Bl. Richard Kirkman, Pr. & M.** York 1582
23 2 cl. **Thirteenth Sunday after Whitsun** **St. Philip Benizi, C.** **SS. Ebba the Younger & Comp., VV. & MM.** Coldingham 870 **St. Tydfil, V. & M.** Wales 480	**24** 2 cl. **St. Bartholomew, Apostle** **St Alice, Prioress** Northampton 1240 **Vens. Nicholas Tichborne & Thomas Hackshott, LL. & MM.** Tyburn 1601	**25** 3 cl. **St. Louis IX, King & Confessor** **St. Thomas of Hereford, B. & C.** (Birmingham, Comm.) **St. Ebba the Elder, Abs.** Coldingham 683	**26** 4 cl. **Feria** *(Comm. St. Zephyrinus, Pope & Martyr)* **St. John Wall, Pr. & M.** Worcester d. 22nd Aug 1679 (Birmingham 3 cl.) **Bl. Thomas Percy, M.** d. 22nd Aug 1572 (Middlesbrough, Hexham & Newcastle, Leeds 3 cl.)	**27** 3 cl. **St. Joseph Calasanctius** Dedication of Cathedral Church (Nottingham 1 cl.) **St. Decuman, H. & M.** Somerset 706 **St. David Lewis, Pr. & M.** Usk 1679	**28** 3 cl. **St. Augustine, Bishop, Confessor & Doctor** *(Comm. St. Hermes, Martyr)* **St. Edmund Arrowsmith, Pr. & M.** Lancaster 1628 **Bl. William Dean, Pr.** **& Ven. Henry Webley, L., MM.** Mile End Green 1588 **Bl. Thomas Felton, Pr. & M.** Brentford 1588	**29** 3 cl. **The Beheading of St. John the Baptist** *(Comm. St. Sabina, Martyr)* **St. Sebbe, King, Mk. & C.** St. Paul's Cathedral 675 **Bl. Richard Herst, L. & M.** Lancaster 1628

Month of the Immaculate Heart of Mary

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