

# December 9

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## THE CHURCHES REMEMBER...

### ARMENIANS:

*Conception of the virgin Mary*

### WESTERN CATHOLICS:

*Syrus* (3rd cent.), bishop (Ambrosian calendar)

*Leocadia of Toledo* (d. 303), virgin and confessor (Spanish-Mozarabic calendar)

### COPTS AND ETHIOPIANS (30 hatur/hedar):

*Acacius* (d. 488), patriarch of Constantinople (Coptic Orthodox Church)

*Catherine of Alexandria* (4th cent.), martyr (Coptic Catholic Church)

### LUTHERANS:

*Richard Baxter* (d. 1691), witness of the faith in England

### MARONITES:

*Francis of Paola* (d. 1507; see on April 2)

### ORTHODOX CHRISTIANS AND GREEK CATHOLICS:

*Conception by Anna of the most holy Mother of God*

*Dedication of the basilica of Anastasis* (335)