

December 9

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)