

## 21 February

✠ Upon the same 21<sup>st</sup> day of February, were born into the better life:

In Sicily, under the Emperor Diocletian, fourth century, seventy-nine holy martyrs, who through diverse torments won the crown of their confession.

At Adrumetum, Susa in Africa, in fourth century, the holy martyrs Verulus, Secundinus, Syricius, Felix, Servulus, Saturninus, Fortunatus, and sixteen others, who were crowned with martyrdom for their confession of the Catholic faith in the persecution under the Vandals.

At Bethsan, about 452, the holy martyr Severian, Bishop of that see.

At Damascus, in the year 743, holy Peter Mavimeno. Some Arabs came to see him while he was ill, and to them he said, "Whoever does not embrace the Catholic Christian religion will be damned, as your false prophet Mohammed is", whereupon they killed him.

At Ravenna, in the year 556, the holy Confessor Maximian.

At Metz, about the year 500, holy Felix, Bishop of that see.

At Brescia, in the seventh century, holy Paterius, twenty-third Bishop of that see.

And elsewhere many other holy martyrs, confessors and holy virgins.

✠ Thanks be to God.