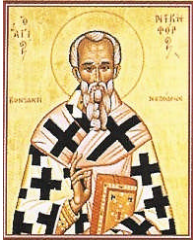


March 13

F. Translation of the relics of St. Nicephorus, Patriarch of Constantinople



The relics of St. Nicephorus, Patriarch of Constantinople, who died in the year 826 on the Island of Proconnesus (now Marmara, in the Sea of Marmara), were found 19 years later incorruptible and smelling sweet and were solemnly transferred to Constantinople on March 13, 846. See June 2.

Kontakion, tone 1

**The patriarchal choir in praises and hymns
Honors your holy memory, O Nicephorus.
For, in the translation they receive your soul, O Glorious One.
Today the honorable Church magnifies Christ the king,
And glorifies Him as the only Lover of mankind.**

Martyr Alexander was a presbyter who converted many to Christ and suffered for Christ in Pydna, Macedonia in reign of Maximian.

Martyr Sabinus. (In the Greek Menaion, Abibus).

Martyrs Africanus, Publius, and Terence suffered in the 3rd century.

Martyr Christina suffered in 4th century in Persia.

Venerable Aninas. Born in Chalcedon and when 15 years old he left the world and settled in a cave near the Euphrates River, spending all his time in strict fasting and prayer. He was glorified for his gift of treating illnesses and performed many other wonders. Ven. Aninas died in peace at the age of 110 years. See March 18.

Hieromartyr Publius, Bishop of Athens, was the successor to Dionysius the Areopagite at the beginning of the Second Century.

The Moldavian Icon of the Mother of God is in the Moldavian men's Savior – St. Nicholas Monastery in Nikolaev, Chersonese Province.

*S. V. Bulgakov, Handbook for Church Servers, 2nd ed., 1274 pp. (Kharkov, 1900) p 110-111
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