July 23

F. Holy Martyrs: Trophimus, Theophilus and those with them (13 in number), suffered for Christ in Lycia during the reign of Diocletian. After much torture all these holy confessors of Christ were beheaded by the sword.

Hieromartyr Apollinarius, Bishop of Ravenna

A disciple of the Holy Apostle Peter by whom he was installed as bishop, preaching Christ and confirming the truth of his sermons by many miracles, St. Apollinarius converted many pagans to the true faith. After serving as bishop for 28 years St. Apollinarius died, killed by the swords of the embittered pagans (about the year 75). His relics rest in Ravenna in the church of his name.