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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)