

Liturgical Celebrations and Weather Predictions

Ember Days

If it rains on the Ember Days, it will rain for the next three weeks.

The first Ember Day in a season predicts the weather for the next month.

The second Ember Day in a season predicts the weather for the month following.

The third predicts the third month.

Fall- Day 1

Day 2

Day 3

Winter- Day 1

Day 2

Day 3

Spring- Day 1

Day 2

Day 3

Summer- Day 1

Day 2

Day 3

Protecting Veil- October 1st or October 14th (Eastern rite) Russia

"Autumn in the morning, winter in the evening."

If it is cold and snowy on this day, the winter will be very cold.

Wind from the south mean a warm winter, winds from the west mean a snowy winter.

St. Andrew- November 30th Sweden

A slushy Andrews means a frozen Christmas.

The Nativity of Our Lord- December 25th Southern United States

The first twelve days after Christmas indicate what each month in the next year will be like.

Candlemas- February 2nd France

Expect 40 more days of rain if it rains on Candlemas.

Scotland

"If Candlemas be bright and clear

There'll be two winters in the year."

Pyrenees region

"At Candlemas, cold in air and snow on grass;

*if the sun then entice the bear from his den,
he turns thrice and goes back again."*

England

"If Candlemas Day be fair and bright

Winter will have another fight

If Candlemas Day brings cloud and rain

Winter won't come again."

St. Tryphon- February 14th

If it is rainy or snowy on this day, the year will be bountiful.

If the weather is clear, there will be droughts and a poor harvest.

The Resurrection of Our Lord- Moveable feast Southern United States

If it rains on Easter Sunday, it will rain every Sunday for seven weeks.

St. Quirinus- March 30th Spain and Italy

"As St. Quirinus' Day goes, so will the summer."

St. Urban of Langres- Jan. 23rd in Langres (**April 2nd** elsewhere) Germany

"If there is sunshine on St. Urban's Day

The wine thrives afterwards they say."

"The feasts of Pancras and Urban without rain

Bring big rich harvests."

"The weather on St. Urban's day will indicate what the autumn weather will be like."

St. Pancras- May 12th Germany

"The feasts of Pancras and Urban without rain

Bring big rich harvests."

St. Swithun-July 15th Britain (on St. Swithun's Bridge)*

"St. Swithun's Day if thou dost rain

For forty days it will remain

St. Swithun's Day if thou be fair

For forty days 'twill rain nae mare (no more)."

***This prediction is essentially repeated for the feasts of:**

St. Urban- April 2nd, France

St. Medard- June 8th, France

Ss. Gervaise and Protais- June 19th, France

St. Godelieve- July 6th, England