

spirit of compunction and humility, he made it his request that he should be crucified with his head downwards, which was done accordingly, and such was the death cheerfully suffered by the Prince of the Apostles, the first Vicar of Christ on earth.

Q. How and when did St. Paul die ?

A. St. Paul gained the crown of martyrdom about the same time as his brother apostle, and fellow-laborer, St. Peter, but he being a Roman citizen, might not be crucified, and was, therefore, beheaded.

Q. How did St. Andrew, brother of St. Peter, end his life ?

A. He was crucified for the faith at Achaia in Greece, after preaching the Gospel in Scythia, and various countries of Greece.

Q. What have you to relate of St. James, called the Major, or Great ?

A. St. James the Major, who was a brother of St. John the Evangelist, is supposed after the martyrdom of St. Stephen, to have preached to the Jews dispersed amongst the Gentiles. He also preached the Gospel in Spain, of which country he is considered the apostle. He returned to Jerusalem, after ten years apostolic labor, and was beheaded by order of king Herod Agrippa. St. James was the first of the apostles who suffered martyrdom.

Q. What have you to relate of St. John, the Evangelist ?

A. St. John did not die a martyr to the faith like so many others of the apostles, although he was once