

for mercy on his persecutors, when the Jews stoned him to death.

Q. Who was St. Jude, surnamed Thaddeus, and what was his end?

A. St. Jude was the brother of St. James the Less, and like him, therefore, a nephew of our blessed Lady. He preached the Gospel in Judea, Samaria, Syria, and Idumea. St. Jude suffered martyrdom in Armenia, though some historians say, in Persia. He is said to have been shot to death with arrows, some say whilst fastened to a cross.

Q. What is related of St. Simon, surnamed Zelotes, or the Zealot, on account of his great zeal?

A. He is said to have preached the faith in Egypt, and other countries of Africa, and subsequently in the East, where he is supposed to have died on a cross, in Suanir, a city of Persia.

Q. What was the life and death of the apostle St. Mathias, the successor of Judas Iscariot?

A. St. Mathias was remarkable for his mortified and austere life. He preached the faith in Cappadocia, and along the shores of the Caspian Sea, and received the crown of martyrdom at Colchis.

Q. What is related of St. Mark, the Evangelist?

A. St. Mark was a disciple of St. Peter, by whom he was appointed to the see of Alexandria, in Egypt, where he made numerous converts, but had to fly on two occasions from the fury of the pagans. On the pagan feast of the Egyptian idol Serapis, they dragged