

# Festivals and Saints' Days (w/c 1<sup>st</sup> September)

3<sup>rd</sup> September

## **Saint Gregory the Great** - *doctor of the Church, bishop*

Gregory was born around AD540. He was Bishop of Rome (Pope) from 3<sup>rd</sup> September AD590 until his death on 12<sup>th</sup> March AD604. In this country he is particularly remembered because he sent Saint Augustine to convert England. He was of an aristocratic family. He tried the monastic life for a short while, but soon returned to public life. He was an able administrator and quite a prolific theological author. He also undertook a great revision of the Roman Liturgy, the influence of which is still with us.

