

St. Raymond Nonnatus

St. Raymond Nonnatus was born in Spain to a noble family in 1204. He became a Mercedarian priest and later became the master-general of his order. He spent his estate by trying to ransom Christians. Once he surrendered himself to free another Christian. Although he was sentenced to death, he was spared the ultimate sentence because he was worth a great ransom. He was imprisoned and tortured, yet he was able to convert some of his captors. He was finally ransomed and returned to Barcelona in 1239. Pope Gregory IX made him a cardinal. He died of a fever in 1240. St. Raymond is patron saint of fever and falsely accused people.