

**Bl. Lukarda of Oberweimar
(Germany) 1275-1309, Stigmatic**

Infirmarian / Nurse.

*Miraculous healer. Deep Mystical Prayer Life.
Stigmatic.¹*



Lukarda was born in 1276 in Thuringia (modern Germany).

When she was twelve, she entered the Cistercians of the Abbey at Oberweimar, near Weimar. She was assigned as the infirmarian of the monastery where she devoted herself with great diligence and compassion to the nursing care of the sick.

She endured many sufferings with patience and perseverance. She was comforted by the Blessed Virgin Mary and Saint John the Baptist. She was devoted to the Passion of Jesus Christ. She received the stigmata during a vision of Jesus. She informed the nuns that she would only live to the age of 33.

She had the gift of healing and many miracles were attributed to her during her lifetime. These included two blind men regaining their sight after cloths stained with the blood of St. Lukarda's wounds were placed on their eyes.² A biography on the monastery website which is now a Lutheran Church reports, "She experienced the death of her mother in spirit, had conversations with the deceased and foresaw two fires in the monastery. Christ often appeared to her, comforting and encouraging."³

Sister Lukarda of Oberweimar died on Palm Sunday, March 22, 1309, at the Oberweimar Abbey in Weimar, Thuringia (modern Germany) from natural causes. She was buried in the side chapel of the monastery. Many people immediately honored her, and through her intercession many obtained extraordinary healings. The veneration of Blessed Lukarda was suppressed in the area by Protestant officials during the Reformation. The cult of Saint Lukarda disappeared and was never resumed.

(Memorial - March 22)

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