

## **Module H09: The History of Carmelite Devotion**

This module is an introduction to some of the devotions, sacramentals, and popular piety found across the Carmelite Family from its origins to the present day. It outlines a contemporary, post-Conciliar approach to devotions in the light of renewed appreciation of popular piety.

It covers the following topics:

- the theology, development and pastoral implications of 'devotions'
- Carmel's devotion to major figures such as Elijah, Mary, and other saints
- the symbolism of the Carmelite Brown Scapular
- attitudes to prayer, contemplation, and asceticism
- Carmel's promotion of pilgrimage and other acts of piety
- the link between liturgy and popular devotions
- the universal and distinctive elements of Carmelite devotions within wider Christian belief and culture