

Module S09: St Albert of Jerusalem



This module is an outline of the life of the Italian Canon Regular, Bishop and Patriarch of Jerusalem, Albert degli Avogadri, who drew up the Formula of Life for the First Carmelites.

Units 1-3 outline Albert's early years, from about 1150 to 1170, approximately, the fourteen years he spent a Canon Regular of the Holy Cross of Mortara, from about 1170 to 1184, and the year he spent as Bishop-elect of Bobbio.

Units 4-5 describe Albert's activities as Bishop of Vercelli between 1185 and 1191.

Units 6-8 describe Albert's life during the changed circumstances under Pope Celestine III (1191-98), which coincided with the rule of the Holy Roman Emperor, Henry VI.

Units 9-11 outline Albert's life as Bishop of Vercelli under Pope Innocent III (1198-1205), when imperial influence waned due to the struggle for succession of two rival claimants.

Units 12-14 describe his activities in the Holy Land as Latin Patriarch of Jerusalem (1205-14).

Unit 15 describes the final period of Albert's time as Patriarch and the Formula of Life that he drew up for the first Carmelites.

Unit 16 outlines some the most significant attributes of St Albert of Jerusalem.

This module is available to study on the following programmes:

- Diploma in Spirituality (Carmelite Studies)
- B.Th. (Carmelite Studies)