

Sister's Spin

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Today is the feast of St. Agnes, a young virgin martyred for her desire to remain chaste and offer her life to God. There is a custom celebrated on her feast day in Rome which involves the blessing of lambs, because her name is so similar to the Latin word for lamb, which is "agnus". The lambs blessed on this day have their wool shorn in the spring and from this wool, are made the pallium, a stole like garment that is given to an Archbishop/bishop at his consecration as bishop as a sign of his authority shared with the Holy Father. Agnes is the patron saint of young girls and women and serves as a good reminder of the importance of chastity in today's world.

-Sister Marcianne

