

## EARLY BRITAIN—TIMELINE

### **BRITISH MIDDLE AGES: 54 B.C. TO 800 A.D. ROMAN CONQUEST OF BRITAIN TO FIRST VIKING RAID**

- 54 BC** [Julius Caesar](#) [invades Britain](#) and demands tribute.
- 51** Emperor [Claudius](#) [reconquers Britain](#).
- 61** Rebellion of [Boadicea](#) is severely put down by the Romans.
- 77-84** [Agricola](#) Romanizes Britain; builds schools, roads, aqueducts.
- 122** [Hadrian's](#) wall is built to protect Roman Britain from the Picts of Scotland.
- 304** Death of [Saint Alban](#), the first Christian martyr in Britain.
- 402** Roman legions leave Britain.
- 433** [Saint Patrick](#) converts the Irish Celts to Christianity.
- 460** [Hengist and Horsa](#), German princes from Juteland, arrive in Britain.
- 460-685** [Saxon Conquest of Britain](#)—Saxons drive British Celts to Wales and Scotland.
- 540** [Saint Mungo](#) helps convert the Celtic Scots to Christianity.
- 542** Death of [King Arthur](#).
- 596** [Saint Augustine of Kent](#) sent from Rome to convert Saxon kingdoms of Britain.
- 660** Celtic Christian, and Roman Christian churches are united.
- 700** [Venerable Bede](#) publishes an ***Ecclesiastic History of the English People***.
- 757-96** Reign of King [Offa of Mercia](#), most influential of the Saxon kings.