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**Peter of Alvastra** (14th c.)

1. Name variants: Petrus Olavi, P. Olafson

2. Places: Alvastra (Swedish monastery), Rome

3. Biography: P. is mentioned in the *Menologium Cisterciense* together with Olav and Tordo. He may be identical with Petrus Olavi, born around 1307 and died in 1390, prior of Alvastra. The *Menologium* describes him in connection with the dying brother Gerekin's vision of golden letters, seen as a promise of "heavenly joy." P. is associated with Saint Bridget, in whose visions he believed. He visited her in Rome several times.

4. Cultus:

a. Relics: –

b. Liturgical commemoration: 1 Aug

c. Patronage: –

d. Attributes: –

5. Fontes: *Sancta Birgitta, Revelaciones*, Lib. VIII, ed. H. AILI, Stockholm 2002, 56; C. HENRIQUEZ, *Menologium Cisterciense notationibus illustratum*, Antwerp 1630, 248f.

6. Literature: *Svensk biografisk lexikon*, <https://sok.riksarkivet.se/sbl/Presentation.aspx?id=7209>; T. ZELBACHER, *Menologium Cisterciense*, Prag 1731, 147; J. FRANCE, *The Cistercians in Scandinavia*, Kalamazoo 1992, 394–405.

7. Illustrations: J. FRANCE (1992), 395 shows Peter accompanying the coffin of Saint Birgitta.

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