

BRINGING THE CARMELITE SAINTS ALIVE

EIGHTEEN EDITION 2025



IN THIS MONTH OF SEPTEMBER, WE WILL BE HIGHLIGHTING MARY ELIZABETH THERESE OF THE DIVINE CHILD JESUS,
THIRD ORDER CARMELITE



“SWEET LADY OF CARMEL THAT LIVES WITHIN THE SOUL” & “GOD IS ALL GOODNESS” -
OF THE DIVINE CHILD JESUS

MARY ELIZABETH THERESE



As we look upon the beautiful life of Mary Elizabeth Therese, our beloved Carmelite Sister, God choose her in the womb to become a living witness of “Joy through Suffering” to all of us, to say “Yes” to all that He was asking of her. After her mother experienced a mystical visitation from the Immaculate Heart of Mary on her hospital bed and receiving a double spirit at her Carmelite Profession, Mary is conceived in the womb. This is where Mary Elizabeth receives her name. Her mother echoed what St. Elizabeth said to Mary, “Who am I that the Mother of my Lord should come to me?”

The next part of Mary’s name is Therese- Mary confirmation name, named after St. Therese of the Child Jesus. Before Mary was born, her mother prayed that her love would be pure, and St. Therese took this to the heart of Mother Mary and the Heart of Jesus and along came you – PURE LOVE FROM HEAVEN- A BEAUTIFUL BABY WITH DOWN SNYDROME.

And the last part of her name: THE DIVINE CHILD JESUS. Which will be the name that she will take as a Third Order Carmelite in her TEMPORARY PROFESSION that she made last year with Father Francis Amodio in 2024. This is quite an accomplishment for a young woman who has Down Syndrome.

Mary Elizabeth was pure love and pure Joy! “Blessed are the pure of heart for they shall see God.” She saw the good, beautiful and pure in everyone and everything. She showed us how to stay in the moment. Knowing the Holy Trinity dwelled within her. She taught us how to transform our hearts and to gaze upon the face of God and His wounds. Psalm 27 – Come, says my heart “seek God’s face; your face Lord do I seek.” Mary Elizabeth always took Jesus’ hand and never looked back. Mary Elizabeth constantly witnessed and gave us the road map of how to live life through the eyes, heart and wounds of the Divine Child Jesus, His Crucified Body and His Holy Face. Bringing Heaven down to us by her gentle

and loving spirit. Going through our Mama Mary's Immaculate & Sorrowful Heart and St. Joseph's most pure and chaste Heart.

Her life was full of challenges, suffering but many miracles and joy along the way. How many times her life was spared and how many hearts and souls that were converted and touched along the way.

Her Mother and Father were always so grateful to God for her precious life. She was a Leukemia survival for 20 years and had Down Syndrome, survived a tainted saline solution, Duodenal Atresia in the womb and had stomach surgery at one day old, heart surgery at 10 months old, Pulmonary issues & ENT surgeries and issues all her life, Eye Issues, (Strabismus, Esotropia, Cataract in both eyes), Scoliosis, Sensory issues, Spatial issues, also had a problem with the left leg with steps, many food allergies and many other illnesses during her lifetime. But she has shown us that no disability can get in the way of achieving holiness and becoming a saint.

Mary Elizabeth passed away from a very rare heart problem (which her parents were not aware of) in her sleep and went home to the Lord on Saturday, May 31st, 2025 the Feast of The Visitation (Mary visits her cousin Elizabeth). Our dear Mother Mary carried our dear daughter to Her Son Jesus on that Saturday morning. Our Lady has promised us that whoever wears the scapular will be brought to Heaven on that Saturday. Our dear Sorrowful Mother also promised that whoever spreads the devotion of her Seven Sorrows will see her face when they die. I know that our dear daughter, Mary Elizabeth, saw Mother Mary's face and she along with her two guardian angels brought her right up into Heaven. And while she entered Heaven St. Padre Pio and all the Carmelite Saints were waiting for her at the Gate.

I believe that Jesus has said to His beloved daughter, "Well done, good and faithful servant!" "Enter into the joy of thy Lord." "Delight in His love, you pure of heart and sing for joy in the Lord." Mary Elizabeth is showing herself here on Earth and interceding for us. We are already having little miracles when we pray to her and also others are receiving them too. I have already seen her beautiful radiant face three times, and she is lovingly showing us that we need to keep our eyes and hearts on the Holy Eucharist. She is also showing us how much she loved her Carmelite vocation and how important it is to all of us.

I know in time she will be a beautiful Patron Saint for Children with Down Syndrome, Special Needs, ALL-Leukemia, Pulmonary issues, Heart issues, Stomach issues, ENT issues, Sensory & Spatial issues & eyes issues. She will be known for her love of the Eucharist and Our Mother Mary and the joy and love that she gave so freely to everyone that she met. Also, saving souls through her sufferings with joy. As some friends have said to us, "She was a little victim soul" or as St. Therese would call it, "Legion of little victims of Divine Love." Let us pray to her and seek her intercession: Mary Elizabeth Therese of the Divine Child Jesus, Pray for us.

OUR CARMELITE MISSION

MAY WE EMBRACE MARY'S PURITY OF HEART (PURITAS CORDIAS), AS SHE HELPS US TO PONDER THE LAW OF THE LORD DAY AND NIGHT ASSISTING US TO BE CONTEMPLATIVES AND TEACHING US TO LISTEN. AS WE WALK IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF OUR FATHER AND LEADER ST. ELIJAH; WITH HIS FLAMING ZEAL AND COURAGE WHICH ALLOWED HIM TO COMBAT THE EVILS OF HIS DAY. MAY WE PRAY THAT HIS PROPHETIC SPIRIT BE AN INTEGRAL PART OF OUR CARMELITE LIFE."

MAY OUR LADY'S MANTLE WRAP YOU ALL WITH HER PRECIOUS LOVE. ALL THROUGH THE IMMACULATE & SORROWFUL HEART & TEARS OF MARY, ALL THROUGH THE PURE AND CHASTE HEART OF ST. JOSEPH, ALL IN UNION WITH THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS.

YOUR SISTER IN CARMEL,

LINDA

In these Hearts



I place my trust