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St. Elizabeth Ann Seton is the first American born saint. She was born in New York City in August of 1774. Her mother died when she was only 3 years old. In 1794 she was married and had 5 children. She went to Italy and discovered the Catholic faith. When she returned to New York, she was baptized Catholic. She took vows after her husband died and started a religious community called the Sisters of Charity of St. Joseph. She taught and helped the poor, especially the Italian immigrants.

Lord God, you blessed Elizabeth Ann Seton with graces as a wife, a mother, an educator, and a foundress so she may spend her life in service to your people. Through her example and prayers, may we learn to express our love for you in love for our neighbor. We ask this through our Lord, Jesus Christ. Amen.