



The Carmelite Family will celebrate the canonization of Blessed Elizabeth of the Trinity (Elizabeth Catez) on Sunday, October 16. Elizabeth, born in Bourges, France, in 1880, was a contemporary of St. Therese of Lisieux. Elizabeth entered the Carmel of Dijon on August 2, 1901, made her profession of vows on the feast of Epiphany, 1903 and died of Addison’s disease (then incurable) on November 9, 1906. She was only 26.

Elizabeth is for us a saint of the interior life. At an early age she felt God take possession of her heart and soul. She lived with the longing and desire to be a Carmelite, gazing from her bedroom balcony towards the monastery of Dijon.

Growing up with her mother and sister, Marguerite, after the death of her father, she was a vibrant, talented and attractive young woman. Elizabeth studied and played the piano with great skill. Her letters witness to friendship and a deep empathy with the life-events of her correspondents. She was always faithful to prayer and tried to help others in their search for God.

Her life in Carmel fostered and supported a remarkable inner journey to God. Elizabeth read and prayed over the Gospels; she methodically studied the letters of St. Paul and she read the works of her beloved mentors John of the Cross and Teresa. Her letters and writings are hymns to the love of God she experienced in faith and hope, in times of darkness and consolation. A profound grace caused her to call herself *a praise of God’s glory* (Eph. 1:12).



The body of her work and writing is a precious treasure for the Carmelite Order. Her soul was fixed on the mystery of the indwelling God, who united her to all creation. She prayed always to be conformed to Christ and consumed by the fire, the Spirit of Love.

The life of a Carmelite is a communion with God from morning to evening and from evening to morning... through everything we see Him for we bear Him within us, and our life is an anticipated Heaven (Letter 123).




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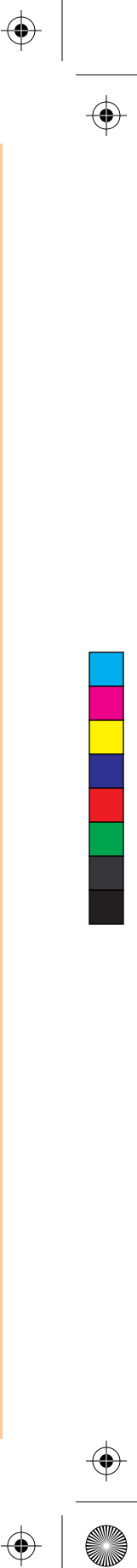
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Elizabeth of the Trinity
Canonization
October 16, 2016
Celebrated at our 9 a.m. Mass

Join us for special Eucharistic Celebrations:
October 2 at 9 a.m. - St. Therese of Lisieux
October 16 at 9 a.m. - St. Teresa of Avila & Elizabeth of the Trinity





Climate change is a global problem with grave implications: environmental, social, economic, political and for the distribution of goods. It represents one of the principal challenges facing humanity in our day. (Pope Francis, Laudato Si' 25)

Inner peace is closely related to care for ecology and for the common good because, lived out authentically, it is reflected in a balanced lifestyle together with a capacity for wonder which takes us to a deeper understanding of life. (Laudato Si' 225)



Sr. Veronica's Garden



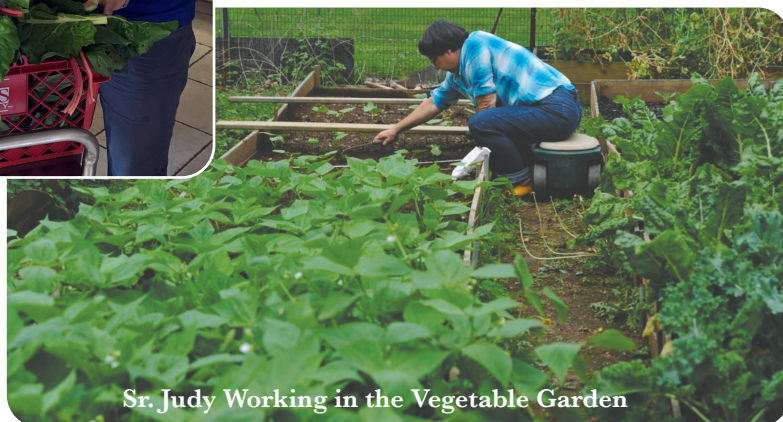
Our Meadow in Spring

If the simple fact of being human moves people to care for the environment of which they are a part, Christians in their turn "realize that their responsibility within creation, and their duty towards nature and the Creator, are an essential part of their faith." (Laudato Si' 64)



Sr. Lupe Harvesting Chard from the Garden

We are called to be instruments of God so that our planet might be what God desired when he created it and correspond with his plan for peace, beauty and fullness. (Laudato Si' 53)



Sr. Judy Working in the Vegetable Garden

Everything is related, and we human beings are united as brothers and sisters on a wonderful pilgrimage, woven together by the love God has for each of his creatures and which also unites us in fond affection with brother sun, sister moon, brother river and mother earth. (Laudato Si' 92)



Sr. Barbara Jean Praying Outdoors