



Saint Joseph's, Saint Anne's & Holy Family And Saint Patrick's
17th November 2024, Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B
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Sunday Mass Readings for November 17 2024, Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B	
1st Reading	Daniel 12:1-3
Responsorial Psalm	Psalms 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11
2nd Reading	Hebrews 10:11-14, 18
Alleluia	Luke 21:36
Gospel	Mark 13:24-32

1st Reading - Daniel 12:1-3

1 In those days, I Daniel, heard this word of the Lord: "At that time there shall arise Michael, the great prince, guardian of your people; it shall be a time unsurpassed in distress since nations began until that time. At that time your people shall escape, everyone who is found written in the book.
 2 "Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake; some shall live forever, others shall be an everlasting horror and disgrace.
 3 "But the wise shall shine brightly like the splendor of the firmament, and those who lead the many to justice shall be like the stars forever."

Responsorial Psalm - Psalms 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11

R. (1) You are my inheritance, O Lord!

5 O LORD, my allotted portion and my cup,
 you it is who hold fast my lot.
 8 I set the LORD ever before me;
 with him at my right hand I shall not be disturbed.

R. *You are my inheritance, O Lord!*

9 Therefore my heart is glad and my soul rejoices,
 my body, too, abides in confidence;
 10 because you will not abandon my soul to the netherworld,
 nor will you suffer your faithful one to undergo corruption.

R. *You are my inheritance, O Lord!*

11 You will show me the path to life,
 fullness of joys in your presence,
 the delights at your right hand forever.

R. *You are my inheritance, O Lord!*

2nd Reading - Hebrews 10:11-14, 18

Brothers and sisters:

11 Every priest stands daily at his ministry, offering frequently those same sacrifices that can never take away sins.
 12 But this one offered one sacrifice for sins, and took his seat forever at the right hand of God;
 13 now he waits until his enemies are made his footstool.
 14 For by one offering he has made perfect forever those who are being consecrated.
 18 Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer offering for sin.

Alleluia - Luke 21:36

R. Alleluia, alleluia.
 36 Be vigilant at all times
 and pray that you have the strength to stand before the Son of Man.
 R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel - Mark 13:24-32

Jesus said to his disciples:
 24 "In those days after that tribulation the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light,
 25 and the stars will be falling from the sky, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken.
 26 "And then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in the clouds' with great power and glory,
 27 and then he will send out the angels and gather his elect from the four winds, from the end of the earth to the end of the sky.

28 "Learn a lesson from the fig tree. When its branch becomes tender and sprouts leaves, you know that summer is near.
 29 In the same way, when you see these things happening, know that he is near, at the gates.
 30 Amen, I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place.
 31 Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.
 32 "But of that day or hour, no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father."

- ❖ Exiles
- ❖ Dying children
- ❖ Countesses
- ❖ Budapest, Hungary
- ❖ Brides
- ❖ Bogotá, Colombia
- ❖ Bakers

Saint(s) Of The Day



St Elizabeth of Hungary Life History

St Elizabeth of Hungary's father was King Andrew II of Hungary and her mother was Gertrude of Merania. Her lineage was of nobility from both parents' sides. From Hungary, Elizabeth went to Thuringia in Germany at the age of 4 years to be betrothed to Louis IV, Landgrave of Thuringia (Ludwig). She lived in the royal courts until she was 14 years old when she finally married Ludwig. When the Franciscan friars arrived in Thuringia in 1223, St Elizabeth of Hungary learned about the life of St Francis of Assisi and started to practice them in real life. Her husband, Ludwig was very supportive of her charitable works, and together with Elizabeth, they were liked and appreciated in equal measure by the poor and the needy in Thuringia. When Konrad von Marburg, a priest became St Elizabeth of Hungary's confessor, he influenced her a lot and she continued being pious. In 1226, Ludwig was selected by the emperor, Frederick II, to represent him at the Imperial Diet in Cremona. Elizabeth took control of the affairs in Thuringia. At that same time severe floods, famine, and plague hit Thuringia and Elizabeth sent alms to the poor and needy in all the affected parts of Thuringia including royal ornaments and robes. When St Elizabeth of Hungary's husband, Ludwig, went to the Sixth Crusade of Emperor Frederick II, to recapture Jerusalem, he died of fever in Otranto, Italy on 11th September 1227. Elizabeth was very devastated and remarked, "He is dead. He is dead. To me, it is as if the whole world died today." Elizabeth was only 20 years old with three children when she was widowed. Henry Raspe, Ludwig's brother took over the reins of power. The family despised Elizabeth as an extravagant person and threw her out on the streets with her children but after her husband's allies came back from the crusade she was helped to return back to the family's royal courts. After a protracted battle over the return of her dowry, she was finally given what was due to her and moved to Marburg in Hesse. St Elizabeth of Hungary made a solemn vow of celibacy before Konrad von Marburg, her confessor, and also pledged her obedience to him. Konrad was very thorough in his management of Elizabeth where he gave her very high and unrealistic standards to live her life. On several occasions, he would recommend that she be punished by caning. Her vow of celibacy became a hindrance to the political ambitions of her family which even made her uncle hold her hostage in his castle to lure her into remarriage. Elizabeth on her part adamantly refused to go against her celibacy vow and even threatened to cut off her nose to repulse away any potential suitors. With the money she got from her dowry, St Elizabeth of Hungary built a hospital at Marburg where she and her companions cared for the sick and the poor. There are several miracles that are attributed to St Elizabeth of Hungary. One of them is the Miracle of the Roses. This miracle occurred when one day as she was secretly taking bread to the poor and the hungry, she bumped into her husband Ludwig who asked her if she was stealing the treasures from the castle. He demanded that she reveal whatever she was hiding under her cloak and when she opened her cloak only white and red roses were seen. Another miracle occurred when Elizabeth laid a leper named Helias of Eisenach on their matrimonial bed. Her mother-in-law found out and told Ludwig. When Ludwig went to the bedroom and removed the bedding, he saw the image of Jesus on the Cross lying there on the bed.

St Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious Biography	
Date of Birth	7 th July 1207
Place of Birth	Bratislava, Slovakia
Profession	Served the sick
Place of Work	Thuringia, Germany
Date of Death	November 17 1231 (aged 24)
Place of Death	Marburg, Landgraviate of Thuringia (modern-day Hesse, Germany)
Feast Day	17 th November
Canonization	By Pope Gregory IX on 27 th May 1235 in Perugia, Italy

Death

St Elizabeth of Hungary's health deteriorated and died in 1231 AD in Marburg at the age of twenty-four.

St Elizabeth of Hungary is the Patron Saint of

- ❖ Widows
- ❖ Third Order of Saint Francis
- ❖ Teutonic Order
- ❖ Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Jaro, Iloilo City, the Philippines
- ❖ Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Bogotá
- ❖ Nurses
- ❖ Lace-makers
- ❖ Košice, Slovakia
- ❖ Hospitals
- ❖ Homeless people
- ❖ Falsely accused people

Relics

St Elizabeth of Hungary was buried on the grounds of her hospital. After her canonization, her body was preserved in the shrine in the St Elizabeth's Church in Marburg. Many years later her relics were dispersed to many places in the world.

Canonization

Immediately after the death of St Elizabeth of Hungary, many people reported that they had received healing when they sought her intercessions at her grave. After examinations and investigations were concluded on the reported healings, the results were proved sufficient to warrant her canonization. She was canonized by Pope Gregory IX on May 24 1235.

Legacy

After St Elizabeth of Hungary was canonized, the Order of Brothers of the German House of Saint Mary in Jerusalem, commonly known as the Teutonic Order built the Elisabethkirche in Marburg and adopted St. Elizabeth as their secondary patroness. After Napoleon Bonaparte dissolved the Teutonic Order in 1803, the Church was converted into a Protestant church with special spaces reserved for Catholics to Worship.

St Elizabeth of Hungary Feast Day

We celebrate her feast day on 17th November every year in the Catholic Church.

Tomorrow's Catholic Daily Readings for November 18 2024, Monday of the Thirty-third Week in Ordinary Time
Catholic Sunday Homily - 17th November 2024, Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

17th November 2024 Sunday Mass Readings Homily Theme: Heaven And Earth Will Pass Away But My Words Will Not
- Mark 13:31

The Sick Of The Parishes:



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