

Luisita knew that God was calling her to an even deeper union with Him through prayer; and so she entered the cloistered Carmelites shortly after the death of her husband. She spent many hours daily before the Blessed Sacrament. Within her soul she felt the call of God to return to her work in the little hospital. After much prayer, discernment, and consultation with the Archbishop, it was agreed that she should return to the hospital and when she did, Luisita brought the spirituality of Carmel back with her.

Intention: *Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, grant every Carmelite soul the desire for prayer, silence and solitude, penance and renunciation. May our way of life, hidden and simple, inspire many hearts to follow You and Your most Beloved Mother. We ask for the **virtue of fortitude** to follow Jesus on whatever path to holiness He has called us to.*

5th Decade

Song

Only the Church will be able to say it. It belongs to her alone to place a halo of glory over the names of her children. We are jubilant spectators and hopeful witnesses. What joy it would give us to hear the voice of the Supreme Pontiff pronounce a decisive opinion about the sanctity of the Foundress of the Carmelite Sisters of the Most Sacred Heart! Until that day, we continue praising God for His goodness in giving to us such a mother to imitate and learn from...and to share with the Church!

Hail Holy Queen

Beatification prayer of Venerable Mother Luisita

O Jesus in the Holy Eucharist, King and center of all hearts! Look with merciful love on the petitions we present to You through the intercession of Your servant, Mother Maria Luisa Josefa of the Most Blessed Sacrament. *(Pause and request your petition)* We humbly beseech You to glorify her who was always such a fervent lover of Your Sacred Heart by granting us these favors if they are for Your greater honor and glory. Amen.

**In the spirit of
Mother Luisita...**



**A Holy Hour
for Vocations**



“May you use every day of your life to love Him, to serve Him and to thank Him for the love He has for you.”

Venerable Mother Luisita



The holiness of Christ is many-splendored. It shines out in the lives of His saints. It touches our hearts and makes us wish to be like them. This is verified in the Servant of God, Maria Luisa Josefa of the Blessed Sacrament. It is reflected in the daughters of the Community who look to her as their Mother Foundress.

(Timothy Cardinal Manning-Archbishop of Los Angeles)

Intention: *This Holy Hour is being offered for the all the young men and women who are being called to embrace their holy vocations. It is also being offered for an increase in the virtues of faith, hope, and love so that we might be strengthened to follow our vocation and become the Children of God we were created to be.*

Creed, Our Father, 3 Hail Mary

Mother Luisita's story was a simple one. She was from a small town. Looking around her little town, she noticed the faces of the people around her. There was no need to look further. Although Luisita was wealthy, she had eyes to see and what she saw was the terrible plight of the poor in her country.

Intention: *Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, open the eyes of those You have called to see the needs of the poor. Enkindle in their hearts the desire to serve You and Your Church. We ask for the virtue of generosity of heart to see You in every soul.*

1st Decade

Luisita never forgot these impressions etched upon her soul – how God was forgotten, neglected or ignored, and even mocked; how the poor had no schooling, medical care, or instruction in religion and were denied their rights as human beings; how churches were closed and tabernacles emptied; and how families had to rely upon their own efforts to preserve, nurture, and pass on their faith to their children. Like Mary, she pondered these things in her heart. And God saw within her heart a cluster of graces called a charism, to meet the specific needs she saw in her town.

Intention: *Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, help those You have called to discover within their hearts the cluster of graces You bestowed upon their soul at Baptism. Show them the Community where they truly belong for the greater honor and glory of Your name, for their sanctification, and for the sanctification of the world. We ask for the virtue of perseverance in our state in life and for all families to persevere in prayer for one another as each discovers God's will in their personal lives.*

2nd Decade

Ever since she was a small child, Luisita, a contemplative by nature, was moved by the Holy Spirit to prayer. She discovered God's presence in nature as Creator. She experienced the sacramental presence of Jesus Christ, Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity under the appearance of bread and wine in the Holy Eucharist when she received Holy Communion. And she loved to contemplate the presence of God, the Holy Trinity within her own soul.

Intention: *Lord Jesus, it is the promise of Your Most Sacred Heart that fervent souls shall rise speedily to great perfection. Through the power of the Most Blessed Sacrament, may those who consecrated their lives to You reach perfection of mind, heart and soul for the salvation of the world. We ask for the virtue of fidelity to what we are called to each day of our lives.*

3rd Decade

Luisita and Dr. Pascual Rojas (her husband) worked tirelessly to provide medical care for the people in their town who had none at all. Luisita was moved to compassion as her heart embraced the poor, the sick, the suffering, and she grieved that their dignity as children of God was abused over and over again. Her life became an offering of prayer and penance to God and service to the people in her little town.

Intention: *Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, You promised to console those who experience difficulties. Grant patience and understanding to those You have called that they may become instruments of Your boundless ocean of mercy and love. We ask for the virtue of loving kindness to all we meet, especially those are marginalized and most alone.*

4th Decade