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**A** Time to reflect and Pray: Advent and Christmas Seasons are gifts to be opened slowly!  
Don't forget that Advent begins on Sunday November 27. The four weeks are for our spiritual preparation for the solemn feast of Christmas. The last nine days (Dec.16-24 )we begin a special prayer to intensify our yearning just as those people of the Old Testament waited for the promised Messiah.



*"To your lowly manger, Jesus, we bring the suffering of our wounded human family and at your feet we lay our every fear and concern. O Eternal Child, as we kneel in adoration with our brothers and sisters, heal our brokenness and allow your love to be born again in the world through us. Come Lord Jesus! Amen"*

A warm welcome to our new Bishop of the Diocese of Superior: **Most Rev. James Patrick Powers!**



## A New Saint in the Church praying for us!

**The life of the Holy Spirit** breaths where it wills and it bears fruit in holy lives more often than we realize. Recently the Church has acknowledged one more for us to emulate.

**St. Elizabeth of the Trinity** was born in France in 1880 and became a Carmelite nun in 1901. Already having a deep prayer life she flew quickly to the heights of union with God. She died at age 26 from Addison's disease for there was no cure at that time. Her writings and personal example have helped many deepen their own life of prayer and learn how to suffer with love. As St. Therese of the Child Jesus renewed attention to the aspect of

childlike trust in God, St. Elizabeth calls renewed attention to the indwelling of the Holy Trinity in the soul.

**She said, "I think my mission in heaven will be to draw souls, helping them to go out of themselves to cling to God, with a spontaneous, love-filled action, and to keep them in that great interior silence which enables God to make his mark on them, to transform them into himself."**

**As we know,** the Church looks into the claims of a miracle due to the intercession of this person before they are declared a saint. The recent miracle



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which was proved beyond all doubt was this. A 30 year old woman from Belgium was dying of a deadly autoimmune disease. She went to the Carmel in France to pray to Bl. Elizabeth for the grace to die a happy death. Just as she was leaving the monastery she realized that she was totally cured. Her doctors were confounded. During the ceremony of canonization on October 16, this woman, Marie-Paul Stevens, was the one chosen to bring up the reliquary of this saint to the Altar.

Quotes from St. Elizabeth of the Trinity:

***"In the light of eternity the soul sees things as they really are. Oh, how empty is all that has not been done for God and with God! I beg you, mark everything with the seal of love! It alone endures."***

***"I have found heaven on earth, because heaven is God and God is in my soul'.***

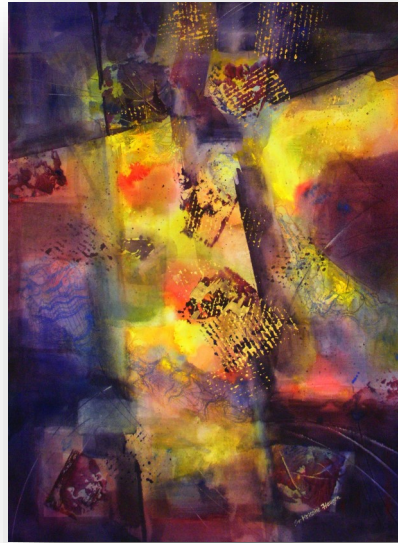
All her writings are available from ICS Publishers, but there is one book on her which is available online as a free pdf document. ☺

[www.strobertbellarmine.net/books/Elizabeth](http://www.strobertbellarmine.net/books/Elizabeth)

*The Jubilee Year of Mercy ends November 20 but God's infinite Mercy is always at hand when we reach out for it.*



Look for Christmas cards and gifts at [www.hermitagearts.com](http://www.hermitagearts.com)



"In your light we see light"

### ART SHOW NOTICE:

**February 8 - May 7, 2017**

the Hudson Hospital and Clinic in the **Hudson Physicians Lobby** will be exhibiting my artwork. See the website for more details.



What do you call a sleepwalking nun?

A Roaming Catholic!

### News from the Hermitage:

This year begins my third year in this new hermitage. Blessed be God in His Gifts, I say! Your kindness and help through all these years has been a sign of God's love to me. Besides the daily hours of prayer, my working hours have been busy with sewing liturgical vestments for churches. This is a wonderful way for me to serve the priests and people who want to "do something beautiful for God" with a new altar cloth or vestment. Alongside of that I still make cards and prints of my new watercolor paintings. I find watercolor a beautiful and fascinating medium. Challenging too for sure! Framing pictures, housework, maintenance and office work takes up any spare time left!

**May this season of preparation** be a holy and blessed time for each one of you! Looking back at the blessings of the year is a wonderful thing to do. The attached paper gives you this chance to reflect on the blessings, as well as your prayer intentions. Please feel free to send them to me so that I can unite in prayer with you for we are one in Christ's love. A novena of Masses will be offered for you as we prepare for Christmas. Have a most blessed Thanksgiving and Christmas! With my prayers, *Sister Kristine Haugen, Hermit of Mt. Carmel*

If you would like to send me your petitions so to join in union of prayer you may send this paper to :  
Mt. Carmel Hermitage, 913 250th Avenue, Luck, WI 54853

Or send via email to: **mountcarmelhermitage@gmail.com**



**Lord, I am most grateful for..**

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**And I ask your help  
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