

Novena to the Venerable Elizabeth Bergeron



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First Day

Lord, we pray with your beloved daughter, Elizabeth Bergeron. She was baptized into the great family of believers. At every moment of her life, she trusted you; we beg you, heighten in us the filial confidence that helps us to recognize in you the loving Father who recreates us unceasingly at « *his image and likeness* ».

R: Lord with Elizabeth, fulfil us

Second Day

Lord, we pray with your child, Elizabeth Bergeron, who, from a very young age, nourished a great desire to receive you in her heart as an eight-year-old girl. Awaken in us this deep desire to be in communion with your loving Presence at each of our Eucharist. Give us also to taste your Presence in the bread that we share with the most destitute.

R: Lord with Elizabeth, fulfil us

Third Day

Lord, we pray with Elizabeth Bergeron. A young teenager, she dreamed of making you known and beloved by preparing children for their first communion. Following her example, give us the courage to pronounce the words and above all to make the gestures that enable your love to grow in our hearts and those of others.

R: Lord with Elizabeth, fulfil us

Forth Day

Lord, we pray with your friend, Elizabeth Bergeron, whom you have called to religious life. In this search, her heart and mind remained open to your call. Before our life choices, Lord, let the ears of our hearts be attentive to the requests of our sisters and brothers who need our help, our kindness and our tenderness.

R: Lord with Elizabeth, fulfil us

Fifth Day

Lord, we pray to you with our sister Elisabeth Bergeron who took up the challenges presented to her by laying the foundations of a community of religious teachers when she could not write. When I feel overwhelmed by certain events or obstacles, give me the opportunity to open myself humbly to the help and collaboration that others can bring.

R: Lord with Elizabeth, fulfil us

Sixth Day

Lord, we pray with our sister Elisabeth Bergeron, who in her great simplicity was close to all human beings. Come transform our way of living our relationships between us and especially those who need the most understanding and affection.

R: Lord with Elizabeth, fulfil us

Seventh Day

Lord, we pray with your servant Elizabeth Bergeron who humbly accepted the role of assistant when she was the founder of her community. When we are subjected to humiliations and lack of gratitude, let feelings of peace, truth and service down upon us.

R: Lord with Elizabeth, fulfil us

Eighth Day

Lord, we pray you with the venerable Elizabeth Bergeron whom you have chosen and called to serve humbly in your Presence. Let us be witnesses of your love so that in serving our sisters and brothers, our gestures bear the mark of your kindness and benevolence.

R: Lord with Elizabeth, fulfil us

Ninth Day

Lord, we pray thee with thy handmaid Elizabeth Bergeron, who spread the joy which dwelt within her. May the Risen touch our whole being with a joyous hope: that of the Love that you have for each of your endeavors, and that through Him, with Him and in Him we become: GOOD NEWS!

R: Lord with Elizabeth, fulfil us

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