

Elizabeth Bergeron speaks to us...

Winter 2017

« Walking with Elizabeth ... »



Yes, we took the road on a weekend of October 2016, with this simple, helpful and cheerful woman, the humble Elizabeth Bergeron. As part of a gathering, four young ladies had expressed the desire to know her better, to love her and to follow her in the mission entrusted to her in 1877.



*It is near a tree that our walk begins. Six apples invite us to taste **the living words of Elizabeth**. Elizabeth's **essential values** took the form of four birds: **simplicity, joy, service and humility**. These words and values inspire us and give us the energy and the motivation to continue the path in which we engage.*

After a long journey with Elizabeth, each one, in the form of a prayer or a poem, expresses her relationship with her. Here are some excerpts ...*

*I, who wishes to make things move, I sometimes move away from you. Help me find a place for you so that I can share my joys and my fears in order to live fully what I embrace and serve You with the intention of spreading happiness. **Christine***



*Lord, let it be that as the image of Elizabeth, I become an instrument of **SIMPLICITY**. May my presence, my listening, and my actions be carried by the same kindness and divine abandonment as Mother St. Joseph. Lord, let that in my daily task, I follow the footsteps of Elizabeth who invites me to resemble you in the midst of children in order to do them good. **Virginie***

*Dear Elizabeth, by your simplicity you made yourself small among the little ones, you were great in your humility. I want to move forward as you did. Help me dear Elizabeth. Your perseverance, your courage, and your faith in all things have made your life a great work of love and education and have given life to a better world. I want to put my trust in your God, in our God. Help me ... Dear Elizabeth, shine on me, that I, too, bear the light that has been kindness, joy and gentle patience. **Amélie***

*Elizabeth, you who believed in the impossible, give me to believe. Elizabeth, you who have seen in the invisible, help me to see. It is in prayer that you have drawn strength and courage. You received everything and you returned it. Your love of young people and your faith in them are inspiring. Hand in hand, let's walk with Elizabeth in **Service, Joy, Simplicity and Humility**. **Mélanie***

*Source : www.sjsh.org Actuality « Marching with Elizabeth »

We meet at the Mausoleum to pray and to express our joy of knowing her better. You will find excerpts of the celebration that we have lived in the bulletin appendix. It will be at your disposal during your visits to the tomb.



Our walk ends with a moment of interiorization where we are invited to shape (with modeling clay) the legacy that Elizabeth Bergeron bequeaths to those who approach her and who walk very humbly as disciples of the Resurrected. **We leave with her who is close to every human being.**

Diane Beauregard, sjsh

Favors obtained

Elizabeth Bergeron does good to many people; she is a woman who comforts, who is close. Dear friends of Elizabeth, we are committed with you to pray to her. You are the promoters of her Cause with us. **ALL the favors obtained through her intercession are important to advance her cause of beatification. They must be known and preserved.**

In April, we will have the visit of Father Llewellyn Muscat, o.p., secretary of Father Gianni Fiesta, o.p. Postulator for the cause of Mother Elizabeth in Rome. He will be able to examine our archives and study more closely the favors obtained through the intercession of Mother Elizabeth. We are confident that his visit will help the congregation to take important steps towards the process of beatification of our foundress.



We count on your fraternal prayer for this purpose. Again, **we insist on the necessity to share the favors obtained**, carefully adding the name, address and telephone number of the person who has obtained a favor.

Recognition to Venerable Elisabeth Bergeron

Protection : Gratitude to you Mother Elizabeth Bergeron for all that you do for my family and myself. You are always listening to our requests and you know how to calm our torments and small unforeseens of our everyday life. Accept in return all our gratitude for the many services you provide us. Keep watching over my close and distant family. P. M..., St. Hyacinthe, QC

House sold : Through the intercession of Venerable Elisabeth Bergeron, my parents' house, aged 85, was sold. This allows them to live in a nursing home for autonomous and semi-autonomous people. Very grateful. C. G..., Sorel-Tracy, QC

Peaceful Passing away : Through the intercession of Mother Elizabeth Bergeron, my brother-in-law André experienced a peaceful death. He had been suffering for fifteen years S. M. G..., Saint-Lambert, QC

Healing : A few words to thank the Venerable Elisabeth Bergeron for having healed my left foot. Thanks to this good Mother, I can now walk. M. L ..., Longueuil, QC

Health maintained: I feel the presence of Venerable Elisabeth. Thanks to her help, the cancer is asleep, the treatments have worked. Many thanks! M. L..., Sorel-Tracy, QC

Car sold : Thank you to Mother St. Joseph for helping us sell the Camaro. What a relief!
R. L..., Saint-Simon, QC

Success : I want to thank Mother St. Joseph for her help and for the business success that my three boys have just received. Every day I pray this venerable Mother, by entrusting to her my sons. In return, I ask them to be generous and to thank God for all that they receive from life. A contented mother.
P. L..., Granby, QC

Relief provided : In gratitude for this healing thanks to the help of Mother Elizabeth Bergeron. My son had a backache while no anti-inflammatory agent acted; having a scoliosis, he received an injection of cortisone. After two weeks, his health has improved, he no longer suffers and can walk, workHe now feels better physically and mentally.
D. M..., Saint-Bruno, QC

Job offer / house sold : Recognition to Venerable Elizabeth Bergeron for her help: a job was found and a house sold.
L. R..., Boucherville, QC

Improved health : Through the intercession of the Venerable Elisabeth Bergeron I recognize, thanks to her help, having received a good dose of synthoid that improves the functioning of my organism. Many thanks!
L. C..., Beloeil, QC

Daily Help : I want to thank Mother St. Joseph for the many favors she gets us :

- ❖ for the stability of my sight; According to the specialist, cataract is minimal;
- ❖ for the sale of our old car, continental 1977, and this without any problem;
- ❖ or the new liner of our in-ground pool, and in no time;
- ❖ for the health we enjoy, my husband and I.

I am very grateful to Mother St. Joseph, I can't wait for her beatification.
Y. B...-N..., Mont-Saint-Grégoire, QC

Object found: On Thursday, Jean notices that he no longer has his hearing aids. We invoked good Mother St. Joseph who guided him to the gas station. And it is there that he had lost his case containing his hearing aids while he was taking money out of his pocket. It seems extraordinary, because we had been to several places that day.
L. C..., Beloeil, QC

Support provided : Thank you to Mother Elizabeth Bergeron for her presence in my daily life.
Y. G...-D..., St. Hyacinthe, QC

Job found : Thank you to Mother St. Joseph for an obtained favor. She helped me find a job that meets my expectations. Very grateful.
L. T..., Beloeil, QC

Multiple Favors : My son started his electromechanical course on December 5 and his unemployment application was accepted. My mother regains her health gradually, following her two bypasses. She is self-sufficient and lives at home. My requests are realized through your prayers and the presence of the venerable Elizabeth Bergeron in our lives.
F. B..., La Présentation, St. Hyacinthe, QC

House sold : I had a house for sale. The first buyer had made a promise to purchase. A second presents himself, wishing to have absolutely the said house. Following the intercession of Good Mother St. Joseph, after two days, the notary called me to inform me that the first purchaser had withdrawn. So, everyone was happy with the arrangement. Many thanks to Mother Elizabeth!
J. et T. B..., St. Joseph-de-Sorel, QC

New job : My son, father of three children, had lost his job following the abolition of his position. After three months without work, he obtained a new position from his former employer, which fully meets his expectations. Thank you again to Mother St. Joseph for her help to our family!

N. S...- J..., Mont-Saint-Hilaire, QC

Security : Thank you to Mother Elizabeth Bergeron for the trip I made safely. May she help me with new necessities!

G. L...-P..., Granby, QC

Property found: Mark and Andrea found a property that suited the requirements and location of their family and budget. It took a lot of patience and perseverance because of the slowness and complexity of the procedures. The important thing is that our prayers have been heard. My gratitude to Mother Elizabeth and to all of you.

N. B...-K..., Longueuil, QC

Employment obtained : I often prayed to Mother St. Joseph so that my little daughter, Emily, would find a job, and I was answered. To express my gratitude, I have made a donation to help her cause of beatification.

C. H..., Granby, QC

Gratitude to Mother St. Joseph : My son Marc's house was destroyed by a fire on November 28, 2016. Having interceded with the venerable Elizabeth Bergeron to obtain moral support and acceptance of all this, and be able to rebuild without difficulty, here's my son: positive again, he bought another house while waiting to rebuild on the same lot. I offer thanks to God and to the intercession of our Mother Elizabeth. I very much hope for the canonization of this venerable Mother!

F. C..., Sainte-Julie, QC

Good Mother Elizabeth, we trust ...

Friends of the Venerable Elizabeth Bergeron have confidence in her. The nuns pray our Lord for you and with you, through her intercession so that your requests are met.

Be confident! She cannot remain deaf to our requests. In a special way we entrust to her: Adam and his mother Elaine, Caroline and her family, Francine, Jacinthe, Layla, Marguerite and Stephane.



We ask Elizabeth to continue to be close of each of you that have confidence in her.

Assorted information



Available videos

To improve your knowledge of Elizabeth Bergeron, **three videos are available** on our website www.sjsh.org : one relating the life of Elizabeth Bergeron and the other describing her journey since her death and a new video entitled "*Elizabeth Bergeron opens her heart to us*". They were made by Aude Leroux Lévesque and her company Bideshi Film. We hope you enjoy them... N.B. These videos are also available at the mausoleum. You can also view the video of **the transfer of the tomb of Elizabeth Bergeron**; this event was experienced on October 30, 2014. (Duration: 60 minutes)

A virtual tour of the mausoleum is also available on our website.

Novelty

As an appendix to the newsletter, to help you pray with Elizabeth, we offer you a celebration.
N.B. Celebrations will be at your disposal at the mausoleum.

To share the favors obtained through the intercession of the Venerable Elizabeth Bergeron, to recommend your intentions, to obtain information, to book a meeting or receive, at no charge, by email or by regular mail, the “Elizabeth Bergeron speaks to us” bulletin, Please contact ...

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Important

Thank you for notifying us when you change your postal address.

At all times, you can read our e-newsletter « *Elizabeth Bergeron speaks to us...* » in the section « Elizabeth Bergeron ».

**Mausoleum of the Catholic cemetery of
 St. Hyacinthe Cathedral**
 1075, Girouard Street East, St. Hyacinthe, (QC) J2S 7R1

Opening hours
 Monday to Saturday from 10 :00 AM to 4 :00 PM
 Sunday : Closed
(450) 774-4664

N.B. To meet with a member of our congregation, please make an appointment by contacting the Elizabeth-Bergeron Centre or a member you know. Thank you!

**Welcome to all the friends of the Venerable
 Elizabeth Bergeron**



Each semester, a mass is celebrated in the intentions of the benefactors and friends of the Cause of the Venerable Elizabeth Bergeron. The present publication does not want to anticipate the judgment of the Holy Church, it wants to comply to all its decisions.



Change : Please note that since January 1st, 2017, we issue receipts for donations of \$30.00 or more. Thank you for your understanding.

With the permission of the Ordinary of St-Hyacinthe

Pray ... celebrate ... with the venerable Elizabeth Bergeron.
A celebration to guide you.

Elizabeth, you who believed in the impossible
Elizabeth, you who saw in the invisible.
To the Gospel comply us
Towards the Kingdom, lead us.

Hope lights up in the heart of the world,
A large chandelier is missing
The one that is fashioned in the crucible of friendship. **R/**

The table is set at the heart of the world,
New wine is missing
The one we need to drink to the joy of renewal. **R/**

Love shivers at the heart of the world,
A burning Bush is missing,
One who illuminates like incandescent wood. **R/**

Faith wavers in the heart of the world,
It lacks the flash of joy
He who sparkles in the cry: "Lord, I believe! " **R/**



Elizabeth Bergeron has left us a heritage in the words she has passed on to us.
We have associated them with the words of Jesus that we find in the Gospels.

☼ **Elizabeth's words** 📖 **Gospel words**

☼ Elisabeth encourages her daughters while lacking material resources. « *Pray and everything will be settled for the better. We must confide in Providence.* »

📖 Jesus tells his disciples: « *Look at the birds: they do not sow nor reap, they do not gather crops in granaries, but your Father in heaven feeds them! Aren't you worth much more than birds?* »

☼ « *Be good to your dear students, especially to the poorest and least gifted; It is by goodness that you will gain their hearts and do them good,* "said Elizabeth. *See Our Lord in each of them.* »

📖 Jesus tells his disciples: « *All that you have done to one of these little ones who are my brothers, it is to me that you have done it!* »

✿ Elizabeth to her sisters: *« In your life, you will encounter difficulties, annoyances, sorrows, do not be discouraged. Go to Jesus, confide in him and you will be happy. »*

📖 Jesus tells his disciples: *« Come to me all who labor and bend under the burden. Learn from me that I am gentle and humble of heart. »*

✿ Elizabeth: *« The greatest miracle of Bishop Moreau was to establish a community of religious teachers with someone as ignorant as me. »*

📖 Jesus tells his disciples: *« O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, I thank you for revealing to the little ones what you have hidden from the wise and educated. »*

✿ To a sister who had put a piece of sewing in her basket. (Winter 1903):
« There you are, my sister, I am glad to have helped you; you have so much work. »

📖 Jesus tells his disciple: *« Everything you do to the smallest of mine, do it with a good heart. »*

✿ During a typhoid epidemic, in the winter of 1884, when several sisters were affected, Elizabeth offered to replace the teaching sisters: *« Go take your rest, my daughters. It is I who has to watch over the sick. »*

📖 Jesus says: *« I was hungry, I was thirsty, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me ... »*

✿ To her nurses, a few days before her death, Elisabeth said: *« Let me go now! I cannot wait to see God. I love you all very much, but God even more, as you know very well! When I am near him, I will watch over you. »*

📖 Jesus says: *« You have heard me say, "I am going, but I will come back to you." If you loved me, you would rejoice to know that I am going to the Father, because the Father is greater than I! »*

**To finish, we invite you to recite the prayer to the Venerable Elizabeth Bergeron
By uniting yourself with all the people who put their trust in her
And by remaining thankful for the favors obtained by her intercession.**

May she be close to you and the people you entrust to her.

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