Welcome to Holy Hermits Online Worship

11th Sunday after Pentecost

Today we remember

Holy Hermit Edith Stein

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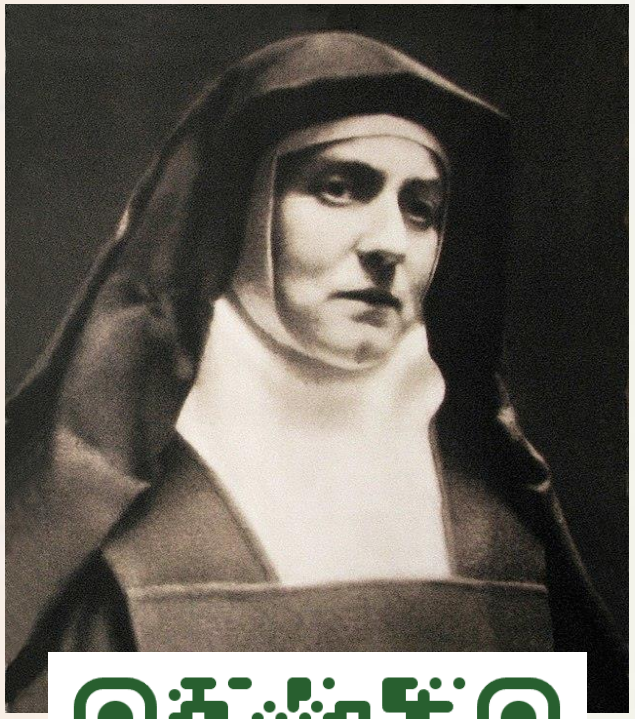


Edith Stein - Saint Teresa Benedicta of the Cross (1891 –1942) was a German Jewish philosopher who converted to Christianity and became a Discalced Carmelite nun.

She is canonised as a martyr and saint of the Catholic Church; she is also one of six patron saints of Europe.

Edith Stein was born to an observant Jewish family as the youngest of 11 children. She was a very gifted child in a home where her mother encouraged critical thinking, and she greatly admired her mother's strong religious faith. By her teenage years, however, Edith become an agnostic.

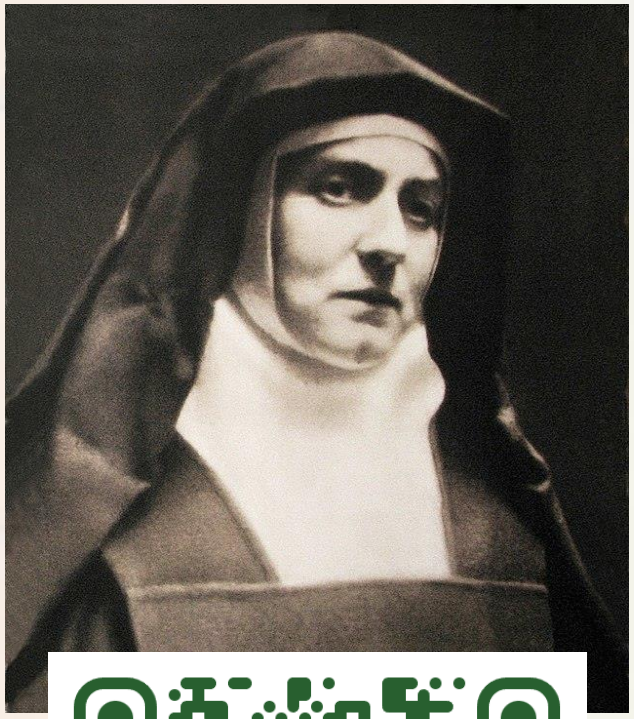
It was her reading of the autobiography of the mystic Teresa of Ávila during summer holidays in 1921 that prompted her conversion and eventually the desire to seek the life of a Discalced Carmelite.

In 1930s Cologne she wrote her metaphysical book (Finite and Eternal Being), attempting to combine the philosophies of Thomas Aquinas, Duns Scotus and Edmund Husserl.

To avoid the growing Nazi threat, the Order transferred Edith and her sister, Rosa, to a monastery in the Netherlands.

To read more about our Hermit today, please scan the QR code.

Leader: Ultimately, she would not be safe there. Along with 243 baptised Jews living in the Netherlands, Edith was arrested by the SS on 2 August 1942 and imprisoned at the concentration camps of Amersfoort and Westerbork. On 7 August 1942, early in the morning, 987 Jews were deported to the Auschwitz concentration camp. It was probably on 9th August that Edith, Sister Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, her sister Rosa, and many more Jewish people were killed in a gas chamber.



"To stand before the face of God—that is our vocation. . . . Our daily schedule ensures us of hours for solitary dialogue with the Lord, and these are the foundation of our life. . . . No human eye can see what God does in the soul during hours of inner prayer. It is grace upon grace. And all of life's other hours are our thanks for them."

Prayer of St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross – Sr. Edith Stein:

"O my God, fill my soul with holy joy, courage and strength to serve You. Enkindle Your love in me and then walk with me along the next stretch of road before me. I do not see very far ahead, but when I have arrived where the horizon now closes down, a new prospect will open before me and I shall meet with peace."

In preparation for worship, I invite everyone to mute as we listen to *Hommage a Edith Stein #2*. https://youtu.be/9bxiSorKWwM?si=Adktm0VFSBaFsTO6

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We will be led by our Leader with our Cantor as the voice of all

Leader and Cantor unmute

The Greeting

Leader: The Grace of the lord Jesus Christ,
and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
be with you all.

All: And also with you.

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Gathering Prayer

Leader:

God sees our hearts and loves us more than we will ever know.

Let us come to him trusting in his mercy and his care.

ALL:

Holy God, you know our hearts and all that has happened in our lives this week. Draw us to yourself, convict us of anything that keeps us from you and transform us by your redeeming love. Amen.

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Sentence

Leader: I now invite our cantor to proclaim the sentence for today.

Cantor:

Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labour for that which does not satisfy? Eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food.

Isaiah 55.2

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Leader: We pray the prayer of approach.

All:

God of love, we come before you, with hearts and minds open to not just be comforted, but to be confronted by you.

All-knowing, all-seeing, ever-present God,

you hold a mirror to our souls.

Amen.

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Our first hymn is

Bread for the World

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Leader mutes

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The Deacon Introduces Confession

God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy, welcoming sinners and inviting them to the Lord's table.

Silence may be kept.

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, confident in God's forgiveness.

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All:
Merciful God, our maker and our judge,
we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,
and in what we have failed to do:
we have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves;
we repent, and are sorry for all our sins.
Father, forgive us. Strengthen us to love and obey you
in newness of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

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The Priest offers the Absolution

Almighty God who has promised forgiveness to all who turn to God in faith; pardon you and set you free from all your sins, strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

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Collect Prayer

Leader:

Living God,
whose Son Jesus fed the hungry
with the bread of his life
and the word of his kingdom:
renew your people with your heavenly grace,
and in all our weakness
sustain us with your true and living bread,
Jesus Christ our Lord;
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Amen

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Leader: I now invite the 1st reader to unmute and offer the 1st lesson when ready.

The 1st Reading is from 2 Samuel 11.26-12.13a

11 26 When the wife of Uriah heard that her husband was dead, she made lamentation for
him. 27 When the mourning was over, David sent and brought her to his house, and she became
his wife, and bore him a son. **12** 1 and the LORD sent Nathan to David. He came to him, and
said to him, 'There were two men in a certain city, one rich and the other poor. 2 The rich man
had very many flocks and herds; 3 but the poor man had nothing but one little ewe lamb, which
he had bought. He brought it up, and it grew up with him and with his children; it used to eat of
his meagre fare, and drink from his cup, and lie in his bosom, and it was like a daughter to
him. 4 Now there came a traveller to the rich man, and he was loath to take one of his own
flock or herd to prepare for the wayfarer who had come to him, but he took the poor man's
lamb, and prepared that for the guest who had come to him.'

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5 Then David's anger was greatly kindled against the man. He said to Nathan, 'As the
LORD lives, the man who has done this deserves to die; 6 he shall restore the lamb fourfold,
because he did this thing, and because he had no pity.' 7 Nathan said to David, 'You are the
man! Thus says the LORD , the God of Israel: I anointed you king over Israel, and I rescued
you from the hand of Saul; 8 I gave you your master's house, and your master's wives into
your bosom, and gave you the house of Israel and of Judah; and if that had been too little, I
would have added as much more. 9 Why have you despised the word of the LORD , to do what
is evil in his sight? You have struck down Uriah the Hittite with the sword, and have taken his
wife to be your wife, and have killed him with the sword of the Ammonites.

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10 Now therefore the sword shall never depart from your house, for you have despised me,
and have taken the wife of Uriah the Hittite to be your wife. **11** Thus says the LORD : I will raise
up trouble against you from within your own house; and I will take your wives before your
eyes, and give them to your neighbour, and he shall lie with your wives in the sight of this very
sun. **12** For you did it secretly; but I will do this thing before all Israel, and before the
sun.' **13** David said to Nathan, 'I have sinned against the LORD .' Nathan said to David, 'Now the
LORD has put away your sin; you shall not die.

For the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

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Leader: We now say the psalm antiphonally,
I invite the first reader to lead, and we will all respond along with our cantor as our voice.

Psalm 51.1-12

1 Have mercy on me, O God, in your enduring goodness:
according to the fulness of your compassion
blot out my offences.
2 Wash me thoroughly from my wickedness:
and cleanse me from my sin.
3 For I acknowledge my rebellion:
and my sin is ever before me.
4 Against you only have I sinned
and done what is evil in your eyes:
so you will be just in your sentence
and blameless in your judging.
5 Surely in wickedness I was brought to birth:
and in sin my mother conceived me.

Continue...

6 You that desire truth in the inward parts:
O teach me wisdom in the secret places of the heart.
7 Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean:
wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.
8 Make me hear of joy and gladness:
let the bones which you have broken rejoice.
9 Hide your face from my sins:
and blot out all my iniquities.
10 Create in me a clean heart, O God:
and renew a right spirit within me.
11 Do not cast me out from your presence:
do not take your holy spirit from me.
12 O give me the gladness of your help again:
and support me with a willing spirit.

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Leader: Thank you, 1st reader, I now invite the 2nd reader to unmute and offer the 2nd lesson when ready.

The 2nd Reading is from Ephesians 4.1-16

1 I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you
have been called,
2 with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love,
3 making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.
4 There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling,
5 one Lord, one faith, one baptism,
6 one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all.
7 But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift.
8 Therefore it is said,
'When he ascended on high he made captivity itself a captive;
he gave gifts to his people.'
9 (When it says, 'He ascended', what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower
parts of the earth?

Continue…

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10 He who descended is the same one who ascended far above all the heavens, so that he might fill all things.)

11 The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers,

12 to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ,

13 until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ.

14 We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people's trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming.

15 But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ,

16 from whom the whole body, joined and knitted together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love.

For the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

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We pause
before the Gospel

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St Mark Chapter 6 beginning at the 24th Verse

All: **Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

24 So when the crowd saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus. **25** When they found him on the other side of the lake, they said to him, 'Rabbi, when did you come here?' **26** Jesus answered them, 'Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. **27** Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal.' **28** Then they said to him, 'What must we do to perform the works of God?' **29** Jesus answered them, 'This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent.'

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30 So they said to him, ‘What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and
believe you? What work are you performing? **31** Our ancestors ate the manna in the
wilderness; as it is written, “He gave them bread from heaven to eat.” ’ **32** Then Jesus said to
them, ‘Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is
my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. **33** For the bread of God is that which
comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.’ **34** They said to him, ‘Sir, give us this
bread always.’ **35** Jesus said to them, ‘I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never
be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.

This is the Gospel of the Lord. *All:* **Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

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We pause
after the Gospel

The Leader and Cantor mute

Sermon

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Leader unmutes

Our next Hymn is

Look around you, can you see? (Kyrie Eleison)

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Leader and Cantor mute

The Leader and Cantor unmute

The Greeting of Peace

We are the body of Christ
All: God's Spirit is with us

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
All: And also with you.

Leader: *A sign of peace may now be exchanged*

You might like to type "Peace" into the chat,
use the 'raise hand' or other reaction buttons,
or just simply wave via screen with your video turned on

(Broadcaster exits shared screen for a few moments for the exchange of peace)

Prayer of Thanksgiving before Intercessions

Leader: As we now enter prayer, I invite the 2nd reader to unmute, to lead our intercessions on the next slide. Please feel free to change your body position if you need to, as we offer this Thanksgiving prayer.

Leader:

Thank you, Father, for stopping us in our tracks
when we are stubbornly plunging into darkness.
You shine your light on our sins, and we are revealed
in all our foulness and foolishness.
Thank you for forgiving us when we truly repent.
We praise you for your love and understanding,
which are beyond our limited comprehension,
and for the generosity of your forgiveness,
so powerful we can hardly take it in.
All praise and thanks be to you, now and forever. **Amen.**

Intercessions

Reader 2: We pray for creation and communities we share our lives with. We pause for a few moments to name either in our hearts, or out loud, or in the chat, those environments and communities we bring to the Lord in prayer.
PAUSE…

We entrust to you the community of Holy Hermits Online and our ministry partners:

- St John's Cathedral Brisbane
- The Anglican Diocese of Southern Queensland
- St Gabriel's Carindale
- Benedictus Contemplative Church
- The Episcopal Diocese of Texas, Canon Joann and the Mission Amplification Team
- St Isidore's Texas, and Rev'd Sean
- Anglican focus
- Tithe.ly

Prosper the work of our hands and show us the way to your new creation.
Creator God, **Hear our prayer.**

Loving Creator, we entrust to you all animals, especially those who are: sick, anxious, ageing, lost, at risk, lonely, sad, hungry, in pain, homeless, abused, living in fear, encountering violence of any kind, in need of comfort, rehabilitation or transformation.

We invite your loving compassion for:
Jasmine,
Leese(y),
Sid and Bobo,
Polly and Meggsie,
Star and Mash,
Lambert,
Ozzy, Timmy and Chupi

We name in our hearts, out loud or in the chat, the animals we bring to the Lord in prayer. **PAUSE…**
We especially thank you for the life of Charlie, who is now at peace with you. We entrust our sister Leonie to your care, and invite your comfort and love to surround her as she mourns.
Creator, **hear our prayer.**

Eternal Trinity of Love, we uphold to you the people we love and carry cares for:

Kerry and Les, Jake,
Dr Julie,
Julie and Ray, Tracey, Shane,
Jess and Leah
George, Wendy, Kristine & Claire
Kirsten, Greg, Daphne & Beau
Gavin

Barry
Dilys and Tony,
Paul and Darhon,
Judy and Mary
Mark, Desley and Bob
Ruth
Kerrie-Anne

Bill and Marjorie
Rev'd Shane & Janette
Alecia, Martin and Aidan,
Shirley
Aaron and Andrea
Neva
Leonie

We name in our hearts, out loud or in the chat, those we bring to the Lord in prayer.

PAUSE…

We entrust to you those who have died, those who have died peacefully and those who have died tragically, the old and the young. Receive them into your kingdom.

Amen.

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Pray Daily Cycle of Prayer

Leader: Loving God, joining with the Church in our cycle of prayer, we ask your blessings on:

- The Anglican Church of Kenya
- The Diocese of Bathurst: †Mark Calder; Clergy and People
- The Parish of Ithaca-Red Hill: Bill Colbrahams
- Mathew Hale Public Library
- Canterbury College, Waterford: Principal - Daniel Walker; Chaplain – Dan Talbot; Chair of College Council – Toni Bache; members of College Council; staff & students

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Leader: Let us join together in the prayer which Jesus gave us saying:

All: Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and for ever.
Amen.

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Devotions

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Leader:

As we enter a few minutes of silence together, you are invited to pray the commitment prayer for the week, EDOT Ministry or spend this time in contemplation.

Leader and Cantor Mute.

Holy Trinity, source of all creativity, mission and pioneering partnerships,

Please encourage and inspire us as we partner with the Episcopal Diocese of Texas and the Mission Amplification Team to establish a mutually successful collaboration with Holy Hermits Online.

We pray that you will provide encouragement to the leaders and organisers of our mission, in the partnership phases which we fluidly move through building foundations, creating resources and experimenting bravely.

We look forward to making new friends and connections over this next exciting time of ministry and outreach together. Please prepare us to open our hearts to our brothers and sisters in Texas and beyond. We especially look forward to welcoming and loving all companion animals across each end of our beautiful world and sharing our Companion Animal and other ministries from our community life.

O God, you have made of one blood all the peoples of the earth and sent your son to preach peace to those who are far off and to those who are near: grant that people everywhere may seek after you and find you in our online communities. Please help us find the remote, the lonely, the sick and the sad that need your help and your heavenly word.

Raise up more people in your worldwide church to pray and to work, to care and to understand, to give to you and to go for you, that your church may grow, your will be done, your kingdom come, and your glory be revealed; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Oh, my Lord Jesus I turn to you present at the Altar and in the Tabernacle. I believe that you are present in the Holy Sacrament of your most Sacred Body and Blood.
I love you above all things and I desire to receive you into my Soul. I cannot at this moment receive you Sacramentally in Holy Communion.
Come spiritually into my heart. Purify it, Sanctify it. Render my heart like your own heart.
I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly with you.
Never permit me to be separated from you.
Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word and I shall be healed.
Amen

Leader unmutes

Our final song is

Longing for Light, We Wait in Darkness

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Leader and cantor unmute

Sending Prayer

Holy Lord, you are just and true. We receive your forgiveness and carry it with us this week.
Give us courage to confront those in power who have forgotten to act with your love and care.
Inspire us to speak in a way that will help them to hear your voice and live according to your love.
Amen.

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The Priest offers the Blessing

The peace of God which passes all understanding keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of God's Son, Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always.

Amen.

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Notices

- Companion Animal Ministry workshop at 11am today!
- Wasting time with God – our story on Wednesday at 9.30am
- Mid-week Study Group continues at 6.00pm

Serving next week: 11 August 2024
Worship Service 9:00 am

Service Prep: Kristine	Tech Support: Kerrie-Anne	First Reader: Paul
Music: Wiggles	Welcomer: Julie	Second Reader: Helen
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Offerings

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Thank you for your regular gifts to this ministry

Leader: I invite everyone to unmute for the Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All: In the name of Christ,

Amen.

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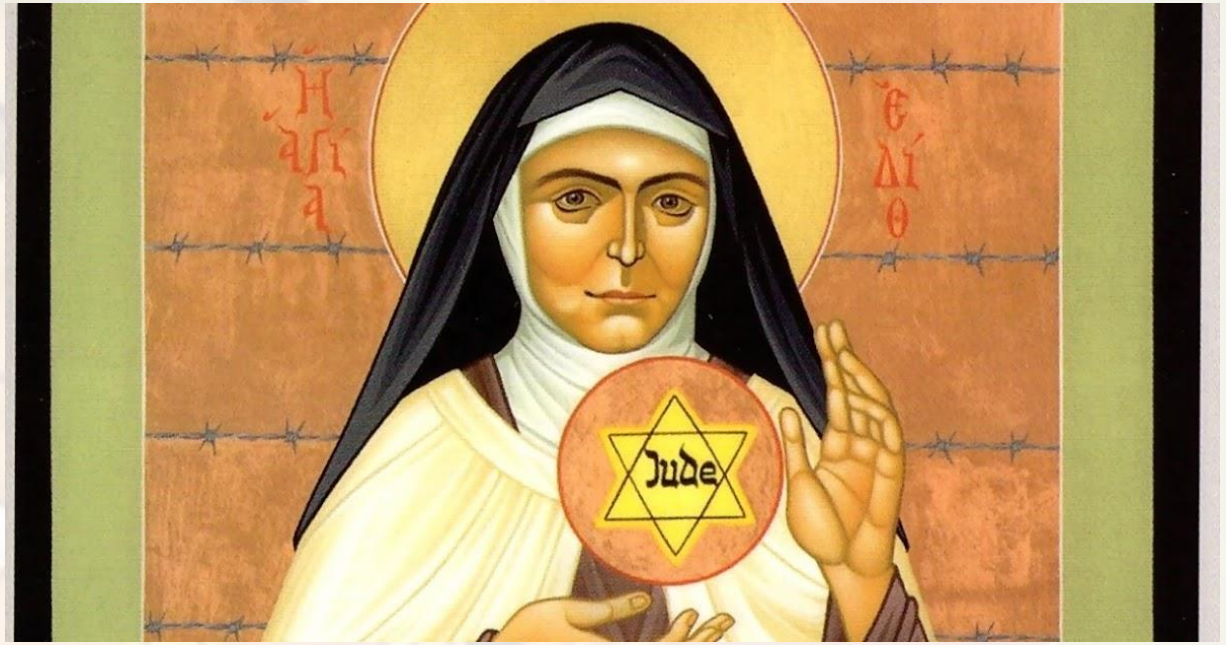
Fellowship Time

Thank you to Jamee, for leading Fellowship.

Please feel welcome to linger or pop a message in the Chat and head off when you are ready.



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