

## Overview of the Life of Luisa Piccarreta

**April 23, 1865:** Luisa's birth and Baptism on Sunday «*in albis*» (exactly 130 years later Pope John Paul II proclaimed this day «Divine Mercy Sunday»).

**April 23, 1874:** At the age of 9 on Sunday «*in albis*» Luisa receives her first Communion and Confirmation. She begins to hear Jesus' voice.

**1878:** At the age of 13, Luisa receives her first vision of Jesus carrying the Cross who implores her, «Soul, help Me»!

**1881:** At the age of 16, Luisa accepts the state of victimhood and is intermittently confined to bed.

**1882:** At the age of 17, Luisa composes the Christmas Novena that she would recite every year for the rest of her life.

**November, 1887:** At the age of 22 Luisa is definitively confined to bed.

**October 16, 1888:** At the age of 23 Luisa experiences her first nuptial of spiritual marriage on earth.

**September 7, 1889:** At the age of 24 Luisa experiences her second nuptial of spiritual marriage in heaven, i.e., the gift of Living in the Divine Will in which Jesus takes possession of Luisa's heart. Several days later the Trinity confirms Luisa and establishes in her heart its divine indwelling.

Undated Entry: Luisa experiences her third nuptial, the spiritual marriage of the Cross.

**February 28, 1899:** At the age of 33 in obedience to her confessor Luisa begins to write.

**November 16, 1900:** At the age of 35 Luisa experiences her fourth nuptial in which she takes possession of Jesus' heart, receives three divine breathes, and embarks on becoming centered in the Divine Will and on possessing it entirely and completely.

**November 12, 1925:** Pope Pius XI institutes the Feast of Christ the King.

**October 7, 1928:** At the age of 63 Luisa moves into the Sisters of the Divine Zeal Orphanage in Corato.

**August 31, 1938:** Three of Luisa's works are placed on the Index of Prohibited Books, beside those of Faustina Kowalska and Antonio Rosmini – all of which were eventually rehabilitated by the Church.

**October 7, 1938:** At the age of 73 Luisa leaves the Sisters of the Divine Zeal Orphanage. Rev. Benedetto Calvi relocates Luisa to Via Magdalena where she would spend her final years.

**December 28, 1938:** Luisa's writes her last volume (the 36th volume).

**March 4, 1947:** After a short bout with pneumonia — the only diagnosable illness of her life — Luisa Piccarreta dies.

**November 20, 1994:** Opening of Luisa's Cause for Beatification; she receives the title Servant of God.

**October 29, 2005:** Luisa's Cause of Beatification concludes its diocesan *iter*.