

# St. Teresa of Calcutta

Feast: September 5

Patronage: World Youth Day,  
the Missionaries of Charity, and  
co-patron of the Archdiocese of  
Calcutta

"Be faithful in small things because it is  
in them that your strength lies.

-St. Teresa of Calcutta

On September 10, 1946, while traveling on a train from Calcutta to Darjeeling for her yearly break, something special happened to Mother Teresa. She felt something deep inside her, like a strong message from Jesus. It was as if Jesus wanted more love and more people to know about him, and this feeling became the most important thing for her. It made her want to help people and love them just like Jesus did.

Mother Teresa's "Flying Novena" is also known as her famous "Emergency Novena". It involves praying the Memorare prayer in succession for nine days, with the intention of receiving a quick response from the Virgin Mary.

