



### **Blessed Imelda**

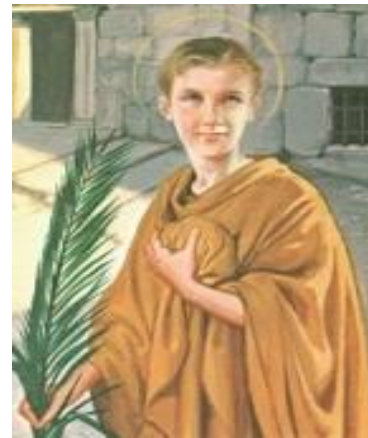
As a young girl Blessed Imelda went to live with the Dominican Nuns. At that time you couldn't receive first Holy Communion until you were much older. Imelda desperately wanted permission to receive Jesus in Holy Communion. One day, while she was kneeling in prayer, the tabernacle door opened and Jesus present in the Eucharist floated down to her and she received her First Holy Communion.



### **Sts. Francisco and Jacinta Marto**

An Angel of Peace appeared to Francisco (8yrs) and Jacinta (6yrs) in Portugal. He gave them Holy Communion and taught them this prayer:

"O Most Holy Trinity, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, I adore You profoundly. I offer You the most precious Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus Christ, present in all the tabernacles of the world, in reparation for the outrages, sacrileges and indifferences by which He is offended. By the infinite merits of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I beg the conversion of poor sinners."



### **St. Tarcisus**

St. Tarcisus was a young altar server from the 3<sup>rd</sup> century. He volunteered to take Holy Communion to those who were in prison for being Christian. (This was a crime a long time ago). On his way to the prison, some other boys saw Tarcisus carrying something close to his heart. They wanted to take Jesus in the Eucharist away from him but Tarcisus shielded the Eucharist with his body even while the others hurt him badly.



### **St. Thérèse**

St. Thérèse of Lisieux grew up to become one of the most well-known Saints for her teaching on the "Little Way" of loving Jesus. She wrote about her first Holy Communion: "How lovely it was, that first kiss of Jesus in my heart — it was truly a kiss of love. I knew that I was loved and said, "I love You, and I give myself to You forever. [...] We were no longer two, for Thérèse had disappeared like a drop of water lost in the mighty ocean. Jesus alone remained."