

## Saint of the Week for November 12, 2017:

Memorial: November 17

Interesting Fact: This saint was the daughter of the King of Hungary, yet she chose to live a simple life and to serve the poor people she came across.

### Profile:

- At the age of 14, she married Louis of Thuringia, and gave birth to three children.
- Under the spiritual direction of a Franciscan friar, she led a life of prayer, sacrifice, and service to the poor and sick (she chose to wear simple clothing).
- Daily she would take bread to hundreds of the poorest people who came to the palace gate.
- After six years of marriage, her husband died in the Crusades, which caused her to experience much grief. Her husband's family looked upon her as squandering the royal purse, and mistreated her, finally throwing her out of the palace.
- The return of her husband's allies from the Crusades resulted in her being reinstated, since their son was legal heir to the throne.
- In 1228, she joined the Secular Franciscan Order, spending the remaining few years of her life caring for the poor in a hospital which she founded in honor of Saint Francis.



Born: approximately 1207

Died: After several years of declining health, she died before her 24th birthday on November 17, 1231.

Canonized: Because of her great popularity, she was canonized in 1235.

## Who am I?

Resources: <https://www.franciscanmedia.org>