

## St Therese of Lisieux 1873-1897

A Carmelite monastery was founded in Phnom Penh in 1919 by the Saigon Carmel (which was founded in 1861 by Sister Philomene of the Lisieux Carmel). St Therese hoped to join the Hanoi Carmel, also founded by the Saigon Carmel, but was prevented due to poor health.

The sisters of Phnom Penh were forced to flee the Khmer Rouge in 1975, but in October 2000 a new Carmelite monastery was dedicated in the city.



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## Prayer to St Therese of Lisieux

O Little Therese of the Child Jesus

Please pick for me a rose  
from the heavenly garden  
and send it to me  
as a message of love.

O Little Flower of Jesus,  
ask God to grant the favors  
I now place with confidence  
in you hands

(mention your special prayer request  
here)

St. Therese, help me to always  
believe

as you did, in God's great love for me,  
so that I may imitate your "Little  
Way" each day.

Amen