# PRAYERFUL MOMENT WITH TERESA MIRA

Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Tribulation, or anguish, or persecution, or hunger, or nakedness, or danger, or sword? As it is written: For your sake we are dead all the time; We are counted as slaughter sheep. But, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us (Rom. 8:35-37).

This **September 26** our sister **Teresa Mira, servant of God,** will be on her birthday. Occasion in which by approaching her we can unite our hearts to praise Christ- Church, who walks with us as he did with her.



#### \* SONG TO THE HOLY SPIRIT OF YOUR CHOICE

Her seemingly simple life could surprise us as we delve into the ecclesial mystery of her life. This time let's follow Teresa at a crucial moment in her existence: the Spanish Civil War. Fr. Francisco Martínez tells us:

On one occasion I know that Sister Teresa went on behalf of the "persecuted Church" to a flat in Alicante where Canon Don José Cilleros and another named Díaz, gave a retreat to convey encouragement to the priests and faithful persecuted [...].

I know that Sr. Teresa was very happy to have fulfilled that ecclesial mission. It was at that time (Spanish Civil War, 1936-1939) the means of union between priests and faithful and, once my aunts enjoyed saying that I was the vicarage of the parishioners. (Positio, p. 54)

Contemplate Teresa who, in times of such danger, dares to represent the persecuted Church at the risk of death and ask her, what impelled her to do so, what inhabited her heart. Take your time.

# \* BACKGROUND MUSIC

Teresa attentive to the call of the persecuted Church of her time, assumes to walk alongside her. Rooted in a deep spirituality, she seeks and dares to respond to that call by overcoming fear and excessive prudence to be a spokesman for the silenced Church. Today too the Church suffers open persecution as in Nicaragua, Ukraine, Nigeria, Afghanistan, Yemen, Haiti, Myanmar and overlapping in so many other nations. Let us ask ourselves what we can do to respond to this cry? Do you hear it? What does it invite you to?

#### \* BACKGROUND MUSIC

Let us turn our eyes to Jesus and beg for strength for the persecuted Church and ask that, like Teresa, he gives us the value of prophecy. With the confidence of knowing that we have been heard let us present our requests:

## \* SPONTANEOUS REQUESTS

\* OUR FATHER

## 🔆 SONG: GIVE ME YOUR EYES.... (MARCELA GÅNDARA)

Let us end our moment of encounter with Teresa by praying:

### PRAYER TO TERESA MIRA

O God, that indulge in humble and simple souls. Glorify your Servant Teresa who made it ideal of her life to love you without ostentation and give herself for your love to those who encountered her, grant us that we know how to serve you and love you like her, without reservations, and now the grace that we ask you through her intercession.