

Recommended Books

Holy Daring – The Fearless Trust of St. Therese of Lisieux by John Udris. It's a quick and easy read but very potent in my opinion. It costs \$11.95 and is put out by Pauline Books and Media. I highly recommend it for anyone wanting to grow in prayer. Veritas Book store in Dayton, at 5524 Burkhardt Rd, Phone 937-258-1956 is ordering more since I bought the last copies. (*Recommended by Frances*)

Everything is Grace by Father Joseph Schmidt. Father Joseph writes of St. Therese's spirituality in such a way that it speaks to your heart of the true simplicity of Christian perfection. In the eyes of St. Therese, everything is a grace - in accepting all that the Lord deigns to send her in the day to day ordinariness of life, in accepting and giving to God her weaknesses, faults and struggles, in thanking God for her gifts, strengths and blessings, absolutely EVERYTHING was a grace. It's easy to talk about - but another thing to live and en flesh in our daily lives. What a beautiful companion and friend we have in Therese. She heroically walked the way of trust, confidence, surrender and she teaches and invites us to do the same. (*From <http://www.beautyofcarmel.org>*)

Story of a Soul: The Autobiography of St. Therese of Lisieux, third edition, translated from the Original Manuscripts by John Clarke OCD. This treasured autobiography of one of the Church's most beloved daughters, and Doctor of the Church, is a classic of Catholic spirituality. In it the young Carmelite Therese of Lisieux reveals her soul and its little way; its struggles and joys, as well as presenting some of the Church's most beautiful doctrine on the merciful love of God. Her journey to and life in Carmel is an inspiration for all who are discerning a vocation to the religious life. Certainly a must read! Available from ICS Publications, Washington DC.