



# **BLESSED ENRICHETTA ALFIERI**

**Sister of Charity  
of Saint Jeanne  
Antide Thouret**

*«I was in prison and  
you visited me...»*

*Mt 25 : 36.*



«Lord... I take on the hearts of all people: I offer them to You so that You may transform them and they may praise You»

*Sister Enrichetta,  
October 1944.*

«Nothing of what was part of our world, of our problems, of our worries, of our uncertainties, was unknown to her...»

*Witness  
of a prisoner, 1946.*

## *A simple life, a listening heart.*

Maria Angela Domenica was born in Borgo Vercelli, on 23rd February 1891, in a very devout Christian family. On 20th December 1911, she joins the Sisters of Charity of Saint Jeanne Antide Thouret. She was 28 years old when a serious illness makes her bedridden with great physical and moral pain. On 25th February 1923, after participating, on a stretcher, to her first pilgrimage to Lourdes, she was miraculously healed, through the intercession of Our Lady. Sister Enrichetta was sent to the community of the Prison of San Vittore in Milan. Her mission, among the prisoners, was marked by a courageous and creative charity manifested especially during the tragic years of the Resistance (1943-1945), when she was also arrested and imprisoned. Called the Mum and the Angel of San Vittore, with her smile she brought the light and warmth of God's Love to all those she met Inside and outside the prison, until her death on 23rd November 1951. Pope Benedict XVI declared her Venerable Servant of God on December 2010 and Blessed on 2nd April 2011.

