



Bl. Giuliana of Collalto

Born: 1186 in Collalto, Susegana, Treviso, Italy

Died: 1 September 1262 at Venice, Italy of natural causes, buried in the cemetery of the San Biagio church of the Spinalonga convent, the location of her grave was lost, but in 1297 dozens of small flaming torches were seen to hover over it; her body found to be incorrupt, relics enshrined in a wooden sarcophagus in the church altar in 1733, relics moved to the church of the Redeemer in Venice in 1810, relics moved to the Saint Anne chapel at the parish church of Saint Euphemia in Venice in 1820, the original wooden sarcophagus is on exhibit in the Museo Correr in Venice, some relics enshrined in a church in Collalto, Italy

Born to the Italian nobility, the daughter of Count Rambaldo VI and Countess Giovanna of Sant'Angelo of Mantua. She received a Christian education, and at age 12, she entered the Benedictine convent of Santa Margherita di Salarola near Calaone, Italy. There she became a friend of Blessed Beatrix of Este the Elder who entered the convent in 1220. Founded a Benedictine convent on Spinalonga (modern Giudecca) off Venice, Italy, and served as its abbess. Known for her charity and care for the local poor. Late in life she began suffering from severe headaches, possibly migraines, which led to her patronage of others who do.

Blessed Giuliana was reported to be a miracle worker, including instantly healing the shattered broken arm of one of her nuns by praying over her, she went to the prison cell of an innocent man, opened the prison doors and removed all his chains simply by praying over them, one Christmas night a severe storm kept the local priest from reaching the convent, Giuliana prayed about the problem; an angel carrying the Christ child appeared to the nuns, announcing the birth of Jesus.