



## St. Elzear

**Born:** 1285 at Ansouis, Provence, France

**Died:** 27 September 1323 in Paris, France of natural causes, buried next to Blessed Delphine at Apt, France

**Canonized:** 1369 by Pope Urban V

**Patronage:** tertiaries, Ariano Irpino-Lacedonia, Italy

Born to the nobility. Nephew of William of Sabron, abbot of Saint Victor's abbey, Marseilles, France, where Elzear was educated. Franciscan tertiary. Married to Saint Delphina at age 16, with whom he lived chastely the rest of his life. Count of Ariano in Naples, Italy upon his father's death. Uncle and godfather of Pope Urban V. Tutor to the son of King Robert of Naples in 1317. Diplomat for King Robert. Died while on a trip to arrange a marriage for Prince Charles. Known especially for his happy, loving, Christian marriage and his deep personal prayer life.