

Birgitta of Vadstena

Birgitta Birgersdaughter was living in a really rich and important family in uppland.

Her father was a lawman and her mother Ingerborg was a really distinguished lady.

When Birgitta was 11 years old she had her first revelation. She was sitting on her bed and looking at Jesus at the cross. She could see in his eyes that he had pain.

-Who did this to you? She suddenly asked Jesus.

-Those who have forgotten me and don't care about my love, they have done this to me, answered Jesus.

The revelation just stayed for a few seconds but Birgitta should remember it for all time.

Just a couple of months later her mother died and her father decided that she and her sister were going to move to their aunt Katarina. Katarina was a strict lady.

One night she found Birgitta on her knees on the floor.

-What are you doing? Asked her aunt.

-I'm just thanking him. Answered she

-WHO? Screamed her aunt

-It's Jesus Christ I want to thank, he was crucified for us.

Katarina went so choked that she lost her wits.

Birgitta lived at her aunt in two years.

Birgitta was just thirteen years old when she got married with a man that she chose by her own.

Birgitta didn't want to get married, she wanted to become a nun and live in a convent.

The man that Birgitta was going to marry was named Ulf.

Ulf was five years older than Birgitta.

Sometimes they had trouble understanding each other because they were so different.

The years went by and they learned to like each other.

Birgitta and Ulf had eight children together, four girls and four boys.

Birgitta was a stubborn lady but even if she had to listen to Ulf sometimes but sometimes she got what she wanted.

She created a hospital.

There she helped the poor and the sick people.

When thief had got their punishment Birgitta helped them and try to make them to better people.

When Birgitta was forty-one years Ulf died, She moved in to a guest house at Alvastra monastery there she lived in five years.

Birgitta was praying a lot and had a lot of visions.

In the beginning she was uncertain if the visions only ware fantasy.

The revelations ware a lot different time to time.

Sometimes they ware about people that just past away and sometimes about Sweden.

The revelation that was most important was probably that one when she got a vision to build a new monastery.

Year 1349 Birgitta went out on a journey to Rom to meet the pope that had to approve the new monastery.

Birgitta was traveling throw a lot of countries that have been affects of the big deices "plague" but she did make it to Rom.

There she lived in twenty-five years, until she died.

The pope lived in Avigon, But Birgitta had got a vision that the pope would come to Rom.

So she waited and waited.

Year 1370 the pope Urban V to Rom and accept her order.

After that and to Birgittas disappointment the popes return to Avigon.

Birgitta gaved distinct explanations how she wanted the monastery, but she sew it never because she died.

Birgitta was living in 1303-1373.

Birgitta is Swedens only real saint.

1999 she became protectionsaint for the whole Europe.