

# St. Hedwig

St. Hedwig, daughter of the duke of Croatia, was born in Bavaria in 1174. She married Prince Henry I of Silesia and Poland when she was just 12 years old and went on to have seven children. She is the aunt of St. Elizabeth of Hungary. The saint founded hospitals and cared for the sick. After her husband died, she gave away her money and entered a monastery. She died in 1243. St. Hedwig is patron saint of brides, widows and difficult marriages.