Thought for the day – Wednesday 14th July 2021

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Hildegarde again 1098-1179

Maggie and I liked to travel in the Rhine Valley – we would stop opposite the station in Remagen at the very friendly Hotel Pinger. One place we would go near to would be Bingen – in fact we crossed the Rhine near there on a ferry and went to one of our first Christmas shops.

Hildegarde became a nun at 18 she had visions and wrote songs. She was an accomplished scholar.

Here are some of her prayers.

Prayers of Hildegarde

The Love that gives love Jesus Christ, the love that gives love, You are higher than the highest star You are deeper than the deepest sea; You cherish us as your own family You embrace us as your own spouse; You rule over us as your own subjects You welcome us as your dearest friends Let all the world worship you.

The Life that gives life

Holy Spirit, the life that gives lifeYou are the cause of all movement;You are the breath of all creation.You are the salve that purifies our souls,You are the ointment that heals our wounds.

You are the fire that warms our hearts You are the light that guides our feet. Let all the world praise you.

The Fount book of prayer Ed Robert Van de Weyer Harper Collins