

tradition. The Feast is universally celebrated with great splendor, and devoted children of Mary should pray earnestly that it will be defined soon.

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## DESIRE

CAMILLUS LILLIE, O.P.

Flame of my heart, two-tongued, but one,  
 That sheds across dark path of life  
     Both light and shadows:

O quivering Tongue, so aspen-like  
 In softest breeze; like mortal frame  
     When death is near:

Your every breath is warm and sweet;  
 Yet embered fount, red coal, turns pale  
     When left unstirred:

Your life on tears, salt-oil, depends,  
 On them grows bright, climbs high; yet dies  
     When fed with smiles.

O strange Desire! How can you live  
 Adverse to all, and quaintly feed  
     On contradictions?