

ST NICHOLAS EVE: A SOUL IN TORMENT

Elizabeth is the Mary's first cousin, once removed. She is old enough to be a grandmother but is now pregnant with her first child, after a lifetime of longing for one.

CAROL

The first time? You've never been pregnant before?

ELIZABETH

I have not. I spent years trying, so many years, all while it seemed everyone around me was being blessed with beautiful children, like when Mary here was born to my cousin Anne. God saw how I struggled to be happy for them while, internally, all I wanted was to experience that for myself. And then old age took the last bit of hope that I ever would.