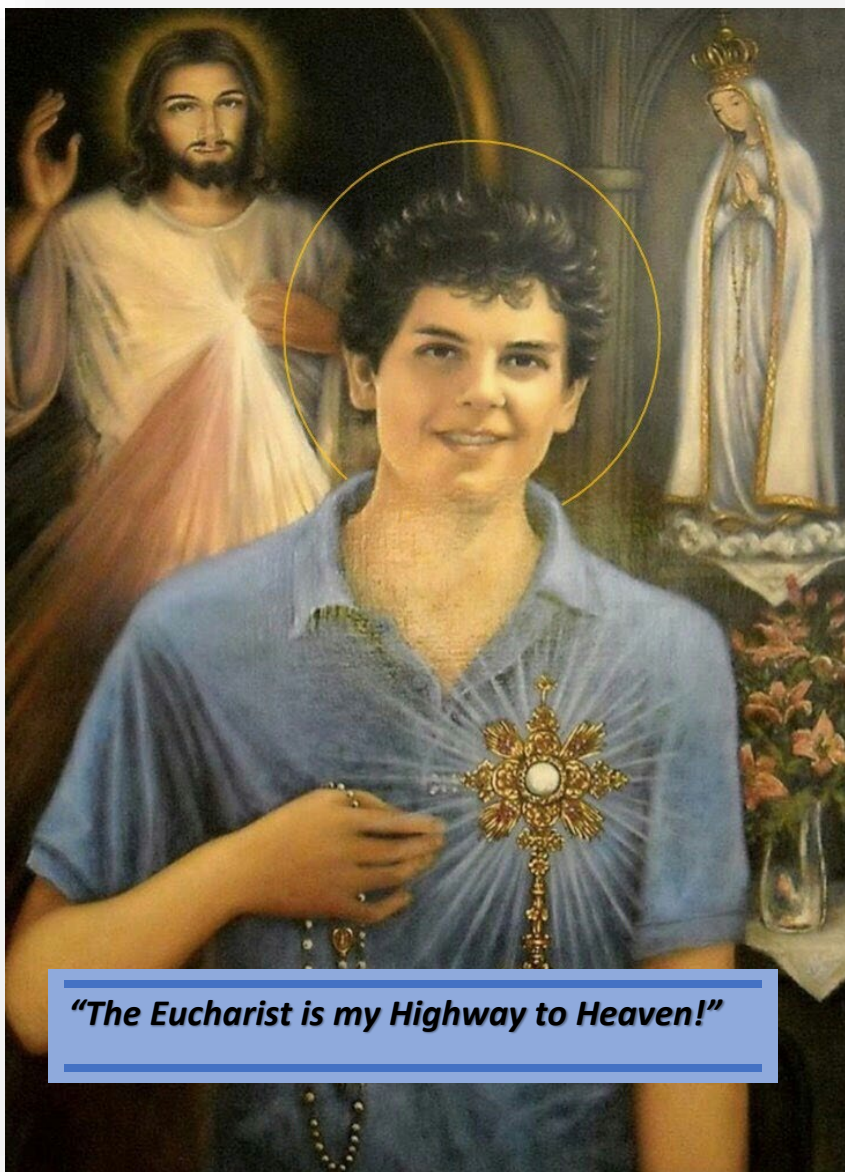


Novena to Blessed Carlo Acutis

October 4-12th



"The Eucharist is my Highway to Heaven!"

Blessed Carlo Acutis' Story

Born in London and raised in Milan, Carlo's wealthy parents were not particularly religious. Upon receiving his first Communion at age seven, Carlo became a daily communicant, making a point of praying before the tabernacle before or after every Mass. During the Summer, however, Carlo would spend much more time with His beloved Jesus before the tabernacle. In addition to St. Francis of Assisi and St. Anthony of Padua, Carlo took several of the younger saints as his models, including Bernadette Soubirous, Jacinta and Francisco Marto and Dominic Savio.

At school, Carlo tried to comfort friends whose parents were undergoing divorce, as well as stepping in to defend disabled students from bullies. After school hours he volunteered his time with the city's homeless and destitute. Considered a computer geek by some, Carlo spent four years creating a website dedicaed to cataloguing every reported Eucharistic miracle around the world that had been recognized by the Church. He also enjoyed films, comics, soccer and playing popular video games. When playing video games which he loved to do, Carlo practiced the virtue of temperence and only allowed himself to play these games for one hour a week.

Diagnosed with leukemia at the age of 15, Carlo offered his sufferings to God for the intentions of the sitting Pope—Benedict XVI—and the entire Church. *"I offer all the suffering I will have to suffer for the Lord, for the Pope and the Church."* Carlo spoke these words in the final hours of his life when he suffered great pain. His longtime desire to visit as many sites of Eucharistic miracles as possible was cut short by his illness. Carlo died in 2006 and was beatified on October 10, 2020. Since the death of Carlo, his Eucharistic Miracles exhibition has spread far and wide throughout the world—touching the hearts of many people and bringing them to a closer relationship with Jesus in the Eucharist!

Novena to Carlo Acutis to be prayed for nine days

Let us begin, In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Dear Father,

Who has given us the ardent testimony of the young Blessed, Carlo Acutis, who made the Eucharist the core of his life and strength of his daily commitments so that everybody may love You above all else, let him soon be counted among the Saints in your Church.

Confirm my faith, nurture my Hope, strengthen my Charity in the image of young Carlo, who, growing in these virtues, now lives with You.

(Mention your request here...)

I trust in You, Father, and your Beloved Son Jesus, in the Virgin Mary, our Dearest Mother, and in the intervention of your beloved Servant, Carlo Acutis.

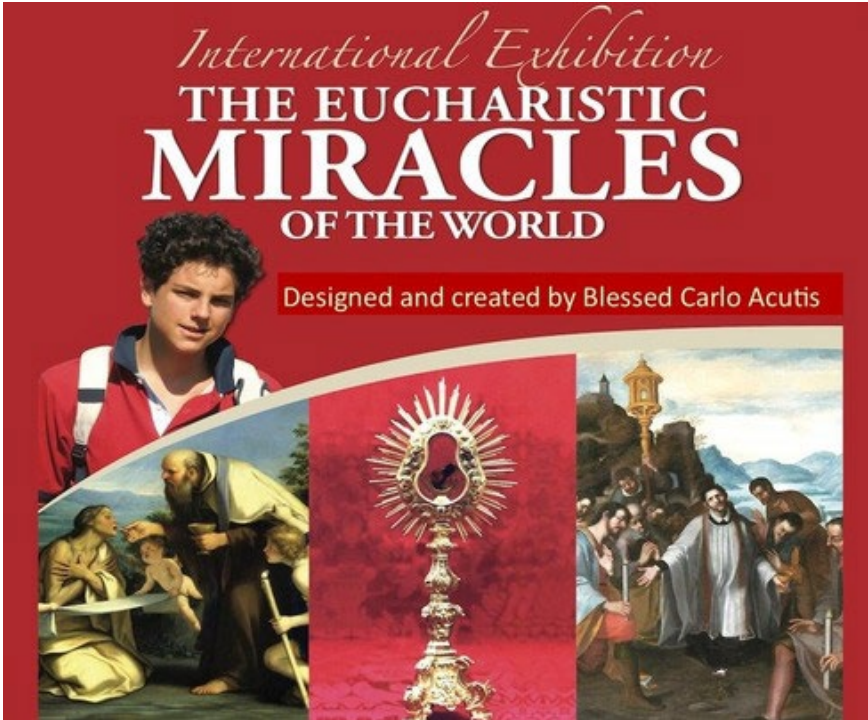
“To Always be close to Jesus, that’s my life plan.”

“The Sacrament of the Eucharist: My Highway to Heaven.”

Blessed Carlo Acutis, pray for us!

Say: 1 Our Father, 1 Hail Mary, 1 Glory Be

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