

Eucharistic Congress 2024: Communion to Heal the World

Matthew: 23.8

A pre-Congress Youth Night event will take place at Saint Agnes Church on Mumford Road. This night is aimed specifically at youth

and young adults from ages 14-35. The evening will include prayer, music, a talk on the Eucharist by Fr. Tim Divine and Adoration. There will be food! As an added bonus, they will welcome for the first time to Canada the relic of **Blessed Carlo Acutis**, often dubbed the Millennial Saint. The event is free but to help the team plan they ask youth and young adults to REGISTER for the Youth Night. To register, visit www.halifaxyarmouth.org/congress2024.

Carlo Acutis was born May 3, 1991, in London, England. Just a few months later, he moved with his parents, Andrea Acutis and Antonia Salzano, to Milan, Italy. From a young age, Carlo had a special love for God, even though his parents weren't especially devout. As a young child, Carlo loved to pray the rosary. After he made his First Communion, he went to Mass as often as possible at the parish across from his elementary school. For him, the **Eucharist was the centre of his life**.

Carlo's witness of faith as a child led adults to convert and be baptized. Carlo had a love and concern for the poor. Carlo wasn't afraid to defend Church teaching, even in situations when his classmates disagreed with him. Carlo was a faithful friend. He was known for standing up for kids at school who got bullied, especially kids with disabilities.

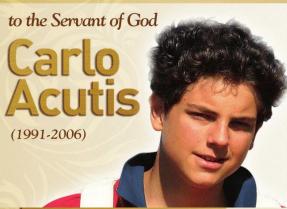
Carlo was fascinated with computer coding and taught himself some of the basic coding languages. He used his computer skills and internet savvy to help his family put together an exhibition on Eucharistic miracles that has gone on to be displayed at thousands of parishes on five continents. Carlo was personally convinced that the **scientific evidence** from **Eucharistic miracles** would help people to realize that Jesus is really present in the Eucharist and come back to Mass.

Carlo loved playing video games. He had conversations with his gaming buddies about the importance of going to Mass and confession and limited his video game playing to no more than two hours per week.

Carlo was **diagnosed with leukemia** and died on October 12, 2006. He was buried in Assisi. He was beatified in October 2020 and is set to be canonized.

"The more Eucharist we receive, the more we become like Jesus so that on this earth we will have the foretaste of Heaven." Carlo

Official Prayer and Novena



Opening Prayer

Most Holy Trinity, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, I thank you for all the grace and favours with which you enriched the soul of the Servant of God Carlo Acutis during his 15 years on this earth. Through the merits of this Angel of Youth, grant me the grace which I earnestly seek (Ask the grace which you seek).

First Day Meditation:

"Not me, but God"

Servant of God, Carlo Acutis, you who made your life a continual renunciation and setting aside of unimportant things, give me the grace to seek heavenly things and despise that which is transient. Amen. Pray five "Our Fathers", five "Hail Marys" and five "Glory Be to the Fathers" to give thanks to God for the grace granted to Carlo in the 15 years of his earthly life.

Second day Meditation:

"Always to be united with Jesus, that is my life's programme."

Servant of God, Carlo Acutis, you who have lived in the heart of Jesus, give me the grace to apply Jesus's plan of love to everything. Amen.

Pray five "Our Fathers", five "Hail Marys" and five "Glory Be to the Fathers" to give thanks to God for the grace granted to Carlo in the 15 years of his earthly life.

Third day Meditation:

"Continuously ask your Guardian Angel for help. Your Guardian Angel has to become your best friend."

Servant of God, Carlo Acutis, you who saw the company of Holy Angels while you were already in this world, give me the Grace to live righteously, as my Guardian Angel desires. Amen.

Pray five "Our Fathers", five "Hail Marys" and five "Glory Be to the Fathers" to give thanks to God for the grace granted to Carlo in the 15 years of his earthly life.

Fourth day Meditation:

"Our soul is like a hot-air balloon... If by chance there is a mortal sin, the soul falls to the ground. Confession is like the fire underneath the balloon enabling the soul to rise again... It is important to go to confession often." Servant of God Carlo Acutis, you who have lived this sacrament of reconciliation so well, give me the grace constantly to seek confession and the grace of a deep contrition. Amen.

Pray five "Our Fathers", five "Hail Marys" and five "Glory Be to the Fathers" to give thanks to God for the grace granted to Carlo in the 15 years of his earthly life.

Fifth day Meditation:

"Sadness is looking at ourselves, happiness is looking towards God."

Servant of God, Carlo Acutis, you who have never looked away from your great love, Jesus, give me the grace also to live with this happiness in this world. Amen. Pray five "Our Fathers", five "Hail Marys" and five "Glory Be to the Fathers" to give thanks to God for the grace granted to Carlo in the 15 years of his earthly life.

Sixth Day Meditation

"The only thing we have to ask God for, in prayer, is the desire to be holy."

Servant of God, Carlo Acutis, you who have always asked God for what is essential, give me the grace of a deep desire for Heaven. Amen.

Pray five "Our Fathers", five "Hail Marys" and five "Glory Be to the Fathers" to give thanks to God for the grace granted to Carlo in the 15 years of his earthly life.

Seventh Day Meditation:

"The Virgin Mary is the only Woman in my life."

Servant of God, Carlo Acutis, you who loved the Virgin Mary above all women, give me the grace to respond to her kind and good love. Amen.

Pray five "Our Fathers", five "Hail Marys" and five "Glory Be to the Fathers" to give thanks to God for the grace granted to Carlo in the 15 years of his earthly life.

Eiahth Day Meditation:

"The Eucharist is my highway to Heaven" Servant of God, Carlo Acutis, you who have always looked for your hidden Jesus in the Tabernacle, give me the grace of a deep fervour for the Eucharist. Amen. Pray five "Our Fathers", five "Hail Marys" and five "Glory Be to the Fathers" to give thanks to God for the grace granted to Carlo in the 15 years of his earthly life.

Ninth Day Meditation

"I am happy to die because I have lived my life without wasting a minute on those things which do not please God."

Servant of God, Carlo Acutis, give me that grace of graces – perseverance to the end and a saintly death. Amen. Pray five "Our Fathers", five "Hail Marys" and five "Glory Be to the Fathers" to give thanks to God for the grace granted to Carlo in the 15 years of his earthly life.

Final Prayer

Almighty God, Father of Mercy, raiseyour Servant Carlo Acutis to the glory of the altars, so that through him you will be even more glorified. Give us the honour of calling him "Blessed", for he lived Your Will in all things. And through his merit, give me the grace that I so ardently desire. Amen

To request images or material about Carlo, which will be sent free of charge, please send an email or letter to the following address:

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