## **BLESSED CARLO ACUTIS**

Born May 3, 1991; Birth into Heaven October 12, 2006 Blessed on October 10, 2020; Feast day October 12





Millennial Saint. He is being called the Patron Saint of the Youth and of the Internet. We would like to tell you more about him so you and your children can pray to Carlo for his intercession and protection for our youth.

Blessed Carlo was born into an Italian family. He lived in Milan, Italy, After

receiving his First Holy Communion, at the age of seven, he was on fire with the love of God. He went to daily Mass, reconciliation weekly, and he strived to see JESUS in the Holy Eucharist either before Mass or after Mass.

Why do you think Carlo went to visit JESUS so much? He had said; "Find God and your life will make sense." Carlo had found God, the Real Presence of JESUS, the King of Love, in the Eucharist. His life made sense to him and he wanted to be as close to JESUS as he could, Best Friends.

Carlo died at the age of 15 from a rare form of Leukemia on October 12, 2006. His body is on display at the Church of St. Mary Major in Assisi. During his life he said that: "Your time is limited, so don't waste it living the life of someone else." And he didn't waste any of his short time here.

He loved JESUS, his Catholic Faith, his family and his friends. He was deeply devoted to the Blessed Mother and honored his Guardian Angel. His life here shows us how to live life in the moment with God's love, which gives meaning to everything we do and experience: love, rejection, joy, pain, suffering, and even death.

Carlo was a normal kid. He enjoyed being with his friends and just hanging out. He loved the outdoors and walking his dogs. He also loved to play soccer. He had a PlayStation and loved to play video games but he didn't want to be consumed by them. He only allowed himself one hour a week.

Carlo had a very tender heart for others. Especially, he responded to the poor, the unfortunate, and the disabled. He would volunteer at soup kitchens and with his savings, he would buy sleeping bags for the homeless. He was also very concerned about those bullied at school, who were ignored or mistreated and he would defend them.

One of God's gifts to Carlo was computer skills. He taught himself how to build websites and he wrote computer programs at a very young age. He wanted to use his computer skills to Glorify God and help others to become Holy. He even created his own cartoon to help others believe in the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist.

Based on his Faith life, he put together a "Holiness kit". He taught the kids in his classes with this "Holiness Kit" so they could also grow in Holiness. His mother Antonia called him an "influencer for God." Carlo only wanted to do things to please God and never for himself. He said, "not for the love of oneself but for the Glory of God."

Carlo loved JESUS, especially in the Eucharist. He said, "JESUS is my Great Friend, and the Eucharist is my highway to heaven." He wanted others to be close to JESUS and to go to heaven. He knew that the closer we are to JESUS here on earth, the closer we will be to Him in heaven.

To help others get closer to JESUS in the Eucharist, Carlo started creating a website at the age of 11 on Eucharistic Miracles from all over the world and finished about a year before his death. He is best known for this website. To learn more about Blessed Carlo Acutis and the Vatican approved Eucharistic Miracles of the world go to carloacutis.com and carloacutis-en.org

