

Diocese of Assisi - Nocera Umbra - Gualdo Tadino Diocesan Curia

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A RELIC OF BLESSED CARLO ACUTIS IN IRELAND

ASSISI – "We are happy that a relic of Blessed Carlo Acutis can reach Ireland because we are convinced, given previous experiences, that devotion to this young man, who lived according to the Gospel, is an example and a help to the Church and to the many young people who are seeking points of reference to grasp the beauty of faith". The words of the Bishop of the Diocese of Assisi - Nocera Umbra - Gualdo Tadino and Foligno, Archbishop Domenico Sorrentino, in preparation for the pilgrimage of the relic of the young man, scheduled from 11 to 15 June in the Primatial See of Armagh and in the Diocese of Down and Connor. Accompanying the fragment of the pericardium, the membrane that protected his heart, will be Monsignor Anthony Figueiredo, head of International Relations. Blessed Carlo Acutis, who celebrates his 32nd birthday today (May 3th) and died of leukemia at just 15 in 2006, focused his life on the Eucharist in order to grow in his relationship with Jesus: "The more we receive the Eucharist", he said, "the more we will become like Jesus". Carlo tried to attend Mass every day and spend time in Adoration, believing that "when we put ourselves before Jesus in the Eucharist, we become saints". The relic of Blessed Carlo Acutis has already travelled last year throughout the United States, then in November 2022 in Poland and recently in the Patriarchate of Venice. This summer, after World Youth Day in Lisbon of which Carlo is a patron, the relic will begin a journey through the Dioceses of Brazil.

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