



Diocese of Assisi - Nocera Umbra - Gualdo Tadino
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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 four more Dioceses in 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 continuing pilgrimage of the relic of the first millennial Blessed, Carlo Acutis, from 13 to 18 September – in the Cathedral Churches of Derry (September 14) and Dromore (September 17), the International Eucharistic and Marian Shrine of Knock in the Archdiocese of Tuam (September 15), and St. Ann's Church in the Diocese of Elphin for the Abide Eucharistic Conference (September 16). Accompanying the fragment of the pericardium relic, the membrane that protected his heart, will be Archbishop Sorrentino, Monsignor Anthony Figueiredo, head of International Relations.

Blessed Carlo Acutis, the kid died of leukaemia at just 15 in 2006, and had a passion for holiness, focusing 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 June to the Archdiocese of Armagh and the Diocese of Down and Connor. In August, thousands of young people venerated it at World Youth Day in Lisbon, where Blessed Carlo was one of the Patrons.

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