

## Diocese of Assisi - Nocera Umbra - Gualdo Tadino Diocesan Curia

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## The archdiocese of Dublin requested it; pilgrimage from 24 to 27 November A RELIC OF BLESSED CARLO ACUTIS IN IRELAND

**ASSISI** – "What a blessing it is for the pericardium heart relic of Blessed Carlo Acutis to be welcomed in the Archdiocese of Dublin, the capital of the Republic of Ireland! This first millennium Blessed, who follows in the footsteps of Saint Francis of Assisi, is an invitation to all, especially the young and families, not to waste life, but to make of it a masterpiece." The words of the Bishop of the Diocese of Assisi - Nocera Umbra - Gualdo Tadino and of Foligno, Archbishop Domenico Sorrentino, in preparation for the continuing pilgrimage of the relic of the first millennial Blessed, Carlo Acutis, from 24 to 27 November - in the Capuchin Friary, Church Street (November 24-25), Holy Redeemer, Bray, with the presence of Archbishop Dermot Farrell (25-26 November), Holy Family, Aughrim Street (26 November, and Saint Kevin and Saint Kilian, Kilnamanagh-Castleview (27 November). Accompanying the fragment of the pericardium relic, the membrane that protected his heart, will be Monsignor Anthony Figueiredo, head of International Relations for the Diocese of Assisi. Blessed Carlo Acutis, the kid in "jeans and sneakers," 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: "Always to be united with Jesus," he would say, "this is my programme of life." Carlo, inspired by the Blessed Mother and saints, was transfigured by love of God and neighbour, particularly the least ones of society, nourished by consistency in the sacramental life and Adoration. The relic of Blessed Carlo Acutis has already travelled last June to the Archdiocese of Armagh and the Diocese of Down and Connor, and in September to the Dioceses of Derry, Elphin, Tuam (Knock), and Dromore, drawing thousands of pilgrims.

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