

QUOTES

"Everyone is born original, but many die as photocopies."

"Not me, but God."

"Not self-love, but the glory of God."

"Sadness is looking at oneself, happiness is looking at God."

"Mother, even if all our dreams have to fall apart, we must never allow cynicism to get the better of us and paralyze our hearts. From each disappointment a new dream will always be born."

"Our existence on this planet Earth has a meaning. It makes sense, if it is understood as a direct, but personal, path towards the Savior. Therefore, our problem, my problem, your problem, is this: rushing that meeting, holding that meeting, making that meeting happen."

"Why dim others' lights to shine our own light?"

"About Worship: He looks at me, and I look at Him. This look is enriching. I let the Lord observe me, mold me, form my soul, mold it. It is really present, it is not an invention. He is there. If everyone could be aware of this, how they would flock here! If everyone believed in this truth, how their lives would change for the better!"

"To have more grace it is necessary to be regular at the sacrament of the Eucharist."



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SAINT CARLO ACUTIS
LIFE AND SPIRITUALITY
- PART 1 -

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HIS JOURNEY

- 1991 - Carlo Acutis was born on 3rd May to Andrea Acutis and Antonia Salzano in London, United Kingdom. On 18th May, he received the Sacrament of Baptism. On September, Carlo returned to Italy with his parents.
- 1998 - Carlo received his First Communion. 
- 2003 - Received the Sacrament of Confirmation in his parish church, Santa Maria Segreta, Italy.
- 2004 - Launched his website and worked on it for two and a half years.
- 2005 - Began high school at the Jesuit Institute. Visited Lourdes, in France, for the first time.
- 2006 - The website was unveiled on October 4th, 2006, the Feast of St. Francis, only days before his death.
In October, Carlo fell ill. His condition drastically deteriorated and he was diagnosed with M3 acute leukemia. He had requested to receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick and Holy Communion, certain that he would shortly die.
On 12th October, Carlo's heart stopped beating. The funeral took place on Saturday, 14th October, at Santa Maria Segreta Church. Carlo's body is buried in the family tomb in Ternengo (Biella).
- 2007 - Carlo's body was transferred from Ternengo Cemetery to a cemetery in Assisi as he had requested.
- 2012 - The cause for Carlo's Beatification and Canonisation was officially opened and he became a Servant of God.

HIS JOURNEY

- 2017 - Decree of validity by the Congregation for the Causes of Saints.
- 2018 - On 5th July, Pope Francis confirmed his life as one of heroic virtue and declared him Venerable.
- 2019 - Carlo's body is exhumed and transferred to the Shrine of Renunciation in Assisi.
- 2020 - On 21st February, Pope Francis authorized the promulgation of the decree to recognize the miracle attributed through Carlo's intercession. On 10th October, Carlo was beatified at Basilica of Saint Francis of Assisi, Assisi, Italy
- 2025 - On 27th April, Carlo Acutis was canonized.



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ABOUT HIS LIFE

Life Carlo was an absolutely normal young man, but with an absolutely special harmony: attentive, pleasant, witty style, ability to focus on issues that are essential, lucid and concrete intelligence, sense of responsibility, refined sense of humor and a clear horizon of non-negotiable values, frank, affectionate, without pride and alien to possessive maneuvers, alien to conflicts. Sober in life and aspirations. He was always very careful not to judge anyone.

Carlo was very gifted in computers, liked sports (playing football), animals (had 4 dogs, 2 cats and a red fish), all the nature, the dolphins, playing with Lego and making videos with a small camcorder, quiz competitions and detective films.

Active personality, but not frantic, restless or insatiably on the move. He liked to withdraw into intimacy with his own thoughts and in dialogue with God. Holiness became a way of living, although it cost sacrifice, it was natural for Carlo. He scolded his friends when he saw them giving in to wrong emotional behaviors, aimed at exploiting the other as an "object of pleasure".

He was a catechist, liked to dedicate his time to charity and volunteering. He used to save money to give to the poor, the elderly, the cloistered nuns, the priests, the foreigners. Had a passion for exhibitions, as an evangelization strategy to fulfill his desire to announce "the Good News". His greater love was the Eucharist.

Carlo used to like many things, but was tempered in the time and energy he dedicated to each thing, having as priority his spiritual life. Wherever Carlo would go, he always would visit the near pilgrimage's places, as: Sanctuaty of Pompeii, of Saint Michael the Archangel, Lourdes, Fatima, San Giovanni Rotondo (Padre Pio), etc.

Carlo loved to read: the lives/biographies of saints, The Little Prince, the Gospels the Bible and everything about Marian apparitions (Fátima, Lourdes, Guadalupe).