

The visit of the relic of
Blessed Carlo Acutis
to the Archdiocese of Dublin
November 2023



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MAY 31, 1991 – OCTOBER 12, 2006

BEATIFIED BY POPE FRANCIS ON OCTOBER 10, 2020

This week, the relic of Blessed Carlo Acutis is visiting the Archdiocese of Dublin. It will come to St Mary of the Angels Church, Church Street, Dublin 7, this Friday, November 24, and Saturday, November 25; to the Church of the Holy Redeemer, Bray, Co. Wicklow, this Saturday, November 25, and Sunday, November 26; to the Church of the Holy Family, Aughrim Street, Dublin 7, this Sunday, November 26; and to St Kevin's Church, Kilnamanagh, Dublin 24, and St Kilian's Church, Kingswood, Dublin 24, on Monday, November 27. The relic has travelled to Ireland from Assisi's Sanctuary of the Renunciation, the Church where Blessed Carlo's remains are housed and displayed. It is a first-class relic, meaning it is a piece of Blessed Carlo's body.

Blessed Carlo Acutis was born in London to Italian parents, but grew up in Milan, Italy, where his family relocated when he was just a child. From a young age, he displayed an extraordinary devotion to his Catholic faith. He attended Mass daily, regularly receiving the sacraments. He was known for centering his life on the Eucharist. "Always to be united with Jesus," he would say, "this is my programme of life." Carlo set up a website documenting Eucharistic miracles, and is now considered a patron saint of the internet. On October 10, 2020, he was beatified by Pope Francis, becoming the first millennial to be declared 'Blessed' by the Catholic Church. It was said at the time that his beatification highlighted "the significance of his witness, particularly for the younger generation, demonstrating that holiness is attainable even in our modern world".

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ST MARY OF THE ANGELS CHURCH, CHURCH STREET, DUBLIN 7
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 24, AND SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 25

The relic arrives on Friday 1.30pm. This will be followed by a talk, a blessing with the relic, recitation of the Rosary, a Holy Hour and Adoration and Mass, concluding at 9.15pm. On Saturday, events begin with Mass at 9.30am and conclude at 1pm. For the full schedule, see 'Capuchin Friary Church Street' on Facebook

CHURCH OF THE HOLY REDEEMER, BRAY, CO. WICKLOW
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 25, AND SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26

The relic will arrive at 3pm on Saturday. Archbishop Dermot Farrell will conduct the liturgy of welcome. The relic will remain on display from 3pm to 9pm that day. It will again be available to visit from 9.30am to 1pm on Sunday

CHURCH OF THE HOLY FAMILY, AUGHRIM STREET, DUBLIN 7
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26

After the relic's arrival at 4pm, Mass will be celebrated in Italian. This will be followed by veneration of the relic, Mass in English, a Holy Hour, the recitation of the Rosary and blessings with the relic. Confessions will be heard in Italian and English. Visit www.aughrimstreetparish.ie

ST KEVIN'S CHURCH, KILNAMANAGH, DUBLIN 24, AND ST KILIAN'S CHURCH, KINGSWOOD, DUBLIN 24
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 27

The relic will arrive in the morning, and Mass in honour of Blessed Carlo will be celebrated at 10am in St Kevin's Church, Kilnamanagh. This will be followed by a Liturgy of the Word at 12 noon in St Kilian's Church, Kingswood. Visit www.kilnamanaghcastleview.com