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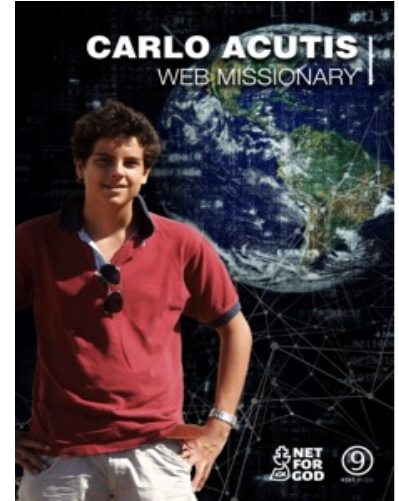
Week of the Psalter 2

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Blessed Carlo Acutis

“To always be close to Jesus, that is my life plan”

One of the many quotes of Carlo Acutis, a modern 15-year-old Italian computer whiz kid, who died of leukaemia in 2006. His beatification took place at the Basilica of St Francis in Assisi on 10th October; his incredible love of God, of Jesus in the Eucharist, his entire approach to life and death and the miracles that have been worked through his intercession led Pope Francis to beatify him and bring him forward for sainthood. Pope Francis offered Carlo as a model of holiness in a digital age. What an incredible gift to us in these days of quarantine and self-isolation when we rely increasingly on the internet: a future saint of our time.



Carlo Acutis was born in May 1991 in London but soon moved back with his mother and father to Milan, where he became a guiding light to his non-practising parents. His mother said, “There was in him a natural predisposition for the sacred.” Carlo’s young life was devoted to Jesus, he displayed a great love for the Eucharist, demanding to be taken to daily Mass, visiting Jesus in the churches they passed by in their everyday life, and a devotion to the virgin Mary. At a young age he had an innate sense of justice, standing up for classmates who were bullied at school. Closeness to Jesus increased in Carlo as he approached his teens. He, like many typical teenagers, had a passion for computers, including computer programming, website creation and gaming. He also enjoyed football and socializing with his friends, so he certainly did not hide behind his computer screen! This enthusiastic love that Carlo had of the web led him to be called “an influencer for God”, using his talents and skills to spread the Good News by documenting Eucharistic miracles around the world, also by sending emails to friends with the daily Gospel readings. He had a short life with a great impact; his funeral Mass was full of poor people who he had helped by giving them food on his way to school, he saved his pocket money to buy them sleeping bags. Pope Francis said, “**Carlo’s example showed that true happiness is found by putting God in first place and serving him in our brothers and sisters, especially the least.**”

I have been deeply struck by this young man, Carlo Acutis, especially as we have prayed for our parish children and young people who very recently received the Sacraments of First Eucharist and Confirmation. We prayed that they move close to Jesus and become young ‘influencers for God’. Let’s all continue to pray that this future saint becomes a role model for them; a superhero of our time.

Giulia Kemp.



Do please watch the NET FOR GOD film **Carlo Acutis Web Missionary** on facebook on Tuesday evening at 8pm. [@ChristTheKingParishCockfosters](https://www.facebook.com/ChristTheKingParishCockfosters)

NOVEMBER HOLY SOULS.

During the month of November weekday Mass will be offered for all the names in the book of remembrance.

Slips will be available for you to write the name of those you would like to be remembered.



ALL SOULS DAY NOVEMBER 2ND

There will be Mass at 11 am and 7.30 pm. At the **7.30 pm** Mass (live streamed) it will be for those of the parish who have died in the last year.



BT CLUB NOTICES BT CLUB ZOOM

There will be a BT Club Zoom meeting on Sunday 1st Nov. at 3pm. Please email the parish office cockfosters@rcdow.org.uk so the link can be sent to you. New members most welcome.

BT CLUB "BITE SIZE" This is a new initiative which is providing information that may be of interest to parishioners. This week is about the Enfield Library Service. There are four 'Hub' Libraries open 9am to 5pm

Monday to Friday. Enfield Town Library.....tel. 02083798341 Edmonton Greentel 02083792610 Palmers Green.....tel 02083792711 Ordnance Road.....tel 02083792688 Items borrowed can be returned to any of these libraries but if you wish to browse you will need to book a slot with the library you plan to visit. Masks are mandatory

ZOOM PRAYER GROUP

Last Saturday Maggie and Andrew Colvin gave us so many examples of healings! We meet next at 2.30 pm on Saturday 24 October when the speakers will be John and Anne Coles who have led the huge New Wine movement in the UK for so many years and are both well-known speakers; it is bound to be a brilliant session and we welcome newcomers - just contact us at peterkrau@aol.com

PRAYER REQUESTS

So many of us have personal prayer requests for ourselves, for family or friends. Please contact us for healing prayer at 020 8883 2665 or by email at contact@iamwithyou.co.uk

NORTH ENFIELD FOODBANK

The demands on the foodbank from needy individuals and families is ever increasing. Please continue to be generous with your donations of non-perishable food. **Urgently required:** Tinned fish, tinned meat and long life milk. Cash donations can be left in the parish office.

THANK YOU

A big thank you for your generous donations last weekend to the CAFOD Fast Day appeal. It is not too late to donate via envelope, online at cafod.org.uk/give or by texting CAFOD to 70085 to £10. (Texts cost £10 plus one standard rate message)



Sunday 25 October	THIRTIETH SUNDAY year A Masses: 9.00am & 11.00am Readings: Exodus 22:20-26. Ps. 17:2-4. 47. 51. 1 Thess. 1:5-10. Mt. 22:34-40.	Thursday 29 October	Blessed Martyrs of Douai College Mass: 11.00am Readings: Ephesians 6:10-20. Ps. 143:1-2. 9-10. Lk. 13:31-35.
Monday 26 October	Feria Mass: 11.00am Readings: Ephesians 4:32 – 5:8. Ps.1:1-4. 6. Lk. 13:10-17.	Friday 30 October	Feria Mass: 11.00am Readings: Phil. 1:1-11. Ps. 110:1-6. Lk. 14:1-6.
Tuesday 27 October	Feria NO MASS Readings: Ephesians 5:21-33. Ps. 127:1-5. Lk. 13:18-21.	Saturday 31 October	Our Lady on Saturday Masses: 11.00am & 5.30pm Readings: Phil. 1:18-26. Ps. 41:2-3. 5. Lk. 14:1. 7-11.
Wednesday 28 October	Ss SIMON & JUDE, Apostles Mass:11.00am Readings: Ephesians 6:1-9. Ps. 144:10-14. Lk. 13:22-30.	Sunday 1 November	ALL SAINTS year A Masses: 9.00am & 11.00am Readings: Apocalypse 7:2-4. 9-14. Ps. 23:1-6. 1 Jn. 3:1-3. Mt. 5:1-12.