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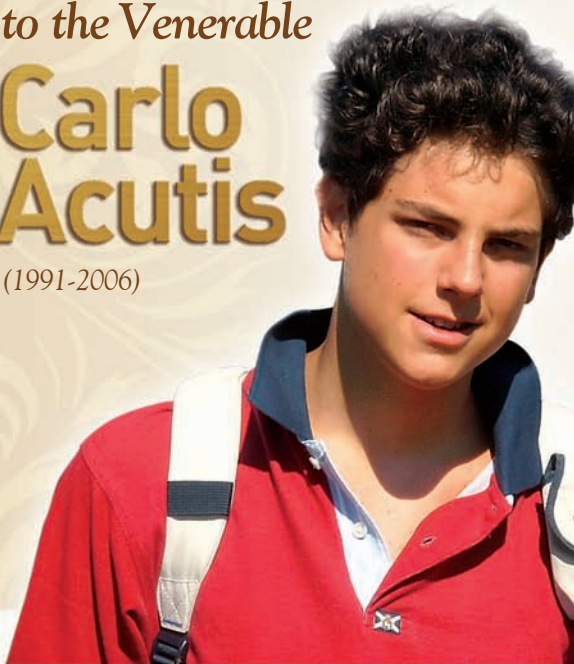
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# Official Prayer and Novena

to the Venerable

# Carlo Acutis

(1991-2006)



“Always to be united with Jesus, that is my life's programme”



## Prayer to the Venerable Carlo Acutis

O Father,  
who have given us the ardent witness,  
of the young Venerable Carlo Acutis,  
who made the Eucharist the center of his life  
and the strength of his daily commitments  
so that others may love You above all else,  
may him soon be numbered among  
the Blessed and the Saints of Your Church.

Confirm my faith,  
nurture my hope,  
strengthen my charity,  
in the image of young Carlo,  
who, growing in these virtues,  
now lives with You.

Grant me the grace that I need....

I trust in You, Father, and your Beloved Son Jesus,  
in the Virgin Mary, our Dearest Mother,  
and in the intercession of Your  
Venerable Carlo Acutis.

Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory Be

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# Novena to the Venerable Carlo Acutis

## Opening Prayer

Most Holy Trinity, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, I thank you for all the grace and favours with which you enriched the soul of the Servant of God Carlo Acutis during his 15 years on this earth. Through the merits of this Angel of Youth, grant me the grace which I earnestly seek (*Ask the grace which you seek*).

## First Day Meditation:

### *Not me, but God”*

Venerable arlo Acutis, you who made your life a continual renunciation and setting aside of unimportant things, give me the grace to seek heavenly things and despise that which is transient. Amen.

*Pray five “Our Fathers”, five “Hail Marys” and five “Glory Be to the Fathers” to give thanks to God for the grace granted to Carlo in the 15 years of his earthly life.*

## Second day Meditation:

### *Always to be united with Jesus, that is my life’s programme”*

Venerable Carlo Acutis, you who have lived in the heart of Jesus, give me the grace to apply Jesus’s plan of love to everything. Amen.

*Pray five “Our Fathers”, five “Hail Marys” and five “Glory Be to the Fathers” to give thanks to God for the grace granted to Carlo in the 15 years of his earthly life.*

## Third day Meditation:

### *Continuously ask your Guardian Angel for help. Your Guardian Angel has to become your best friend”*

Venerable Carlo Acutis, you who saw the company of Holy Angels while you were already in this world, give me the Grace to live righteously, as my Guardian Angel desires. Amen.

*Pray five “Our Fathers”, five “Hail Marys” and five “Glory Be to the Fathers” to give thanks to God for the grace granted to Carlo in the 15 years of his earthly life.*

## Fourth day Meditation:

### *Our soul is like a hot-air balloon... If by chance there is a mortal sin, the soul falls to the ground. Confession is like the fire underneath the balloon enabling the soul to rise again... It is important to go to confession often”*

Venerable Carlo Acutis, you who have lived this sacrament of reconciliation so well, give me the grace constantly to seek confession and the grace of a deep contrition. Amen.

*Pray five “Our Fathers”, five “Hail Marys” and five “Glory Be to the Fathers” to give thanks to God for the grace granted to Carlo in the 15 years of his earthly life.*

## Fifth day Meditation:

### *Sadness is looking at ourselves, happiness is looking towards God”*

Venerable Carlo Acutis, you who have never looked away from your great love, Jesus, give me the grace also to live with this happiness in this world. Amen.

*Si recitano 5 “Padre Nostro”, 5 “Ave Maria” e 5 “Gloria al Padre”, in ringraziamento a Dio per i doni concessi a Carlo nei 15 anni della sua vita terrena.*

## Sixth Day Meditation:

### *The only thing we have to ask God for, in prayer, is the desire to be holy”*

Venerable Carlo Acutis, you who have always asked God for what is essential, give me the grace of a deep desire for Heaven. Amen.

*Pray five “Our Fathers”, five “Hail Marys” and five “Glory Be to the Fathers” to give thanks to God for the grace granted to Carlo in the 15 years of his earthly life.*

## Seventh Day Meditation:

### *The Virgin Mary is the only Woman in my life”*

Venerable Carlo Acutis, you who loved the Virgin Mary above all women, give me the grace to respond to her kind and good love. Amen.

*Pray five “Our Fathers”, five “Hail Marys” and five “Glory Be to the Fathers” to give thanks to God for the grace granted to Carlo in the 15 years of his earthly life.*

## Eighth Day Meditation:

### *The Eucharist is my highway to Heaven”*

Venerable Carlo Acutis, you who have always looked for your hidden Jesus in the Tabernacle, give me the grace of a deep fervour for the Eucharist. Amen.

*Pray five “Our Fathers”, five “Hail Marys” and five “Glory Be to the Fathers” to give thanks to God for the grace granted to Carlo in the 15 years of his earthly life.*

## Ninth Day Meditation:

### *I am happy to die because I have lived my life without wasting a minute on those things which do not please God.”*

Venerable Carlo Acutis, give me that grace of graces – perseverance to the end and a saintly death. Amen.

*Pray five “Our Fathers”, five “Hail Marys” and five “Glory Be to the Fathers” to give thanks to God for the grace granted to Carlo in the 15 years of his earthly life.*

## Final Prayer

Almighty God, Father of Mercy, raise your Servant Carlo Acutis to the glory of the altars, so that through him you will be even more glorified. Give us the honour of calling him “Blessed”, for he lived Your Will in all things. And through his merit, give me the grace that I so ardently desire. Amen