Hi Feastbearers!

Today, let’s meet a very brave young saint — **St. Tarcisius**!

Tarcisius was just a boy, probably around your age, who lived in Rome a long long time ago — when being a Christian was dangerous.

One day, a priest needed someone to carry the **Holy Eukarist** — that’s Jesus Himself — to Christians who were in prison.

Tarcisius said, “I’ll go!”

Even though he was young, the priest could see that Tarcisius had a strong and faithful heart.

So the priest gave him the Eukarist, wrapped safely, and Tarcisius held it close to his chest.

But on the way, some boys stopped him. They saw he was protecting something and tried to make him show it — but **Tarcisius wouldn’t let anyone hurt Jesus**.

He held on tight. Even when they pushed him and tried to take it, **he kept Jesus safe**.

Christians later found him — he had given his life to protect the Eukarist.

That’s why we remember **St. Tarcisius** as a hero — someone who loved and protected Jesus in the Eukarist with all his heart.

And you, Feastbearers?

You are **getting ready to receive Jesus for the very first time** in Holy Communion.

That makes you special. You’re learning to **love and honor Jesus in the Eukarist**, just like Tarcisius.

So even now — before your First Communion — you can say:

“Jesus, I believe in You. I love You. Help me be ready to welcome You with all my heart.”