

## PRAYER TO ST. CARLO ACUTIS

Carlo, smile of heaven for this wounded and peaceless world, we praise God for your simple, joyful and holy life.

You accepted with trust
to be stripped of your youth
to dedicate yourself in heaven, with Jesus and Mary,
to a mission of boundless love.
Resting with your mortal body
where Francis of Assisi
stripped himself of every earthly good,
you cry out with him to the world
that Jesus is all our jou

Young man, full of dreams, attracted by nature, by sports, by the internet, but even more enraptured by the miracle of Jesus truly present in the Sacred Host, help us to believe that He is there alive and true, the mystical "highway" that leads to heaven, and teach us to contemplate Him with Mary, in the mysteries of the Holv Rosarv.

Explain to us, Carlo, that, beyond every fashion, only Jesus, by uniting ourselves to Him, makes us "originals and not photocopies," truly free.

Grant us know how to meet Him in every creature, but especially in the poor, so that humanity may be more just and fraternal, rich in beauty and hope,

to the glory of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen

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