



Vatican's Eucharistic Miracles Exhibition of Blessed Carlo Acutis Comes to NT

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A One-of-a-Kind Spiritual Encounter for Northern Territory Communities

The Northern Territory is set to host a deeply spiritual event that will leave a lasting impact on the region. The Vatican's acclaimed Exhibition of Eucharistic Miracles, curated by Blessed Carlo Acutis, will be showcased in Tennant Creek, Katherine, and Darwin City Parishes this September. This powerful exhibition not only brings together 140 beautifully illustrated accounts of Eucharistic miracles from around the world but also provides an opportunity of grace and reflection for NT communities like never before.

Blessed Carlo Acutis, an Italian teenager who tragically passed away at the age of 15 from leukemia in 2006, is remembered for his profound devotion to the Eucharist. He is already being hailed as the first "Millennial Saint," a title that resonates strongly with younger generations. Carlo's passion for using technology to spread the message of faith led him to create a website that meticulously documented Eucharistic miracles worldwide, a labour of love that continues to inspire millions.

Pope Francis has officially recognised a miracle attributed to Carlo's intercession, bringing him closer to sainthood—a remarkable achievement for a young man whose life was devoted to the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. This exhibit, infused with Carlo's legacy, offers a unique spiritual journey, deepening the understanding of the Eucharist for visitors of all ages.

A Message from Bishop Charles Gauci

Bishop Charles Gauci, the Catholic Bishop of the Northern Territory, has reflected on the upcoming canonisation of Blessed Carlo Acutis, offering a profound message of hope and inspiration to people of all ages.

"As we anticipate the canonisation of Carlo Acutis, a young man who has already been recognised as Blessed, we are reminded that holiness is not reserved for a select few. Holiness is available to everyone, regardless of age or background. It is a universal call to all people, and with God's grace, we can be healed, find our true selves, and live as holy individuals.

Holy people are those who are fully alive, deeply connected with others, with life, and with God. Carlo Acutis embodied this in his life, and his response to Jesus' call is a model for us all. As we prepare to celebrate his life and his commitment to love God above all, and to love all people and all creation through God's love, we are reminded of our own call to holiness."

Bishop Gauci also emphasised the importance of personal choice in an age of societal pressures: "We are reminded that we have the power to make decisions for ourselves, that we are not bound by



popular opinion. We can be true to ourselves and make choices that align with what is right for us, rather than simply conforming to what society dictates."

He extended an invitation to the wider community to join in celebrating the life and legacy of Carlo Acutis, a young man whose journey continues to inspire people across the world.

A Rare Opportunity for Northern Territory Communities

This exhibition is more than a collection of miracles—it is a profound encounter with the divine. For the Northern Territory, this is an unparalleled opportunity to engage with the global Catholic community through Blessed Carlo's work, reflecting on the mystery and beauty of the Eucharist. As it travels through Tennant Creek (14-15 September), Katherine (18-19 September), and Darwin City's St. Mary's Star of the Sea Cathedral (21-22 September), it will bring the community together in prayerful contemplation.

The event in Darwin will commence with Mass on Saturday, 21st September, at 11:30 am, followed by the exhibition from 12:00 pm to 8:30 pm. On Sunday, 22nd September, the exhibition will be open from 8:30 am to 8:30 pm. There is no cost to attend, and all are welcome. It is an open invitation to all, including Christians and non-Christians alike.

Embracing the Spirituality of Aboriginal Communities

The spirituality of the Territory's Aboriginal communities adds a unique dimension to this event. With a deep connection to the land and a rich tradition of storytelling, Aboriginal people may find resonance in the stories of miracles depicted in the exhibition. The exhibition presents an invitation for Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal communities alike to come together, reflect on their faith, and experience the transformative grace of the Eucharist.

A First-Class Relic and Video Resources

Accompanying the exhibition will be a first-class relic of Blessed Carlo Acutis, further deepening the spiritual experience for those in attendance. For those who wish to explore more about Blessed Carlo's life, resources such as *Blessed Carlo Acutis – Online with Saints* and *Blessed Carlo Acutis' Miracles Exhibit Draws Big Lines at National Eucharistic Congress* are available online, offering a broader perspective on this extraordinary young man's journey toward sainthood.

A Spiritual Event Not to Be Missed

This one-of-a-kind event invites all Territorians to pause amidst the busyness of daily life and connect with a deeper spiritual reality. Through the lens of Blessed Carlo Acutis, this exhibition brings the past and present together, providing a space for healing, reflection, and a renewed connection to the sacred.

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