

Pope Leo Canonizes First Millennial Saint as 'God's Influencer'

The first ever millennial saint was just canonized by Pope Leo to be "God's influencer."

Carlo Acutis, who died at the age of 15 in 2006 due to leukemia, became a saint in the Catholic Church on Sept. 7. According to the Guardian, Acutis spent his life building websites that impacted the world with teachings on the Catholic faith and is credited with performing miracles which occurred after his death.

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As Acutis' mother, Antonia Salzano described, that after his death, people who were gravely ill began to pray to him to be healed. Prior to Pope Francis' death, he gave Acutis the credit for two miracles, one for a boy that was suffering from a congenital disease that impacted his pancreas and the other for a student who had a brain bleed which led to their mother praying at the tomb of Acutis.

Salzano credits her son's faith for also bringing her to God.

Speaking with Fox News, Salzano says that "Carlo, for me, was a was a mystic."

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Salzano has told the outlet that he visited her in a dream and prophetically declared that he would be canonized someday as a saint. She also said that after Acutis died she tried to have more children, but could not. However, Salzano claims that her son visited her in a dream once again and told her, "Listen, you will become, again, a mother. Don't worry." A month after this, Salzano says she became pregnant.

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The canonization of Carlo Acutis marks a historic moment for the Catholic Church. Whether viewed as a model of modern holiness or as a symbol of how faith can adapt to new generations, this recognition of Acutis marks a new era for Catholicism.

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