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19th Sunday in Ordinary time



In a world longing for authentic witnesses of holiness, two young lives are set to light the way for a new generation of Catholics. Pope Leo XIV has confirmed that Carlo Acutis and Pier Giorgio Frassati will be canonized together on September 7, 2025, during the Church's Holy Year—a moment that will mark the first time a millennial becomes a saint.

Why is this moment so significant? Carlo Acutis, born in London in 1991 and raised in Milan, embraced a deep love for the Eucharist from an early age. "To

always be united to Jesus: This is my life plan," he once told his mother after receiving his First Communion, according to *Catholic News Agency (CNA)*. Carlo was not only devoted to daily Mass and acts of kindness—he was also a tech-savvy teenager who used his digital skills to evangelize. His Eucharistic Miracles website, which catalogued over 100 documented cases of Eucharistic phenomena, has since traveled to thousands of parishes worldwide.

His beatification in 2020 made him the first millennial to be declared "Blessed." Now, just 19 years after his death from leukemia at age 15, he will be canonized—a process that historically took centuries. "It's quite amazing," said Fr. Anthony Figueirida, author of a book on Acutis. He called Carlo "a sign of goodness" in a world "filled with bad news" (*New York Times*).

Two miracles have been approved as signs of Carlo's intercession. The first involved the healing of a Brazilian child with a malformed pancreas. The second, formally recognized in May 2024, was the recovery of 21-year-old Valeria Valverde from Costa Rica, who suffered a traumatic brain injury in a bicycle accident. Her mother had prayed for Acutis' intercession at his tomb in Assisi. According to *CNA*, Valeria's doctors had little hope—but she survived and recovered fully.

Carlo's influence doesn't stop with miracles. His witness has brought people to conversion, including his own family and his Hindu au pair, who converted to Catholicism. "People who place themselves before the sun get a tan; people who place themselves before the Eucharist become saints," he once said—a quote that continues to resonate with Catholic youth.

The decision to canonize both men on the same day, and during the Church's Jubilee of Youth, highlights the Vatican's desire to place young, relatable models of holiness before today's faithful. The ceremony will take place in St. Peter's Square and is expected to draw pilgrims from across the globe.

As Domenico Sorrentino, Archbishop of Assisi, noted, Carlo was "a boy full of life," whose brief time on earth offered "hope to younger generations who face a future that is not so easy to envisage" (*New York Times*). Together, Carlo Acutis and Pier Giorgio Frassati show that holiness is not reserved for the past, nor is it distant from ordinary life. It is alive and climbing—toward the heights.

By Abigail James -- Catholic Online News

Please Pray for our family & friends

Brian Scharrer	Jim & Phyllis Carpenter	Rob Dwyer
Cheryl Kartes	Jim Keys	Salvadore Medina †
Christina Munoz	Jim Scarth †	Samuel Scarth
David Pope	Joseph Graziano	Steve Kist
Dionesio Briones †	Karen Poelakker	Sue Munoz
Don Taylor	Kitty Woolridge	Ray White
Doug Pope †	Kyle Hanson †	Ruth Mounts
Fred Hawkes	Laura Fawson	Tom & Carol Porter
Gordon Bryson	Mark Borowiak	Torii Cain
Hector Garduno †	Norm Engle	Tracy Goodin
Cecelia Hernandez	Rae Crozier	Vince Guglielmetti SR †
Jean Bourque †	Raul Reyna	Wanda Guglielmetti †
Jill Nagrodsky	Richard McAfee †	Wendy & Lance Tanner

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David Bittmenn,
Reverend Franklin Minzaki
Deacon Dan Weber

Communion to the
Sick & Homebound:
Please contact the church office.

Parish Calendar

VIGIL MASS: Saturday 6pm

MASS: Sunday 12:30pm

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION :

**Assumption of the
Blessed Virgin Mary**

**Friday, August 15th
5:30p at St Paul's**

COMMUNION SERVICE:

Wednesday 9am

BINGO: Thursday, August 14th

**Doors open at 6p - 1st
game at 6:30**

ADORATION:

Wed. Aug. 13th, 9:30-10a

Saturday, Aug 23rd, 7-8p

Ladies Breakfast Club:

**2nd Monday, Aug 11th
9:30a River Rock Roasters**

Transfiguration (August 6th)

Before his Death, Jesus invited Peter, James, and John up a mountain. They witnessed his Transfiguration. As Moses and Elijah appeared to them, Jesus's face and clothing took on the bright illumination of glory.

On August 6, the Church hears the Gospel a second time. No one knows the date of Jesus' Transfiguration, but a chapel on the traditional site, Mount Tabor, may have been dedicated on this date in the fourth century. Many churches East and West observed that feast. In 1456, Christians won a victory over the Turks at Belgrade. News reached Rome on August 6, so Pope Callistus III extended the celebration of the Transfiguration of the Lord to the universal church.

The Preface at this Mass was composed after the Second Vatican Council. It focuses not just on what happened to Jesus, but what it means for the Church. The Body of Christ will one day share the glory of its Head. The same theme appears in the Preface for the Ascension. The one for August 6 says that the three apostles saw the Transfiguration so that "the scandal of the Cross might be removed" from their hearts. It reassured those tempted to doubt.

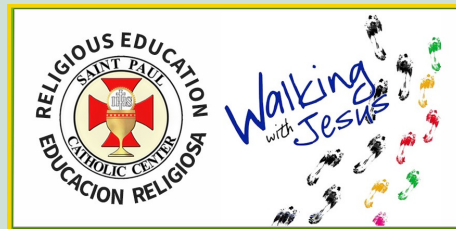
This day ranks as a Feast of the Lord. The lectionary contains three Scripture readings, which a bishops' conference may reduce to two on week days. When August 6 falls on a Sunday, all three readings and prayers replace those normally assigned this day in Ordinary Time.

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**ALL Parents & Students Meeting
Tuesday August 19th, 6pm**

NO registrations First day of class!

NEW DAYS & CLASS HOURS:

**Sarah - First Holy Communion
Tuesdays, 5p - 6:30p**

**Jenn & Melissa
First Holy Communion
Tuesdays, 6p - 7:30p**

**Lauren - Confirmation
WEDNESDAY
5:30p - 7p**



**AT
ST PAUL CATHOLIC CENTER**

**171 S MAIN ST
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**THURSDAY
AUGUST 14TH**

**DOOR OPENS AT
6:00 PM**

**We're Serving Our Amazing
Chili Cheese Dogs and Chips - \$5**

**NO MINORS UNDER THE AGE OF 18
NO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES - NO OUTSIDE FOOD ALLOWED**