

Individuality



Sign of the Cross

In the name of the Father,
and of the Son, and of the
Holy Spirit.

Response: Amen





Individuality

- ‘The quality or character of a particular person that distinguishes them from others of the same kind’
- You were all created to be different and we are all unique
- Many people believe that society today makes people act in the same way through the way they look, the way they interact with others, the way they dress etc
- What are you going to become?

What is God's calling for you? 



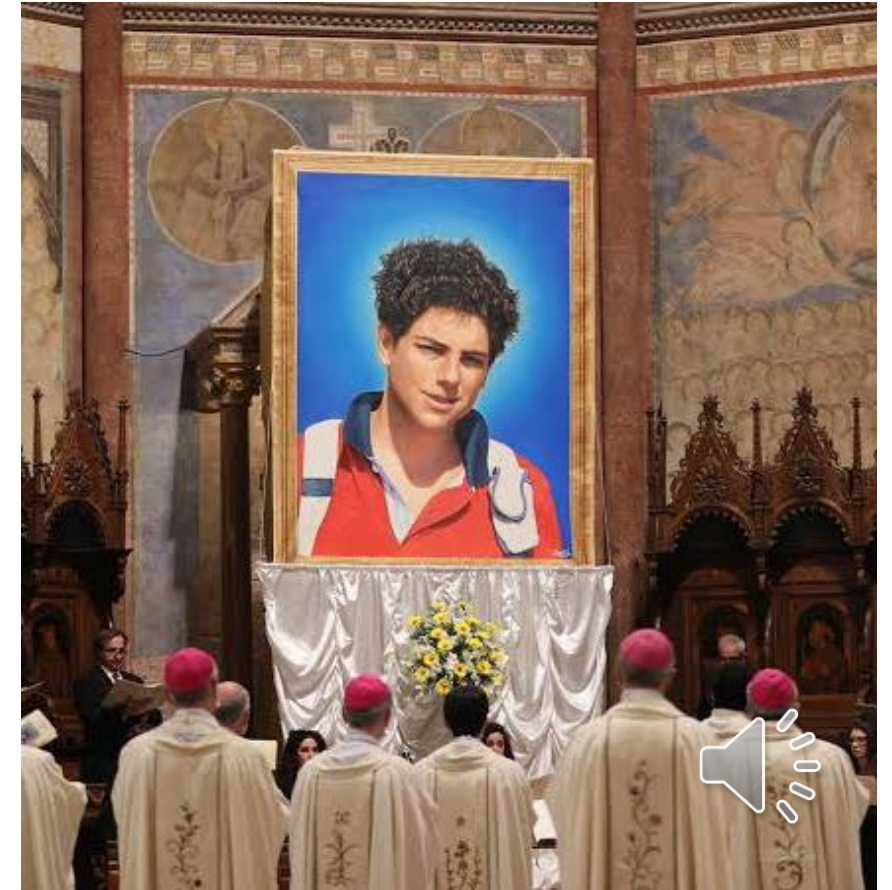
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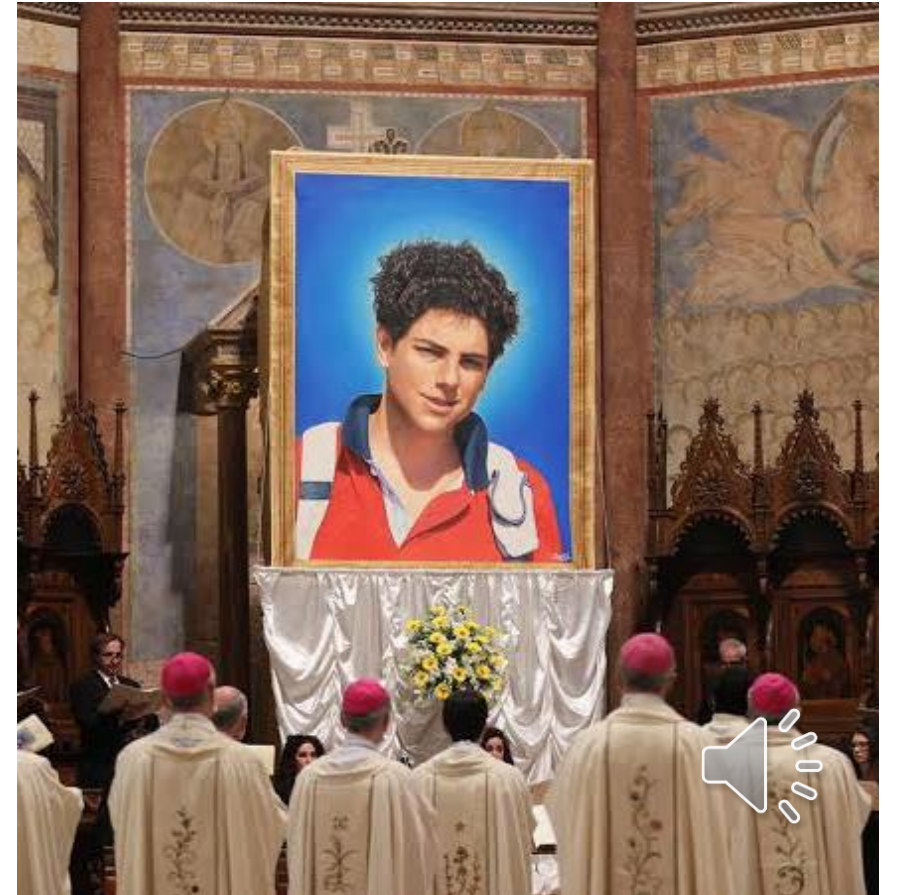
- An English born Italian Catholic who was Baptised in London in 1991, the year of his birth
- Before the age of one, his family moved back to Italy and settled in Milan
- Carlo grew up in a Catholic family and was well known for his deep devotion to the Eucharist
- Carlo was a very caring young man. He would worry about his friends whose parents were divorcing and would invite them to his home to support them
- He would also defend disabled students at school when people were making fun of them





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- Outside of school, he did volunteer work with the homeless and those who were less fortunate.
- He loved playing computer games but would limit himself to one hour per week. He also liked films, comic editing, and programming on his computer
- He was diagnosed with Leukaemia and died aged 15 on 12th October 2006
- His funeral was attended by many homeless people who he met on the streets and had helped provide food for
- His final words were 'To be always united with Jesus, this is my plan of life'





Scripture

- ‘Since we have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, each of us is to exercise them accordingly: if prophecy, according to the proportion of his faith; if service, in his serving; or he who teaches, in his teaching; or he who exhorts, in his exhortation; he who gives, with liberality; he who leads, with diligence; he who shows mercy, with cheerfulness’ (***Romans 12: 6-8***)
- ‘Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit. And there are varieties of ministries, and the same Lord. There are varieties of effects, but the same God who works all things in all persons’ (***Corinthians 12: 4-6***)

What path will you follow? 



Thankyou Prayer

Father, we thank you for your most holy servant Carlo Acutis.

We pray that we may be inspired by his example to lead holy and loving lives of service to you.

Help us to be inspired by you and others such as Carlo, but please support us as we aim to follow our own path and be the individual that you wanted us to be.

Amen

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CTK Mission Challenges

- At some point over the next few days, think about Carlo Acutis and the life that he followed:
- Community – check on other people if they look like they are in distress
- Achieve – be motivated to want to learn and develop your knowledge
- Respect – celebrate the uniqueness of others and do not judge
- Encounter – allow time for prayer

What challenge will you pick? 

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