



## Notes on Blessed Carlo Acutis'

### 'International Exhibition of Eucharistic Miracles'

by Anna Johnstone, Governess (2015-2018) to Carlo's younger brother and sister.

In a sense the Exhibition speaks for itself and invites a personal exploration... but if, as was my experience, you're not quite sure where to begin, here are a few pointers.

## The Science

### Start with Lanciano, 750 AD

This was the Eucharistic miracle that Carlo stumbled upon when he was 11, in 2002. Carlo was amazed to discover that there were such things as Eucharistic Miracles.

Professor Linoli conducted scientific tests on the Lanciano miracle in the 1970s. Amongst other findings, he reported that the sample was blood type AB and that the tissue was from a muscle in the heart. Incredulous, the World Health Organisation asked permission to conduct tests themselves. Their exhaustive tests confirmed all Professor Linoli's results.

### Buenos Aires x 3, 1990s

The eminent pathologist, Professor Zugibe, was asked to blind test a sample from these miracles. He became concerned because, in addition to the above results, he found white blood cells and evidence that the person from whom the sample was taken had been tortured. In that white blood cells die within 15 minutes



Buenos Aires 1990's

of leaving the body, he was very concerned about the person from whom the sample had been taken. He was amazed to be told that he had been given a sample from the Blessed Sacrament.

## Sokolka x 3, 2008

Here you can see a picture of bread turning into flesh. This can be seen to be happening even at the molecular level. Not even the scientists of NASA could reproduce this effect.

## The Spirituality

What has been particularly striking, in bringing this Exhibition to new audiences, is how affirming it is for the faith of those who already believe in the Real Presence. Speaking personally, this Exhibition has really brought alive, for me, our devotion to the Sacred Heart. I had no idea that there had been so many Eucharistic miracles throughout the world, or that the tissue was always from the heart. I have also been really touched by Carlo's Johannine spirituality. Carlo emphasized that we are all invited to become the 'Beloved Disciple.' Carlo said that when we pray before the Blessed Sacrament we are like John, resting our head on Jesus' heart. And when we go to Mass, we are like John at the foot of the cross.

## Types of Miracles

The miracles fall into several categories

1. Where a Priest is struggling to believe in the reality of Jesus truly present in the Blessed Sacrament.
2. Where there has been a simple accident – a host has been dropped for example
3. Where someone has set out to commit some kind of sacrilege. Please do see **Santarém!**
4. Where there are other mysterious phenomena associated with the Sacrament – such as light pouring out or 'floating' hosts. Please see St Clare of Assisi
5. And then of course there are examples of Saints being sustained solely on the Blessed Sacrament



**Santarém,  
Portugal 1247**

## The Theology

The greatest miracle happens at every Mass, when the 'substance' changes into the body, blood, soul and divinity of our Lord Jesus Christ. The miracles in this Exhibition, which concern the 'accidents' – that is the bread and wine, turning into flesh and blood – should be approached as wonderful signs from God, rather than something that is more extraordinary than transubstantiation itself. These are signs to help our faith.

## Blessed Carlo

At the age of just 7 Carlo decided to go to Mass every day, pray the Rosary every day and spend time in Eucharistic Adoration. By the age of 11, Carlo was a catechist. Having discovered the Eucharistic Miracle of Lanciano, Carlo wanted to make Eucharistic miracles widely known and he decided to make a website. His parents helped him with the research, but the website was entirely his design. (The Vatican are considering making Carlo a Patron Saint of the internet). The project took 3 years. Shortly afterwards Carlo became ill with what seemed to be a virus, but which was in fact fulminant leukemia. Carlo died just a week later, in 2006. His Exhibition rapidly spread throughout the world. Carlo was Beatified in Assisi last autumn. For full information about Carlo's Exhibition, please visit his original website [www.miracolieucaristici.org/](http://www.miracolieucaristici.org/)



Lanciano,  
Italy 750 AD

## The Eucharistic Miracles Exhibition

The Exhibition devised and planned by Carlo Acutis consists of over 160 Eucharistic Miracles plus numerous Miraculous Communion. For this exhibition we have chosen just 23, highlighted below, and these are displayed over 40 panels. Some of the most recent and often where there is strong substantive scientific evidence, are marked with two asterisks and highlighted on the following pages. You can see the full exhibition and know more about Carlo's remarkable life by visiting [www.carloacutis.com](http://www.carloacutis.com) and [www.miracolieucaristici.org](http://www.miracolieucaristici.org)

## *Eucharistic Miracles of the World*

an international exhibition designed and created  
by Blessed Carlo Acutis



## List of Miracles by Country

### ARGENTINA

**Buenos Aires, 1992-1994-1996\*\***

### AUSTRIA

Fiecht, 1310

Seefeld, 1384

Weiten-Raxendorf, 1411

### BELGIUM

Bois-Seigneur-Isaac, 1405

Bruges, 1203

Brussels, 1370

Herentals, 1412

Herkenrode-Hasselt, 1317

Liège, 1374

Middelburg-Lovanio, 1374

### COLOMBIA

**Tumaco, 1906\*\***

### CROATIA

Ludbreg, 1411

### EGYPT

St. Mary of Egypt, IV-V cent.

Scete, III-V cent.

### FRANCE

Avignon, 1433

Blanot, 1331

Bordeaux, 1822

Dijon, 1430

Douai, 1254

Faverney, 1608

La Rochelle, 1461

Neuvy Saint Sepulcre, 1257

Les Ulmes, 1668

Marseille-En-Beauvais, 1533

Paris, 1290

Pressac, 1643

### GERMANY

Augsburg, 1194

Benningen, 1216

Bettbrunn, 1125

Erding, 1417

Kranenburg, 1280

Regensburg, 1255

Walldürn, 1330

Weingarten

Wilsnack, 1383

### INDIA

**Chirattakonam, 2001\*\***

### MARTINIQUE

**Morne-Rouge, 1902\*\***

### REUNION ISLANDS

**Saint-André de la Réunion, 1902\*\***

### ITALY

Alatri, 1228

Saint Clare of Assisi, 1240

Bagno di Romagna, 1412  
**Bolsena, 1264**  
Canosio, 1630  
Cascia, 1330  
Cava dei Tirreni, 1656  
Dronero, 1631  
San Mauro La Bruca, 1969  
Ferrara, 1171  
Florence, 1230-1595  
Gruaro (Valvasone), 1294  
**Lanciano, 750 A.D.\*\***  
Macerata, 1356  
Mogoro, 1604  
Morrovalle, 1560  
Offida, 1273-1280  
Patierno (Naples), 1772  
Rimini, 1227  
Rome, VI-VII cent.  
Rome, 1610  
Rosano, 1948  
S. Peter Damian, XI cent.  
Salzano, 1517  
Scala, 1732  
Siena, 1730  
Trani, XI sec.  
Turin, 1453  
Turin, 1640  
Veroli, 1570  
Volterra, 1472

#### MEXICO

**Tixtla, 2006\*\***

#### HOLLAND

Alkmaar, 1429  
Amsterdam, 1345  
Bergen, 1421  
Boxmeer, 1400  
Boxtel-Hoogstraten, 1380  
Breda-Niervaart, 1300  
Meerssen, 1222-1465  
Stiphout, 1342

#### PERU

Eten, 1649

#### POLAND

Krakow, 1345  
Glotowo, 1290  
**Legnica, 2013\*\***  
Poznan, 1399  
**Sokółka 2008\*\***

#### PORTUGAL

**Santarém, 1247**

#### SPAIN

Alboraya-Almacéra, 1348  
Alcalà, 1597  
Alcoy, 1568  
Caravaca de la Cruz, 1231  
Cimballa, 1370  
Daroca, 1239  
Gerona, 1297  
Gorkum-El Escorial, 1572  
**Guadalupe, 1420**  
Ivorra, 1010  
Moncada, 1392  
Montserrat, 1657  
O'Cebreiro, 1300  
**Onil, 1824\*\***  
Ponferrada, 1533  
S. John of the Abbesses, 1251  
**Silla, 1907\*\***  
Valencia  
Zaragoza, 1427

#### SWITZERLAND

Ettiswil, 1447

#### VENEZUELA

**Betania, 1991\*\***

## SAINTS, MYSTICS AND THE EUCHARIST

Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque –  
Sacred Heart of Jesus, 17th Century

Saint Thomas Aquinas, 1224-1274

Saint Francis of Assisi, 13th Century

Saint Bernard of Chiaravalle,  
12th Century

San Giovanni Bosco, 1848

Saint Germaine Cousin (Pibrac), 1589

Saint Egidio

Saint Stanislaus Kostka, 1550-1568

Saint Faustina Kowalska, 20th Century\*\*

Saint Satyrus, 4th Century

Saint Catherine of Siena, 1347-1380

Blessed Alexandrina Maria da Costa,  
1904-1955

Blessed Anne Catherine Emmerich, 1774-  
1824

Blessed Mary of the Passion, 1866-  
1912\*\*

Blessed Nicholas Steno (in Danish)

St. Nicholas of Flue, 1417

Servant of God Anne-Louise Lateau, 1850

Servant of God Marthe Robin, 1902-  
1981\*\*

André Frossard, 20th Century

Teresa Neumann, 1898-1962\*\*

## OUR LADY AND THE EUCHARIST

Calanda, Spain, Miguel-Juan Pellicer, 1640

Fatima, Portugal, The Angel of Peace, 1916\*\*

Guadalupe, Mexico, Juan Diego, 1531

Lourdes, France, Saint Bernadette, 1888

Paris, France, Saint Catherine Labouré, 1830

## MIRACULOUS COMMUNIONS

### Miraculous Communion (part 1)

- Blessed Emilia Bicchieri
- Blessed Imelda Lambertini
- Blessed James of Montieri
- Blessed Thomas of Cori
- Saint Bernard
- Saint Bonaventure
- Saint Gerard Magella
- Saint Jerome
- Saint Juliana Falconieri
- Saint Lucia Filippini
- Saint Maria Francesca of the Five Wounds
- Saint Secondo

### Miraculous Communion (part 2)

- Blessed Angela of Foligno
- Saint Agnes Segni
- Saint Clare Montefalco
- Saint Frances of Rome
- Saint Gregory the Great
- Saint Teresa of Avila

# **AN INTERNATIONAL EXHIBITION DESIGNED AND CREATED BY CARLO ACUTIS**

**Preface by + Angelo Comastri**

## **Vicario del Papa per lo Stato della Città del Vaticano**

A few years ago I published the results of my research on Eucharistic miracles, and, lo and behold, I received a letter that disputed the documentation I had gathered because, as the writer said, Eucharistic "bleedings" were the fruit of a naive era that tended to imagine miracles.

This statement caused me a good deal of suffering. And the reason was simple: things were not that way and the facts spoke for themselves unequivocally.

Was not Padre Pio, a man of the 20th century, a living Eucharistic miracle? His extraordinary life was tied to the Altar, to the Mass and to the Blood.

Who could say that Padre Pio was just an invention of naive people and of visionaries of the 20th century? Teresa Neumann, who died in 1962, in the middle of the 20th century, was nourished for thirty-six years ... just with the Eucharist. Medical commissions took turns at her side and observed her day and night. At the end, they had to admit that the phenomenon was humanly unexplainable.

This, too, was a Eucharistic miracle. Who can deny it?

Marthe Robin, who died in 1981, was nourished for 53 years exclusively with the Eucharist. At times, to the amazement of the witnesses, because she could not swallow, she breathed in the Eucharist in a gesture of profound love toward Jesus present in the Blessed Sacrament. Referring to Marthe Robin, the renowned thinker Jean Guitton, wrote: "The woman I will describe was a woman of the French countryside. She was a woman who perhaps was the strangest, most extraordinary and puzzling person of our era. From my first encounter with her I had the feeling that someday I would not be able not to talk of her." Why? For the very simple reason that her life is a resounding miracle ... tied to the Most Holy Eucharist.

These pages describe many Eucharistic miracles and allow them to speak with great sobriety. It is worth reading these pages to hear the cry of God's love that resounds in every celebration of the Eucharist. Today ... like yesterday! These pages remind us that these Eucharistic miracles are there to reaffirm - together with the Cathedrals, Schools of Theology, Shrines, figurative, literary and musical Art, and Works of charity - that Europe was formed, grew and was nourished with the same faith in Jesus Christ the Nazarene, the one and only Saviour of the world.

+ Angelo Comastri

Vicario del Papa per lo Stato della Città del Vaticano



Cardinal Angelo Comastri

# *Gospel of St. John 6:52-59*

*My flesh is real food and  
my blood is real drink.*

The Jews started arguing with one another: 'How can this man give us his flesh to eat?' they said. Jesus replied:

'I tell you most solemnly, if you do not eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you will not have life in you. Anyone who does eat my flesh and drink my blood has eternal life, and I shall raise him up on the last day.

For my flesh is real food and my blood is real drink.

He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood lives in me and I live in him.

As I, who am sent by the living Father, myself draw life from the Father, so whoever eats me will draw life from me.

This is the bread come down from heaven; not like the bread our ancestors ate: they are dead, but anyone who eats this bread will live for ever.'

He taught this doctrine at Capernaum, in the synagogue.



Tixtla, Mexico 2006