



CARLO ACUTIS

Blessed Are the Righteous

1991–2006

Born in London, United Kingdom

Feast Day: October 12

Patron of young
computer programmers

**“Blessed are they who hunger
and thirst for righteousness,
for they will be satisfied.”**

Matthew 5:6

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Dedication

To my family:
my parents Jim and Peg,
my husband Bill,
our son Sam and daughter-in-law Erin,
and our precious grandchildren
Ben, Lucas, and Andrew

To all the children I have had the privilege
of teaching throughout the years.

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First Edition

Dear Parents and Teachers:

Saints and Me! is a six-set series of children's books about saints, including the holy people of the: *Saints of North America* who served our homeland; *Saints of Christmas*, who teach us to love Jesus; *Saints for Families*, who modeled God's love within and for the domestic Church; *Saints for Communities*, who served Jesus through various roles and professions; and *Saints for Sacraments*, who showed great love for the sacraments.

The eight books in *Saints of the Beatitudes* (a word meaning “a list of blessings from God”) introduce nine holy people who exemplify attributes Jesus articulated in his Sermon on the Mount. Faustina Kowalska's diary *Divine Mercy in My Soul*, read by millions, helped spread God's message of mercy. Patrick, a missionary, brought Christianity to Ireland. Monica prayed her wayward son, Augustine, would return to the faith. He did and was canonized. Katharine Drexel abandoned her comfortable life to become a nun. Carlo Acutis shared his faith and love of the Eucharist through technology. Bernadette Soubirous experienced visions of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Pope John XXIII convoked the Second Vatican Council, hoping to revive the Church. Jude was an apostle of our Lord.

Which saint was captured by pirates and sold into slavery? Name the saints with back-to-back feast days (August 27–28). Who gave \$20 million to build churches and schools? Who created a website about eucharistic miracles? Who did Jesus appear and speak to? Who said, “My job is to inform, not to convince”? Who wrote *Peace on Earth* in 1963? Who is the patron of impossible causes? Find out in the *Saints of the Beatitudes* set—part of the *Saints and Me!* series—and help children connect to the lives of the saints.

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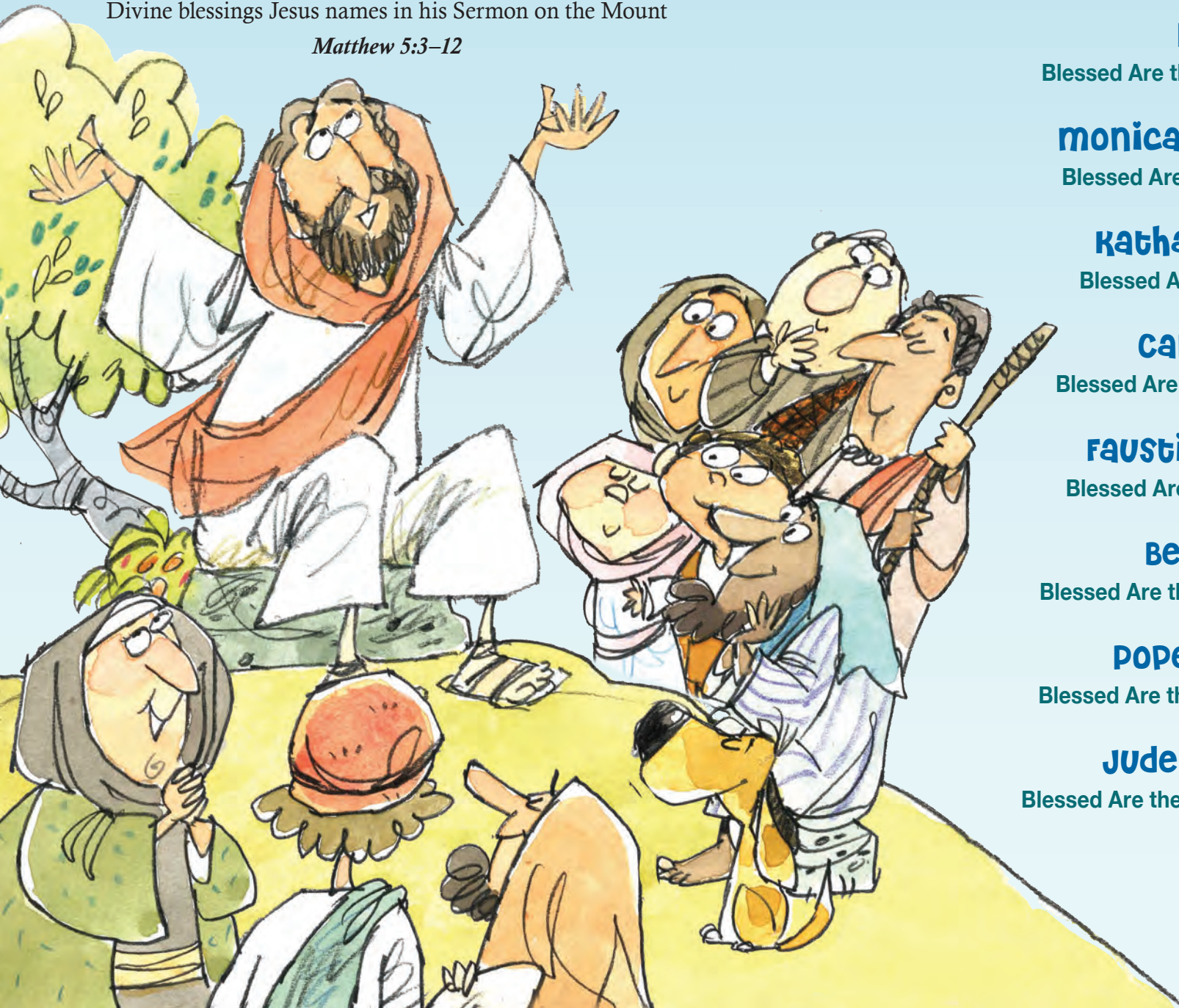
- READ** about the lives of the saints and are inspired by their stories.
- PRAY** to the saints for their intercession.
- CELEBRATE** the saints and relate them to their lives.

Free activities for children to use with this book
may be downloaded at Liguori.org.

The Beatitudes

Divine blessings Jesus names in his Sermon on the Mount

Matthew 5:3–12



saints of the Beatitudes

Patrick

Blessed Are the Poor in Spirit (Verse 3)

monica and Augustine

Blessed Are the Mournful (Verse 4)

Katharine Drexel

Blessed Are the Meek (Verse 5)

Carlo Acutis

Blessed Are the Righteous (Verse 6)

Faustina Kowalska

Blessed Are the Merciful (Verse 7)

Bernadette

Blessed Are the Pure of Heart (Verse 8)

Pope John XXIII


Blessed Are the Peacemakers (Verse 9)

Jude the Apostle


Blessed Are the Persecuted (Verses 10–12)

God gave Blessed Carlo Acutis wonderful gifts. Two gifts were a strong faith and a desire to do the right thing. Carlo knew faith and righteousness were special. He wanted to please God. He did this by growing in holiness, helping people in need, and encouraging everyone he met to love God.





A few months after he was born, his family moved to Milan, Italy. It was a modern city, with old churches, large buildings, museums, and beautiful parks.



Carlo was born in 1991, in London, United Kingdom. He was a cheerful baby with a big smile and dark eyes.

God has a gift for every girl and boy.
He fills your heart with
kindness, love, and joy.



Blessed Carlo, Jesus was your best friend.
The Eucharist gave you hope and strength.
Help me to grow closer to Jesus.
Help me to be holy. Amen.



GLOSSARY (NEW WORDS)

Beatified: A person is named “Blessed” in a special Mass and is one step away from being canonized

Canonization: The formal process that results in declaring someone a saint

COVID-19 pandemic: A serious illness caused by a virus that spread all over the world and led people to make many changes in how they lived their daily lives

Eucharist: The sacrament in which bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ

Eucharistic Adoration: Spending time in a church or chapel, quietly praying to Jesus before the tabernacle or a monstrance

Eucharistic Miracles: These help people believe our Lord is present in the Eucharist. A miracle is an amazing event that cannot be explained.

Leukemia: A serious blood disease

Righteousness: The ability to do the right thing

Soup Kitchen: A place where food is prepared and given to poor people

Technology: The use of computers or software

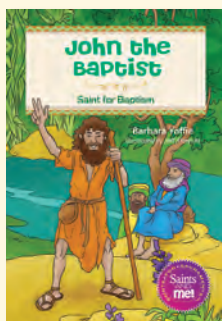
Website: A place on the internet with information about a certain subject

Visit Blessed Carlo Acutis’ eucharistic miracles website:
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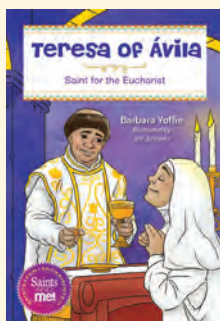
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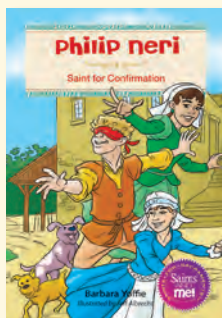
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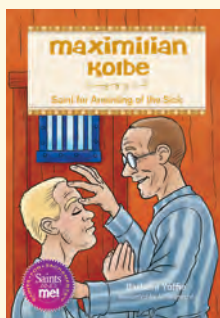
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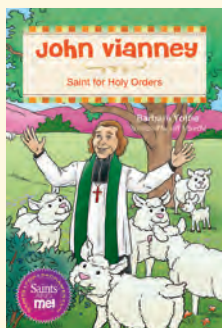
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