



St Carlo Acutis Association

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Who We Are

The St Carlo Acutis Association (CAA) supports parishes in creating safe, joyful and faith filled youth groups inspired by the life of St Carlo Acutis.

We help parishioners who feel called to youth ministry by providing guidance, safeguarding support, resources, templates and mentoring.

Our mission is simple. Every parish should be able to offer a place where young people can belong, grow in confidence and encounter Jesus.

Why We Are Needed

Across many parishes there is little or no youth provision.

Families are travelling long distances to find Catholic youth groups and young people are missing out on community and formation.

Barriers often include:

- Not knowing where to start
- Uncertainty around safeguarding
- Lack of training or experience
- No clear structure or resources

CAA fills this gap by offering a clear pathway and practical support.

Why St Carlo Acutis

St Carlo is a modern witness who shows young people that faith can be lived with joy, kindness and authenticity.

He loved technology, gaming and coding, and used his gifts to share the Gospel. His famous words, **"The Eucharist is my highway to Heaven,"** express the heart of our mission.

His life is relatable, inspiring and rooted in the Eucharist.

He is a powerful guide for young people today.

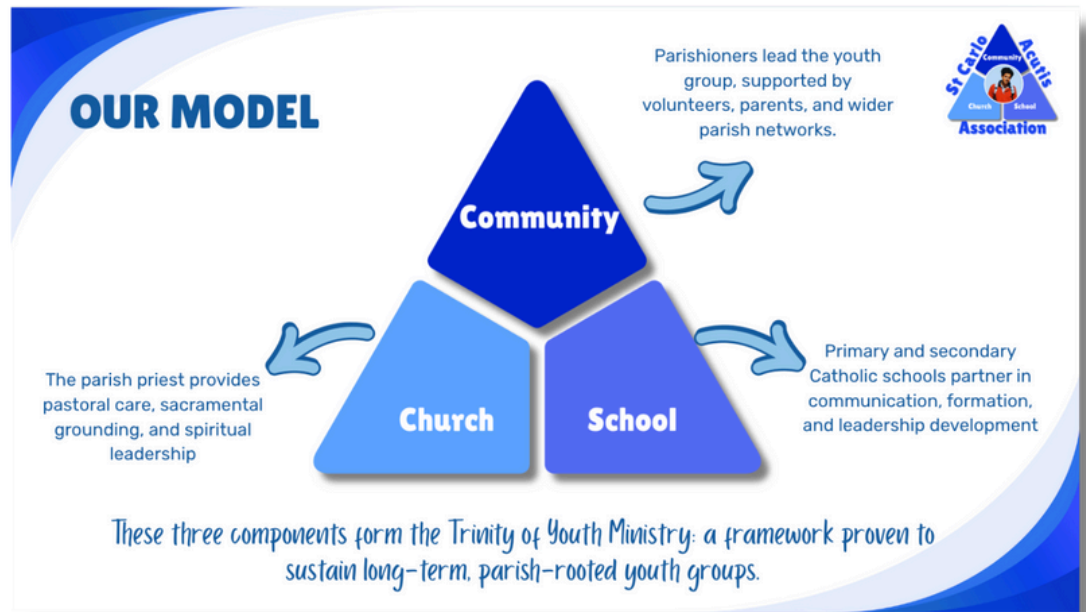




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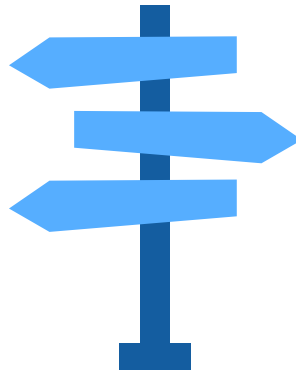
This model is proven, replicable and rooted in the life of the Church



What We Offer

CAA provides parishes with:

- Safeguarding guidance and templates
- Leadership and volunteer support
- Programme ideas and sample sessions
- School partnership guidance
- Communication templates
- Mentoring for new youth leaders
- A clear step by step launch pathway



Everything is written, structured and ready to use.

Impact to Date

The St Carlo Acutis Youth Group in Solihull now spans 3 parishes and welcomes more than 80 young people weekly.

Young people have grown in confidence, faith and leadership, inspired by prayer, community and the example of St Carlo.

Call to Action

We invite parishes to:

- Pray about offering a youth group
- Identify potential volunteers
- Connect with the local school
- Use the CAA pathway and resources
- Start small and grow with confidence

Together we can ensure every young person has a place to belong and encounter Christ.

CAA will walk with you at every stage.