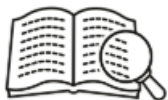


In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

The Word of the Week is encounter.

Encounter is one of the three spiritual foundations for us as part of the Diocese of Nottingham, and it is one of Bishop Patrick's priorities.

Encounter is about meeting Christ and helping others to experience Christ's love.



Saint Mary's Word of the Week: *Encounter*



At the weekend, a very special person called Carlo Acutis was made a saint during Mass celebrated by Pope Leo in Rome.

You can find out more about Carlo Acutis by watching [this short animation](#).



Saint Carlo Acutis was a modern day disciple of Christ who helped others encounter Christ's love.



A Jubilee Year is a great opportunity to seek out and promote opportunities for encounter.

Perhaps you will find extra time for God by saying more prayers or by going on a pilgrimage. Perhaps you will be preparing to make your First Holy Communion this year.

A Jubilee Year also encourages us to help the poor and to support those in need. When we are generous with our time, talents or belongings we can help others experience Christ's love.

God, our Father,
Thank you for giving us Carlo Acutis;
an example of true discipleship
for the young people of today.
Help us, as Carolo did, to show compassion
to the poor and needy.
Help us, through our actions and words, to help everyone
we meet encounter the love of the Lord.
Amen.

Saint Carlo Acutis, **pray for us**.

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

