





Blessed Pier Georgio Frassati

Pier Georgio Frassati was born in Turin, a small city in Italy. His mother was a painter, and his father was a very influential politician and founder of a newspaper. Pier Georgio was a popular, active boy with many interests. He loved the mountain climbing, parties, art, music; and he used all of these as opportunities to share his faith.

Jesus was making Pier Georgio a saint. From a young age, he was blessed with a deep gift of faith. He loved to pray the Rosary, and felt himself drawn to receive Jesus in the Eucharist as much as possible. As a teenager, he would sneak out when it was still dark, and walk for miles in order to attend daily mass in a nearby town. Pier Georgio knew that receiving Jesus in the Eucharist was the most powerful thing he could ever do, especially if he wanted to learn how to serve God and love his friends and family.

As he grew, Pier Georgio worked to bring the love of Jesus to the poor and needy. Secretly, he began using his money to buy food for poor families and medicine for the sick. He spent much of his time helping the needy, especially those who were sick.

Without concern for his own health, he loved the sick – and, eventually, he contracted polio. When he was dying, his only concern was that one of his sick friends get his medicine. At his funeral, everyone expected the many dignitaries and rich who showed up; but nobody expected the thousands of poor – unknown to his family – who lined the streets to say goodbye; people with no idea this young man who had loved them so generously for the past seven years was a member of such an influential



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family, and heir to the Frassati fortune. He had given it all up out of love for them. In 1990, Pope St. John Paul II declared him "*Blessed Pier Georgio, Man of the Beatitudes.*"