## New saints

This decade should see a host of new saints. It's difficult to forecast the progress of Causes as they are dependent on miraculous healings. But those who could be canonised in the 2020s include Blesseds Charles de Foucauld (d 1916), Pier Giorgio Frassati (d 1925), Cyprian Tansi (d 1964), Jerzy Popiełuszko (d 1984), Chiara Badano (d 1990) and the Tibhirine monks (d 1996), as well as the Venerables Augustus Tolton (d 1897) and Cardinal Nguyễn Văn Thuận (d 2002).

Other Causes worth keeping an eye on are those of John Bradburne (*d* 1979), Dorothy Day (*d* 1980), 15-year-old computer expert Carlo Acutis (*d* 2006) and 21st-century Iraqi martyrs such as Ragheed Ghanni (*d* 2007). Any developments in these Causes will

prompt rejoicing throughout the Catholic world and remind us that, however daunting the road ahead, there are always saints among us.

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