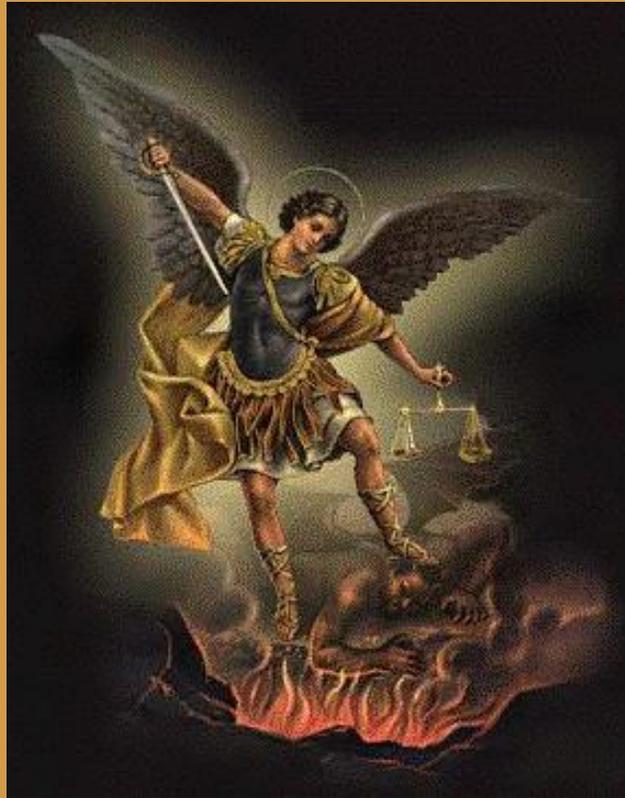


Feast of St. Michael and the Archangels



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Luisa: “Most Holy Virgin, Lovable Mother, come to my aid, obtain for me from Your Sweet Jesus and mine, Grace and Strength in order to do this Obedience. Saint Joseph, my dear protector, assist me in this circumstance of mine. Archangel Saint Michael, defend me from the infernal enemy, who puts so many obstacles in my mind to make me fail this Obedience. Archangel Saint Rafael, and you, my guardian Angel, come to assist me and to accompany me, to direct my hand, that I may write the Truth alone.”

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**MICHAELMAS DAY (Trad) –
Dedication of the Basilica of St. Michael the Archangel (530 - Trad); Sts.
Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels (New) -**

St. Michael appeared more than once to Sister Mary Ephrem:

“Write! I am Michael, Angel Captain of the Lord God of Hosts. I come to announce the coming of the Kingdom, the Kingdom of Peace. The time is at hand. Repent, bestir yourselves, oh sons of men, repent and make ready your hearts that the King may Establish His Kingdom within you. Do not delay or the time of Grace will pass and with it the peace you seek. Behold the Queen of Angels and of men comes beforehand to make all things ready for her King-Son. My little sister, the message is a clear one there is no doubt. Make it known, do not

**hesitate. I, Michael, have spoken.” (letter from Sister Mary Ephrem to her confessor Rev. Leibold – May 8, 1957)
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**PRAYER TO SAINT MICHAEL.
THE ARCHANGEL**

Most glorious Prince of the Heavenly Armies, Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in our battle against principalities and powers, against the rulers of this world of darkness, against the spirits of wickedness in the high places. (Ephes. VI, 12). Come to the assistance of men whom God has created to His likeness and whom he has redeemed at a great price from the tyranny of the devil. Holy Church venerates thee as her guardian and protector; to thee the Lord has entrusted the souls of the redeemed to be led into heaven. Pray, therefore, the God of Peace to crush Satan beneath our feet, that he may no longer retain men captive and do injury to the Church. Offer our prayers to the Most high, that without delay they may draw His mercy down upon us; "take hold of the dragon, the old serpent, which is the devil and Satan", bind him and cast him into the bottomless pit "so that he may no longer seduce the nations". (Apoc. XX, 2)

Exorcism

In the name of Jesus Christ, our God and Lord, strengthened by the intercession of the Immaculate Virgin Mary, Mother of God, of Blessed Michael the Archangel, of the Blessed Apostles, Peter and Paul and all the Saints (Priests only: "and powerful in the holy authority of our ministry"), we confidently undertake and repulse the attacks and deceits of the devil.

Psalm 67: God arises; His enemies are scattered and those who hate Him flee before Him.

As smoke is driven away, so are they driven away; as wax melts before the fire, so the wicked perish at the presence of God.

V. Behold the Cross of the Lord, flee bands of enemies.

R. He has conquered, the Lion of the Tribe of Judah, the offspring of David.

V. May thy mercy, O Lord, descend upon us.

R. As great as our hope in Thee.

The crosses (+) indicate a blessing, if a priest recites the Exorcism; if a layperson recites it, they indicate the Sign of the Cross to be made silently by that person.

We drive you from us, whoever you may be, unclean spirits, all satanic powers, all infernal invaders, all wicked legions, assemblies and sects. In the name and by the power of Our Lord Jesus Christ, + may you be snatched away and driven from the Church of God and from the souls made in the image and likeness of God and redeemed by the Precious Blood of the Divine Lamb. + Most cunning serpent, you shall no more dare to deceive the human race, persecute the Church, torment God's elect and sift them as wheat. + The Most High God commands you. + He with whom, in your great insolence, you still claim to be equal. "He who wants all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth" (1Tim., II), God the Father commands you. + God the Son commands you. + God the Holy Ghost commands you. + Christ, God's Word made Flesh commands you; + He who to save our race outdone through your envy "humbled Himself, becoming obedient even unto death" (Phil., II, 8); He who has built His Church on a firm rock and declared that "the gates of hell shall not prevail against Her, because He

will dwell with Her all days even to the end of the world" (St. Mark XXVIII, 20) The Sacred Sign of the Cross commands you. + as does also the power of the mysteries of the Christian faith. + The glorious Mother of God, the Virgin Mary, commands you; + She who by her humility and from the first moment of her Immaculate Conception crushed your proud head. The faith of the Holy Apostles Peter and Paul and of the other Apostles commands you. + The blood of the Martyrs and the pious intercession of all the Saints command you. +

Thus, cursed dragon, and you diabolical legions, we adjure you by the living God, + by the true God, + by the holy God, + by the God "who so loved the world that He gave up His only Son, that every soul believing in Him might not perish but have life everlasting" (St. John, III); stop deceiving human creatures and pouring out to them the poison of eternal damnation; stop harming (name) and the Church and hindering her liberty. Be gone, Satan, inventor and master of all deceit, enemy of man's salvation. Give place to Christ in whom you have found none of your works; give place to the One, Holy and Apostolic Church acquired by Christ at the price of His Blood. Stoop beneath the all-powerful Hand of God; tremble and flee when we invoke the Holy and terrible Name of Jesus, the Name which causes hell to tremble, this Name to which the Virtues, Powers and Dominations of heaven are humbly submissive, this Name the Cherubim and Seraphim do praise unceasingly repeating: Holy, Holy, Holy is the Lord, the God of Armies.

V. O Lord, Hear my prayer.

R. And let my cry come unto Thee.

V. May the Lord be with Thee.

R. And with thy spirit.

Let us pray. ---God of Heaven, God of earth, God of Angels, God of Archangels, God of Patriarchs, God of Prophets, God of Apostles, God of Martyrs, God of Confessors, God of Virgins, God who has the power to give life after death and rest after work, because there is no other God than Thee and there can be no other, for Thou who are the Creator of all things, visible and invisible, of whose reign there shall be no end, we humbly prostrate ourselves before Thy glorious Majesty and we beseech Thee to deliver (name) and us by Thy power from all the tyranny of the infernal spirits, from their snares, and their furious, wicked lies; deign, O Lord, to grant us Thy powerful protection and to keep us safe and sound. We beseech Thee through Jesus Christ, Our Lord. Amen.

From the snares of the devil, deliver us, O Lord.

That Thy Church may serve Thee in peace and liberty, we beseech Thee to hear us.

That Thou may crush down all enemies of Thy Church, we beseech Thee to hear us.

(Holy water is then sprinkled in the place where we may be.)

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Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in the battle; be our protection against the wickedness and the snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who wander throughout the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, have mercy on us.

Feast of the Archangels — Saints Michael, Gabriel and Raphael



September 29th, the Church celebrates the feast of the archangels. Angels are purely incorporeal, rational beings, extensions of God himself, personifying His grace, majesty and intellect. The Angelic Doctor explains that each individual angel is its own species within the genus "angel". Archangels have important roles in the history of salvation. There is no doubt that the archangels Michael, Gabriel and Raphael — the only angels named in Sacred Scripture, have been instrumental in advancing God's divine plan, both in heaven and on earth.

Saint Michael

St. Michael, the "Prince of the Heavenly Host", is second only to the Mother of God in leading the angels. His name in Hebrew means "Who is like God?". It was Michael who commanded heaven's forces in casting down Lucifer and the fallen angels into hell. In 1886, after receiving a prophetic vision of the evil to be visited upon the world in the 20th century, Pope Leo XIII instituted a prayer invoking St. Michael's protection. Scripture mentions him four times (in Daniel 10:13-21 and 12:1, in Jude 1:9 and in Revelation 12:7-9).

The Church recognizes four distinct offices of St. Michael; 1.) to oppose Satan, 2.) to defend the souls of the faithful against the power of Satan, especially at the hour of death. 3.) to champion God's people, 4.) to accompany souls to their particular judgment, bring them to purgatory, and present them to God following their purgation before entering heaven.

Patron saint: against temptations, against powers of evil, artists, radiologists, bakers, bankers, battle, cemeteries, endangered children, dying, emergency medical technicians, holy death, paramedics, paratroopers, police officers, sailors, the sick, security forces, soldiers, and against storms at sea, among others.

Saint Gabriel

Saint Gabriel's name means "God's strength". He is mentioned in Scripture four times. Gabriel is the archangel most affiliated with the Incarnation and earthly ministry of Christ. Twice in Luke's Gospel, he foretells the arrival of consequential figures: the birth of John the Baptist to his father Zacharias (Luke 1:11–25) and the birth of the Savior to the Virgin Mary (Luke 1:26–38).

Tradition holds that Gabriel appeared to Saint Joseph and to the shepherds, and that he "strengthened" Christ during his agony in the garden of Gethsemane.

Patron saint: ambassadors, broadcasting, childbirth, clergy, communications, diplomats, messengers, philatelists, postal workers, public relations, radio workers, secular clergy, stamp collectors and telecommunications, among others.

Saint Raphael

All that we know of Saint Raphael, whose name means "God has healed", comes from the Book of Tobit in which he heals Tobias' blindness. His office, according to popular piety, is that of healing and facilitating acts of mercy. He is affiliated with young people venturing into world, particularly concerning learning and marriage.

The angel in John's Gospel who descended to the pool of Bethesda and imbued it with healing powers so that the first to enter it after it moved would be healed of whatever infirmity they possessed is identified with Raphael (John 5:1-4).

Patron saint: physicians, medical workers, love, lovers, mental illness, nurses, pharmacists, shepherds, against sickness, therapists, travelers, young people; young people leaving home for the first time, the blind, happy meetings, matchmakers, Christian marriage, and Catholic studies, among others.

Almighty and everliving God, who disposes in marvelous order ministries both angelic and human, graciously grant that our life on earth may be defended by those who watch over us as they minister perpetually to you in heaven. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

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