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“Therefore, brethren, stand fast; and hold the traditions which you have learned, whether by word, or by our epistle.” –St. Paul, 2 Thess. 2:14, DRV

In honor of St. Michael, we are dedicating this issue to the first angel to stand with God against the fallen angels.



MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRMAN

L. J. Hammonds

Dear faithful fellow Catholics,

Frequent reflection of one's last end has recently been on my mind resulting from the death of a

good friend. This is what our Catholic faith is, a preparation for our ultimate end.

The Baltimore Catechism teaches, God made man to know Him, to love Him, and to serve Him in this world and to be happy with Him in the next. Psalm 99:3 says “Know ye that the Lord, He is God: He made us, and we are not ourselves.” The Catholic Church is not a self-help group with motivational speakers or a fitness club for healthy bodies and well-being. It is primarily for the salvation of souls due to our inheritance of original sin. With a teaching magisterium, that gave us the infallible word of God, ordained men - given authority by God - through apostolic succession, provide us with the Seven Sacraments necessary for salvation. “We must not fear death, but embrace it” Matthew 16:24.

So pray, don't worry, and be happy. -St. Padre Pio.

Chairman Hammonds

PARISH NEWS

Births/Weddings/Deaths/Prayer Requests/ Special Events

Several of our expectant Moms are due in the next few months. Please keep them and their babies in your prayers. Thank you.

The November issue will inaugurate a new section in the newsletter. All Souls Day is November 2nd; if you have a family member who has passed whom you would like the community to pray for, please submit their name by October 25th (deadline for the November issue). Please submit names to any member of the board (L J Hammonds, Taylor Miller, Kevin McLaughlin, or Alisa Craddock), or one of the newsletter co-editors (Kevin McLaughlin, Katherine Owens).

St. Edward's

There was a good turn-out for the August movie night. Lots of smiles and good times, and everyone enjoyed *Fatima*! The parish's Knights even lent a popcorn machine for the event.



The St. Michael's Lent, first started by St. Francis of Assisi began on August 16th and lasts until Michaelmas (September 29th). Fr. Donovan gave a sermon about this devotion and more information can be heard here: <https://youtu.be/Uyed06ayUt8>.

On Tuesday, September 7th at 7pm Scriptural study starts with Fr. Donovan on every Tuesday. The readings will be out of the Gospel of John.

Wednesday, September 15th at 6:30pm there will be a Schola training for older teens and adults who

would like to learn Gregorian Chant. Throughout the autumn, these will take place on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month in the Family Center.

The first fall homeschooling Friday Latin Mass (Low) will be at 12noon on September 17th. Please pack a lunch for afterwards in the Family Center.

SAVE THE DATE: On October 13th the parish of St. Edward's will be dedicated to St. Joseph and the 80th anniversary of the parish will be celebrated. There is a 33-day optional preparatory period for those who choose to also make a personal/family consecration that starts on September 11th. The book recommended to guide you through the preparation is *Consecration to St. Joseph*. Copies are available at the parish for a donation and should begin on Saturday, September 11th.

Immaculate Conception

Fr. Martin is going to be offering a lecture series entitled "The First Five Books: An Orientation to the Pentateuch" starting Thursday, September 9th from 6pm to 7pm in Leon Hall.

St. Joseph's

Bishop Estevez has informed the priests at St. Joseph's that the Latin Mass may continue as it is currently offered at this parish.

The next Sunday social will be on September 12th from 1pm to 3pm. To sign up to bring food, please go here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20foc4faaa822a4f85-sunday>.

St. Michael's

SSPX Florida has started a Spiritual Bouquet for Governor DeSantis to thank him for everything he has done for our state in the last year and a half. To sign up, please go here: [Sign Up for the Spiritual Bouquet for Florida Governor Ron DeSantis - St. Thomas More Priory \(spxflorida.com\)](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20foc4faaa822a4f85-sunday).

It is good for Catholics to recognize and encourage Catholic leaders and strong politicians. The state of Florida has been blessed to have as its Governor Ron DeSantis, a Catholic politician who provides strong leadership from Tallahassee.

Part of this spiritual bouquet is asking our Governor to consecrate Florida to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Deadline to sign up is Thursday, September 30th.

The next workday is scheduled for after the 1st Saturday Mass (9a.m.) on September 4th. Please bring yard tools and cleaning supplies to assist.

Children's catechism for younger and older children will start on September 12th on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month following the 10a.m. Mass. Adult catechism starts in September. This month it will be on the 3rd Sunday after the 10a.m. Mass.

Due to Father's schedule, the Solemnity of St. Michael will be celebrated on Sunday, September 26th. There will be a potluck after the 10a.m. Mass for those who are interested.

SAVE THE DATE: Saturday, October 23rd will be the St. Michael the Archangels' Octoberfest Rummage Sale. The sale will be from 8a.m. to 4p.m. at St. Michael's. Monies will be put toward the building fund to enlarge the chapel.

St. Patrick's

A new choir is forming at St. Patrick's for the 1st Sunday Latin Mass. To join or ask questions, please contact Mr. & Mrs. Cameron and Emily Hardin at [REDACTED]. Practice is on Tuesday nights from 5pm-6pm followed by an hour of adoration and confession.

Also Fr. Liguori has some news:

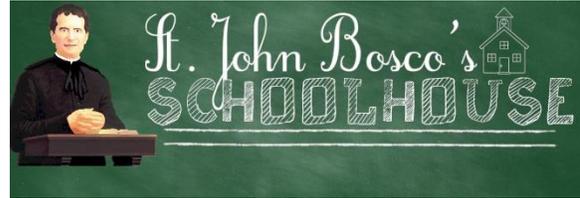
The Vatican International Exhibition of Eucharistic Miracles is coming to St. Patrick's September 25/26, 2021!

The Vatican International Exhibition is comprised of a set of 146 posters about Miracles related to the Eucharist that happened around the world. The verified accounts date from as early as the 3rd century, the latest in 2001. Its purpose is to increase the awareness of the Real Presence of our Lord in the Eucharist: the consecrated bread becomes His Body and the consecrated wine becomes His Blood!

Saturday, September 25, 8a.m.-7p.m.
Sunday, September 26, 8a.m.-5p.m.

ST. JOHN BOSCO HOMESCHOOL CO-OP

Submitted by Jo Edmondson



Learning is well underway at the St. John Bosco Schoolhouse in Jacksonville, which began its second year on August 16th. The homeschool cooperative celebrated its inaugural year in 2020-2021 with twenty-two students. This year, thirty-two students are enrolled for the fall semester.

The curriculum for the first term of this semester includes a class in virtues and is based on the theology of St. John Bosco, a course in art where students are learning about the elements of art and other foundational building blocks to improve their artistic skills, as well as a physical education class that is split by age into fun PE games for the younger children, and beginner's traditional archery for the older age group. We also have a class for our pre-k group, where the children are learning letters, numbers, and our Catholic faith by listening to stories and doing craft related activities that reinforce what they have learned.

We are looking forward to the other classes we have lined up as well, such as, woodworking and ballroom dancing. Please keep all our students and teachers in your prayers as we continue to educate the next generation of traditional Catholics!

St. John Bosco, pray for us!

Lucy Walker, Co-Director
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ASK FATHER

Have a burning theological or practical question related to the Catholic Faith not appropriate for the Confessional? Please email one or both editors and we'll forward your question to our participating priests.

UNA VOCE FUNDRAISER RAFFLE

Mr. & Mrs. Ed Wnorowski donated two Our Lady of Guadalupe throws to our Una Voce chapter to use as a fundraiser in 2020.

Alisa Craddock was the winner of the drawing on August 15th.



drew the name out of the hat

The next drawing is scheduled for 12/12/21 (Gaudete Sunday; Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe). Here is the throw that you will be drawing for:



The money raised by Una Voce will be used for good projects. Money from our chapter in the past has been used to send Diocesan priests to institutes to learn to say the Latin Mass, purchase altar missals, etc.

Thank you to everyone who purchased tickets for the first drawing.

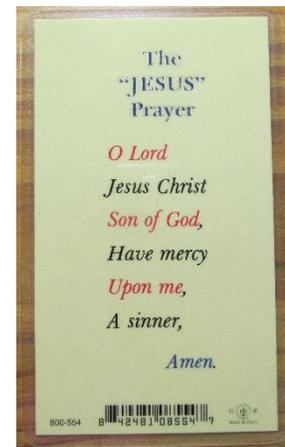
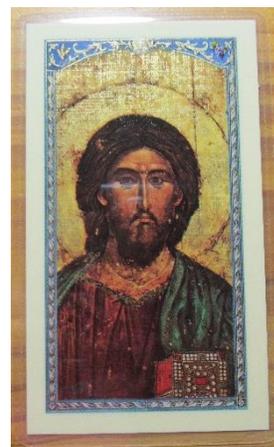
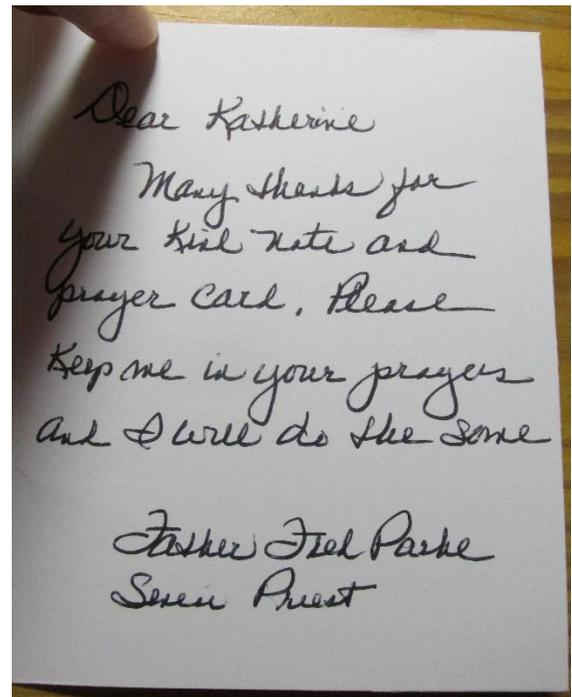
Tickets for the raffle are \$5. You may purchase tickets through Paypal using kevinmcla@unavocejax.org or by check made out

to “Kevin McLaughlin” and sent to [REDACTED]. I’ll keep track of your purchase and confirm everyone who has donated by email. Physical tickets won’t be sent out.

DIOCESAN NEWS

Prayers for Priests

The priests, seminarian, and our Bishop received their holy card letting them know we are praying for them in August. Fr. Parke sent us a Holy Card in return.



Canonical Coronation of Our Lady of La Leche

The image of Our Lady of La Leche will receive an official Coronation on Sunday, October 10, 2021, at the Cathedral Basilica in St. Augustine. Our Lady is the fourth site in the United States with a statue that is officially crowned. As the Pope is not able to do the coronation himself, his appointed representative, Bishop Estevez, will be conducting the ceremony and celebrating the Mass. A list of surrounding events is included at the end of this newsletter, or you can go to: [Coronation | Diocese of St. Augustine | Jacksonville, Florida \(dosafli.com\)](https://dosafli.com).

She will be enthroned on Monday, October 11, 2021 back at the Mission Grounds. The Bishop has called for a Spiritual Bouquet-Rosary Congress from September 24th to October 1st in advance of the coronation. There will be a Mass as part of the Rosary Congress each day at a different parish in the Diocese.

St. Patrick's has been selected as one of the parishes that will have a Rosary Congress. Fr. Liguori will also be keeping the church open for 24-hour adoration starting at 9a.m. on Tuesday, September 28th through 8a.m. Wednesday, September 29th. Each participating parish will have a different theme for the day. St. Patrick's designated day is Tuesday, September 28th and the theme is: "In thanksgiving for raising up Catholic priest sons who proclaim the Gospel of Life."

Saint Joseph Summit

From September 30th to October 3rd there will be a long weekend discussion on the importance of St. Joseph. Guest speakers include Cardinals Dolan and O'Malley, Archbishop Salvatore, Fr. Calloway, Dr. Hahn, and Mr. Wahlberg. For more information, including how to register, please go here: <http://saintjosephsummit.com>.

NEED A RELIGIOUS EXEMPTION?

Submitted by Katie Lane

Archbishop Schneider is providing a way for Catholics to get a medical exemption from the COVID-19 shots that employers may require. For more information, please go here: [The Confraternity of Our Lady of Fatima - Religious](#)

[Exemption to Abortion-Tainted Vaccines \(livefatima.io\)](https://livefatima.io). This does not guarantee that employers will honor the exemption request.

WHERE IN THE DOUAY?

For the month of September let's look at all the places in the Holy Scriptures that St. Michael is mentioned. He is mentioned 5 times:

But the prince of the kingdom of the Persians resisted me one and twenty days: and behold Michael, one of the chief princes, came to help me, and I remained there by the king of the Persians.

--Daniel 10:13

But I will tell thee what is set down in the scripture of truth: and none is my helper in all these things, but Michael your prince.

--Daniel 10:21

But at that time shall Michael rise up, the great prince, who standeth for the children of thy people: and a time shall come such as never was from the time that nations began even until that time. And at that time shall thy people be saved, every one that shall be found written in the book.

--Daniel 12:1

When Michael the archangel, disputing with the devil, contended about the body of Moses, he durst not bring against him the judgment of railing speech, but said: The Lord command thee. --Jude 1:9

And there was a great battle in heaven, Michael and his angels fought with the dragon, and the dragon fought and his angels: and they prevailed not, neither was their place found any more in heaven. And that great dragon was cast out that old serpent, who is called the devil and Satan, who seduceth the whole world; and he was cast unto the earth, and his angels were thrown down with him.

--Apoc 12:7-9

Although many of these passages are veiled and difficult to fully understand, we can certainly conclude that St. Michael the Archangel is the helper of God's people, that he executes the will of

God, and that he is right there in battle against our infernal enemy!

St. Michael the Archangel, pray for us and help us in battle!

LITANY TO ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

Lord, have mercy on us.

Jesus Christ, have mercy on us.

Lord, have mercy on us.

Jesus Christ, hear us.

Jesus Christ, graciously hear us.

God the Father, of Heaven, **R.** Have mercy on us.

God the Son, Redeemer of the world, **R.** Have mercy on us.

God the Holy Ghost, **R.** Have mercy on us.

Holy Trinity, one God. **R.** Have mercy on us.

Holy Mary, Queen of Angels, **R.** Pray for us.

Saint Michael, **R.** Pray for us.

Saint Michael, filled with the wisdom of God, **R.** Pray for us.

Saint Michael, perfect adorer of the Word Incarnate, **R.** Pray for us.

Saint Michael, crowned with honour and glory, **R.** Pray for us.

Saint Michael, most powerful Prince of the Armies of the Lord, **R.** Pray for us.

Saint Michael, standard-bearer of the Most Holy Trinity, **R.** Pray for us.

Saint Michael, guardian of Paradise, **R.** Pray for us.

Saint Michael, guide and consoler of the people of Israel, **R.** Pray for us.

Saint Michael, fortress of the Church Militant, **R.** Pray for us.

Saint Michael, honour and joy of the Church Triumphant, **R.** Pray for us.

Saint Michael, Light of the Angels, **R.** Pray for us.

Saint Michael, rampart of the orthodox, fight under the standard of the cross, **R.** Pray for us.

Saint Michael, light and confidence of souls at the hour of death, **R.** Pray for us.

Saint Michael, most assured help, **R.** Pray for us.

Saint Michael our help in all our adversities, **R.** Pray for us.

Saint Michael, herald of the eternal sentence, **R.** Pray for us.

Saint Michael, consoler of the souls detained in the flames of Purgatory, **R.** Pray for us.

Thou whom the Lord has changed to receive souls after death, **R.** Pray for us.

Saint Michael, our Prince, **R.** Pray for us.

Saint Michael, our advocate, **R.** Pray for us.
Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world; **R.** Have mercy on us. [3 times]

Waters, John. *The Little Treasury of Leaflets*. Vol 2. 1914. Reprint.

OUR BLESSED MOTHER MARY

Submitted by Kevin McLaughlin

What is our Lady's relationship to St. Michael the Archangel and all the rest of the angels?

The Litany of the Blessed Virgin gives us a clue:

Regina Angelorum, ora pro nobis!
(Queen of Angels, pray for us!)

Another interesting excerpt from *The Divine Mysteries of the Most Holy Rosary*, taken from *The Mystical City of God* by the Venerable Mary of Jesus of Agreda gives us more clues:

After placing the Most Blessed Mary on this exalted and supereminent Throne, The Lord declared to the Courtiers of Heaven all the privileges She should enjoy in virtue of this participation in His Majesty. The Person of the Eternal Father, as the first principle of all things, speaking to the Angels and Saints, said to them:

Our daughter Mary was chosen according to Our pleasure from amongst all creatures, the first one to delight Us, and who never fell from the title and position of a True Daughter, such as We had given Her in Our Divine Mind; She has a claim on Our dominion, which We shall recognize by crowning Her as the legitimate and peerless Lady and Sovereign.

The Incarnate Word said:

To My True and Natural Mother belong all the creatures which were created and redeemed by Me; and of all things over which I am King, She too shall be the legitimate and Supreme Queen.

The Holy Ghost said:

Since She is called My Beloved and Chosen Spouse, She deserves to be crowned as Queen for all eternity.

Having thus spoken the Three Divine Persons placed upon the head of the Most Blessed Mary a crown of such new splendor and value, that the like has been seen neither before nor after by any mere creature. At the same time a voice sounded from the throne saying:

My Beloved, chosen among the creatures, Our Kingdom is Thine; **Thou shalt be the Lady and Sovereign of the Seraphim, of all the Ministering Spirits, the Angels and of the entire universe of creatures...**

From the chapter entitled: “The Crowning of the Blessed Virgin Mary as Queen of Heaven and Earth.”

Amazing! *Regina Angelorum, ora pro nobis!*

HISTORY OF THE ST. MICHAEL PRAYER

Submitted by Katherine Owens



Master of Belmonte, “Saint Michael,” c.1450-1500

Some of you may remember a few years ago when the Leonine Prayers were declared by Fr. Gaynes at Immaculate Conception to be a “local” tradition that was not appropriate to be led/said by the priest at the conclusion of Mass. You may also recall how we balked and after some little time and several attempts at explanations – under certain conditions – he permitted these important prayers to be said again.

The tradition of the development of prayers being formalized at the end of Mass was that priests noticed the faithful were loathe to leave the church immediately upon the conclusion of Mass, remaining to pray private devotions, and over time the formula we use know today was approved by Holy Mother Church; although the actual form differs by time and place (in some places a final blessing with the host in a Monstrance, or sprinkling of the congregation with Holy Water, prayers against bad weather or other calamities) (Jungmann, *The Mass of the Roman Rite*, 451-455).

When the Papal States were threatened in 1859, Pope Pius IX provided the “kernel” of the Prayers at the Foot of the Altar for intercessory purposes in the affected areas of Italy. In 1884, Pope Leo XIII widened the saying of these prayers to the Universal Church as part of his campaign to keep the Church free of government control in Germany, and Pope Pius XI in 1934 declared that these prayers should be said specifically for the Church in Russia, which come with a 10 years’ indulgence when said (Jungmann, *The Mass of the Roman Rite*, 456; Lefebvre, *The Saint Andrews Daily Missal*, 935). However, on June 20, 1913, High or Solemn Masses were exempt from having these prayers said (Lefebvre, *The Saint Andrews Daily Missal*, 935).

What you ask, does this have to do with the St. Michael prayer?

Mr. McLaughlin unknowingly, with his article above, provided a wonderful introduction to what my own research uncovered. There is a very strong connection within Church tradition of Blessed Mother to St. Michael the Archangel! Bishop Ronald Gainer of the Diocese of Harrisburg in 2019 gave a talk that was taped and posted on *Youtube* to a group of high schoolers in his Diocese, “St. Michael the Archangel: Who is He?”

Angel = messenger = the duty/responsibility of these spiritual beings

St. Michael is called: a prince, “vanquisher of evil spirits,” and “guardian of souls.” He is one very busy angel because these names correlate to his four duties: 1) lead the spiritual battle against satan, 2) save souls, especially at the moment of death, 3) protect the people of God (in the Bible it is he who was/is the angel for the nation of Israel),

but he is also protector of the Catholic Church and her members, and 4) upon the death of a soul, he conducts it into the presence of God.

From at least the 9th century, Michaelmas (Sept. 29th) was an important feast day in the life of the Church until Vatican II turned this date into the Feast of Archangels (St. Michael, St. Gabriel, and St. Raphael).

Bishop Gainer concludes his talk by explaining that there are four most important prayers to or including St. Michael:

1. The oldest (in its traditional form as we say it) is the Confiteor: “I confess to almighty God, to blessed Mary ever Virgin, **to blessed Michael the archangel...**”
2. The Litany of Saints (which apparently was also changed after VCI): “Lord, have mercy on us... Holy Mary, pray for us. Holy Mother of God, pray for us. Holy Virgin of virgins, pray for us. **St. Michael, pray for us...**”
3. During a solemn exorcism the Blessed Virgin Mary is invoked first, and St. Michael, second.
4. The St. Michael prayer.

Bishop Gainer explained that the importance of St. Michael always being listed second after the Blessed Virgin Mary shows the extreme importance and veneration for this Archangel who was the first to step forward and say yes after Satan’s no when God asked which angels would do His will, and those who would not. Note too in the “Litany to St. Michael the Archangel” we included in this newsletter that Our Lady is invoked first, and then St. Michael with a variety of titles.

There are two versions of the 1884 vision by Pope Leo XIII of Satan’s control over the world and how it would become more pronounced. In one version, after Mass while with his advisors, he suddenly collapsed and as he had no pulse, a doctor was called. After being thought dead, he revived and told those present about his vision. In the other version, he was concluding Mass when he became transfixed and his face drained of color. In this version, the date given for the vision is October 13, 1884 (33 years before the Miracle of the Sun at Fatima).

Regardless of which version is correct, a horrified and distressed Pope wrote the St. Michael prayer that we all know and love. Or did he?

Here is the original Prayer to St. Michael:

“O Glorious Prince of the heavenly host, St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in the battle and in the terrible warfare that we are waging against the principalities and powers, against the rulers of this world of darkness, against the evil spirits. Come to the aid of man, whom Almighty God created immortal, made in His own image and likeness, and redeemed at a great price from the tyranny of Satan.

“Fight this day the battle of the Lord, together with the holy angels, as already thou hast fought the leader of the proud angels, Lucifer, and his apostate host, who were powerless to resist thee, nor was there place for them any longer in Heaven. That cruel, ancient serpent, who is called the devil or Satan who seduces the whole world, was cast into the abyss with his angels. Behold, this primeval enemy and slayer of men has taken courage. Transformed into an angel of light, he wanders about with all the multitude of wicked spirits, invading the earth in order to blot out the name of God and of His Christ, to seize upon, slay and cast into eternal perdition souls destined for the crown of eternal glory. This wicked dragon pours out, as a most impure flood, the venom of his malice on men of depraved mind and corrupt heart, the spirit of lying, of impiety, of blasphemy, and the pestilent breath of impurity, and of every vice and iniquity.

“These most crafty enemies have filled and inebriated with gall and bitterness the Church, the spouse of the immaculate Lamb, and have laid impious hands on her most sacred possessions. In the Holy Place itself, where the See of Holy Peter and the Chair of Truth has been set up as the light of the world, they have raised the throne of their abominable impiety, with the iniquitous design that when the Pastor has been struck, the sheep may be scattered.

“Arise then, O invincible Prince, bring help against the attacks of the lost spirits to the people of God, and give them the victory. They venerate thee as their protector and patron; in thee holy Church glories as her defense against the malicious power

of hell; to thee has God entrusted the souls of men to be established in heavenly beatitude. Oh, pray to the God of peace that He may put Satan under our feet, so far conquered that he may no longer be able to hold men in captivity and harm the Church. Offer our prayers in the sight of the Most High, so that they may quickly find mercy in the sight of the Lord; and vanquishing the dragon, the ancient serpent, who is the devil and Satan, do thou again make him captive in the abyss, that he may no longer seduce the nations. Amen.

“V. Behold the Cross of the Lord; be scattered ye hostile powers.

“R. The Lion of the tribe of Judah has conquered, the root of David.

“V. Let Thy mercies be upon us, O Lord.

“R. As we have hoped in Thee.

“V. O Lord, hear my prayer.

“R. And let my cry come unto Thee.
Let us pray.

“O God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, we call upon Thy holy Name, and as supplicants, we implore Thy clemency, that by the intercession of Mary, ever Virgin Immaculate and our Mother, and of the glorious St. Michael the Archangel, Thou wouldst deign to help us against Satan and all the other unclean spirits who wander about the world for the injury of the human race and the ruin of souls. Amen.”

There is some confusion as to who wrote the shortened version we know today. Most sources indicate that it was Pope Leo XIII who shortened the prayer, while one source claims this happened in 1934 and replaced the longer version that Pope Leo XIII wanted said at the end of Mass along with the *Salve Regina*. Fr. Jungmann is completely silent on this point, saying only:

As regards their construction, the prayers of Leo XIII follow in all essentials the laws of form of the Roman liturgy. Whereas earlier examples of similar prayers in need regularly began with psalms, here the more popular element of the Hail Mary was chosen; with the petition which is a part of it, this prayer is recited three times, and then the *Salve Regina* is added to further enforce the tone of supplication. As we know, the effort to give the liturgical celebration a Marian note in the high Middle Ages led to the practice of

concluding the canonical office, or at least certain hours of it, with a Marian antiphon... Finally, to this addition other further additions were made, and again we cannot affirm that these additions have any intrinsic relationship to what has gone before. Leo XIII himself, in 1886, when issuing the new form of the oration, added the invocation to the Archangel Michael (Jungmann, *The Mass of the Roman Rite*, 457-458).

This cry to St. Michael by Pope Leo XIII did not end with the writing of the above prayer, nor even with adding it to the prescribed prayers at the Foot of the Altar. In 1889, he wrote another prayer that is a form of exorcism to be said only by the clergy.

In 1994, Pope John Paul II spoke to the Universal Church encouraging all members to say the St. Michael prayer on a regular basis saying in part, “The prayer can fortify us for that spiritual battle about which the Letter to the Ephesians speaks (of): ‘Finally, draw your strength from the Lord and from his mighty power.’ (Ephesians 6:10).” [The vision of Pope Leo XIII - The prayer to St. Michael - Michael Journal](#)

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[Pope Leo XIII's Original Prayer to St. Michael – a Prophecy \(vaticancatholic.com\)](#)

[St. Michael the Archangel prayer, short and long versions \(traditioninaction.org\)](#)

[St Michael the Archangel: Who is he? - YouTube](#)

THE SWORD OF ST. MICHAEL

Submitted by Katherine Owens

Have you heard of the sword of St. Michael, the line of churches from Ireland into Israel?



Seven monasteries on a straight line across Europe, they are said to be along the path St. Michael used when chasing the devil back into hell.

The first one is located in Ireland, on an island that legend indicates is the one where St. Michael appeared to St. Patrick to render assistance in converting the Irish, Skellig Michael. A hermit of this island converted the Norwegian king, Olaf Trygvasson, after 100 years of raiding, rapine, and murder.



On the Cornish coast is St. Michael's Inlet/St. Michael's Mount. St. Michael's appearance in this location was to a group of fishermen in 495 to warn them of danger. According to legend, in those days, he appeared frequently to guide fishermen to safety.



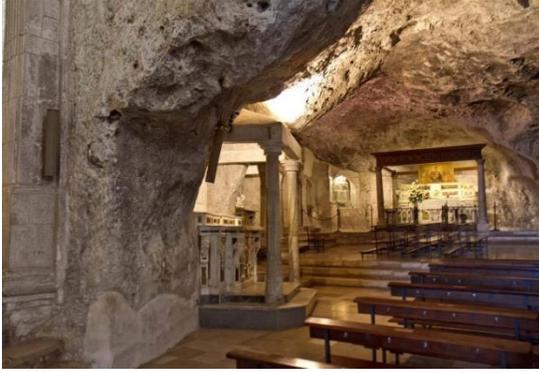
Mont-Saint-Michel in Normandy is next on the list. St. Michael appeared here in 709 to St. Aubert to ask that a church be built on the island. As with Skellig Michael, this was a locale much attacked by the Vikings before their conversion. The church was completed in 900.



Sacra di San Michele is the next church/monastery along the line located on top of Mount Pirchiriano in northern Italy. It was built by the Benedictines starting in 1000. It is 1000 km from Mont-Saint-Michel. St. Michael appeared here in 983 requesting a church be built by St. Giovanni Vincenzo.



Also in Italy, 1000 km away is Santuario di San Michele Archangelo/Monte San Angelo where St. Michael appeared in 490 and again in 663. This sanctuary is located in a cavern! It is the oldest St. Michael chapel in Europe, and St. Michael performed the consecration himself. In the 17th century, St. Michael appeared again in answer to prayers from a local bishop during a pestilence. St. Michael intervened.



In Greece on the island of Symi is Symi's Monastery/Monastery of Taxiarchis where a 9.84 ft tall statue of St. Michael resides. This is one of the largest St. Michael statues in the world. The tower was built in the early 20th century, despite its Baroque appearance. This is the newest site along the Sword of St. Michael, having been started in the 18th century.



And our last stop, Mount Carmel Monastery/Stella Maria Monastery is in Haifa, Israel. The monastery location dates to the 12th century and has connections with Our Lady, and with the Carmelites. During Biblical times, it is believed that upon Mt. Carmel St. Michael gave Elijah thunder.



The line not only connects sites associated with St. Michael the Archangel but is also the line upon which the sun sets in the Northern Hemisphere at the summer solstice. R. Jarad Staudt in his online article about these churches points out that to the pagan, the summer solstice is a night of much activity.

Many pagan shrines, most famously Stonehenge, were built to highlight the movement of the sun and the moon, and were designated to harness the sun on the longest day of the year, the summer solstice. [Understanding the Mysterious Sword of St. Michael \(catholicexchange.com\)](http://catholicexchange.com)

Many of these seven sites were originally pagan gathering places.

[The Swords of St. Michael \(churchmilitant.com\)](http://churchmilitant.com)

[The Sword of Saint Michael the Archangel - TFP Student Action](#)

[7 Sanctuaries Linked By A Straight Line: The Legendary Sword Of St. Michael The Archangel. – One Million Who Say The Rosary Daily \(wordpress.com\)](#)

[Symi in Greece - The Greek Island of Colours - Travel Guide \(mysteriousgreece.com\)](#)

CHURCH SYMBOLISM

“The Cross, Part III”

Submitted by Katherine Owens

The Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross is on September 14th, which has connections to St. Helena who was discussed in last month's part. This month, we continue with the importance of the Sign of the Cross; the first prayer children learn, one of the most efficacious of all prayers, and one of the most common actions that occurs throughout each day. Confession both begins and ends with the Sign of the Cross. We begin and end the Rosary with the Sign of the Cross. We make the Sign of the Cross when entering or leaving a church.

To quote Fr. Altman in his introduction to a talk on *Church Militant's* “Vortex” for June 16, 2021, after making the Sign of the Cross, “It is also good to begin by invoking the Holy Trinity when entering

into battle, and we are in a battle for souls, for eternal souls.” In the Sacrament of Extreme Unction, the Sign of the Cross is made many times because, “the minister of Divine consolations drives off the influence of Satan” and upon each organ and upon each sense, is traced the Sign of the Cross. The power of this sign destroys the last vestiges of sins committed by sight, hearing, smell, taste, speech, touch, and motion (Chardon, *Memoirs of a Guardian Angel*, 283).

All this combined means that when a priest makes the Sign of the Cross he does so as a blessing, as an invocation for God’s protection, and as a sign to purify the soul.

When we make the Sign of the Cross, we, by blessing ourselves with the symbol of Christ’s death, signal to God and man that we belong to God. Because the Sign of the Cross is considered a sacramental, it is important to make it reverently, understand the significance behind it, and the power invested in such a common-place action. In an interview for *Zenit Daily Dispatch*, author Bert Ghezzi talked briefly about the six symbols of the Sign of the Cross in his book, *Sign of the Cross: Recovering the Power of the Ancient Prayer*: a confession of faith; a renewal of baptism; a mark of discipleship; an acceptance of suffering; a defense against the devil; and a victory over self-indulgence. [Significance of the Sign of the Cross | EWTN](#)

Mass always begins with the Sign of the Cross ✠ as a blessing because of the holy action in the power that comes from the triune God through the Cross of Christ. At the same time, in the use of this formula here, we can perceive a bridge between the two great sacraments of Baptism and Eucharist (Jungmann, *The Mass of the Roman Rite*, 296).

As the most perfect sacrificial act, Christ’s death on the Cross proves how perfectly His will is tied to His Father’s will: “He never changed the attitude of His soul in regard to His Heavenly Father – ‘Jesus Christ yesterday and to-day and the same for ever’” (Kearney, *The Meaning of the Mass*, 66). Though the death upon the Cross has a mirror image at its sacrificial root – love of man:

He did this because He loved us, that is, He wished us well, He wished us the best that

God Himself could wish to give us – a share in His own life of infinite happiness (Kearney, *The Meaning of the Mass*, 80-81).

And your teaser for next month is “. . . if our roses have thorns, they are the thorns of Jesus Christ Who changes them into roses” (Montfort, *The Secret of the Rosary*, 11).

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BUDDING JOURNALISTS

Budding author at home? Please encourage them to submit an article for the children’s section.

TREASURER’S UPDATE

Kevin McLaughlin

We have 28 active members who have paid the 2021 dues which are \$10 per family.

As of right now, **you can write a check to “Kevin McLaughlin”** and send it to [REDACTED]. I will then transfer the funds to our new VyStar bank account. Unfortunately, I am not able to cash any check made out to “Una Voce.” Thank you!

We also have an additional way to donate through Paypal. This can be done through my new email: kevinmcla@unavocejax.org.

CONFRATERNITY MESSAGE FROM FR. REINER, FSSP

In advance of an upcoming meeting in Rome that will possibly determine the future fate of The Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter, FSSP's Chaplain General has asked for prayers. There are 8,000 members of the Confraternity and he has asked that they start a "Living Rosary" on August 31st through September 30th. The goal is for 8,000 Rosary's to be said to put their mission in the hands of Blessed Mother. It is not necessary to register for the "Living Rosary" to take part in this initiative.

While we do not have an FSSP parish in this Diocese, we have family members and friends who attend an FSSP parish, and we have families who have in the past gone to a Diocese with an FSSP parish for Sacraments for their children. For more information: [The Missive Blog – Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter \(fssp.com\)](http://www.fssp.com).

SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

Katherine Owens, Kevin McLaughlin

Deadline to submit news, articles, information, or Mass schedule changes for **the October newsletter is September 25th. The October issue will be devoted to Our Lady of the Rosary.**

- Please submit list of Mass times/locations to Kevin McLaughlin.
- Please submit names of faithful priests who need prayers to Katherine Owens.
- Parish news for Immaculate Conception, St. Patrick's, and St. Joseph's should be submitted to Kevin McLaughlin.
- Parish news for St. Michael's and St. Edward's should be submitted to Katherine Owens.
- All other information can be sent to both or either editor.

Articles longer than 500 words may be edited or split between two newsletter issues at the discretion of the editors.

Canonical Coronation Celebrations

Email PilgrimsSupporting@OurLadyofLaLeche.com | [GoFundMe.com](https://www.gofundme.com/Pilgrims-Supporting-Our-Lady-of-La-Leche) Pilgrims Supporting Our Lady of La Leche



Saturday October 9th

- **11:00am-11:45am** - Confessions
- **Noon-1:00pm** - Mass (English)
- **1:30pm-2:30pm** - Mass (Spanish)
- **1:00pm-5:00pm** - Pray the Rosary in various groups throughout the day
- **2:30pm-5:00pm** - Eucharistic Adoration in the Shrine Church
- **5:00pm** - Reposition of the Holy Sacrament
- **6:00pm-9:00pm** - Evening for Young Adults
- **6:00pm-7:00pm** - Music & Prayers
- **7:00pm-8:00pm** - Candlelight Rosary & Votive Candle Lighting
- **8:00pm-8:45pm** - Exposition of the Most Holy Sacrament & Adoration
- **8:45pm-9:00pm** - Traditional Spanish Marian Lullabies

Sunday October 10th

- **11:30am-Noon** - Volunteers arrive at the Shrine grounds
- **12:15pm** - Special Shrine opening for Pilgrims of Our Lady of La Leche
- **1:15pm-2:00pm** - Rosary accompanied by Native American Flutist Music
- **2:00pm-3:30pm** - Canonical Coronation Livestream Mass
- **4:00pm-5:00pm** - Procession at the Shrine grounds of the Crowned Images of Christ in the arms of Our Lady of La Leche

Monday October 11th

Feast Day at the National Shrine for Our Lady of La Leche

- **Noon-1:00pm** - Mass (English)
- **1:30pm-2:30pm** - Mass (Spanish)
- **6:00pm-7:00pm** - Mass of Enthronement celebrated by Bishop Felipe J. Estevez Our Lady of La Leche Shrine 101 San Marco Ave. St. Augustine, FL 32084

Cathedral Basilica

The Liturgy and Canonical Coronation of Our Lady of La Leche will be held in the Cathedral Basilica in St. Augustine. Due to security measures, seating is limited to clergy and invited guests only. The Crowned Image of Our Lady of La Leche will be brought to the Shrine grounds following the coronation. Note - No public viewing will be available on or near the Cathedral Basilica. **Pilgrims participation will be at the Shrine grounds.**



National Shrine of Our Lady of La Leche - 101 San Marco Ave - St Augustine, FL 32084

2021

CALENDAR YEAR

SEPTEMBER

CALENDAR MONTH

SUNDAY

FIRST DAY OF WEEK

Please pray for
our priests!

St. Augustine our
patron, Ora pro nobis!

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29	30	31	01 1. Fr. John Sollee 2. Fr. Carlos Lopera	02 1. Fr. Philip Mayer 2. Fr. Mark Vernoy	03 1. Fr. Conrad Cowart 2. Fr. Jude Nwachukwu	04 1. Msgr. Mortimer Danaher 2. Fr. Michael Donovan
05 1. Fr. Darius Sleszynski 2. Fr. Mac Hill	06 1. Fr. Pierre Duverger 2. Fr. Richard Rasch	07 1. Fr. Samuel Fabula 2. Fr. David Ruchinski	08 1. Fr. Philip Gagan 2. Fr. Jose Panthaplamthottiyil	09 1. Fr. Sebastian George 2. Fr. Stephen Zehler	10 1. Fr. Rodolfo Godinez 2. Fr. Scott Settimo	11 1. Fr. James Haynos 2. Fr. Greig Gonzales
12 Fr. Sean Gerrity	13 Fr. Briggs Hurley	14 Fr. Joshua Jacobs	15 Fr. David Keegan	16 Fr. Joseph Kuhlman	17 Fr. Christopher Liguori	18 Msgr. Daniel Logan
19 Fr. Clay Ludwig	20 Seminararian Esteban Merkt	21 Fr. William Mooney	22 Fr. Edward Murphy	23 Fr. Denis O'Shaughnessy	24 Fr. Charles Padathuruthy	25 Fr. Dilip Pally
26 Fr. Frederick Parke	27 Fr. Martin Arokie Raj	28 His Excellency, Bishop Felipe Estevez	29 His Excellency, Bishop Felipe Estevez	30 His Excellency, Bishop Felipe Estevez	01	02

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Traditional
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29	30	31	01	02	03	04
					St. Michael's 6:00 pm	FIRST SATURDAY St. Michael's 9:00 am St. Patrick's 10:00 am
05 St. Michael's 7:30 am St. Michael's 10:00 am St. Joseph's 12:00 pm St. Patrick's 12:00 pm St. Michael's 4:00 pm	06 St. Patricks 6:30 am St. Michael's 8:00 am	07 St. Patrick's 6:30 am	08	09	10 St. Michael's 6:00 pm	11 St. Michael's 9:00 am
12 MOST HOLY NAME OF MARY St. Michael's 7:30 am St. Michael's 10:00 am St. Joseph's 12:00 pm St. Edward's 12:30 pm St. Michael's 4:00 pm	13 St. Patricks 6:30 am St. Michael's 8:00 am	14 EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS St. Patrick's 6:30 am	15	16	17 St. Edward's 12:00 pm St. Michael's 6:00 pm	18 St. Michael's 9:00 am
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