

St. Michael the Archangel Chaplet

Origins of St. Michael Chaplet

Saint Michael appeared to Antonia d'Astonac and told her that he wished to be honored by nine salutations corresponding to and in honor of the nine angelic choirs of Angels. The promises made by Saint Michael is as follows:

“Whosoever would practice this devotion in his honor before receiving Holy Communion, would have an escort of nine angels chosen from each one of the nine choirs. In addition, for the daily recital of these nine salutations, he promised his continual assistance and that of all the holy angels during life, and, after death, deliverance from purgatory for themselves and their relations.” [Taken from the Life of Antonia d'Astonac, Vol. III Chapter LXXIV.]

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Begin with the Act of Contrition and then recite:

V. O God, come to my assistance.

R. O Lord, make haste to help me.

Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be world without end. Amen.

Choir of Seraphim

By the intercession of St. Michael and the celestial Choir of Seraphim, may the Lord make us worthy to burn with the fire of perfect charity. Amen. (*Recite one Our Father, three Hail Mary's*)

Choir of Cherubim

By the intercession of St. Michael and the celestial Choir of Cherubim, may the Lord vouchsafe to grant us grace to leave the ways of wickedness to run in the paths of Christian perfection. Amen. (*Recite one Our Father and three Hail Mary's*)

Choir of Thrones

By the intercession of St. Michael and the celestial Choir of Thrones, may the Lord infuse into our hearts a true and sincere spirit of humility. Amen. (*One Our Father, three Hail Mary's*)

Choir of Dominions

By the intercession of St. Michael and the celestial Choir of Dominions, may the Lord give us grace to govern our senses and subdue our unruly passions. Amen. (*Our Father, three Hail Mary's*)

Choir of Powers

By the intercession of St. Michael and the celestial Choir of Powers, may the Lord vouchsafe to protect our souls against the snares and temptations of the devil. Amen. (*Our Father, three Hail Mary's*)

Choir of Virtues

By the intercession of St. Michael and the celestial Choir of Virtues, may the Lord preserve us from evil and suffer us not to fall into temptation. Amen. (*Our Father, three Hail Mary's*)

Choir of Principalities

By the intercession of St. Michael and the celestial Choir of Principalities, may God fill our souls with a true spirit of obedience. Amen. (*Our Father, three Hail Mary's*)

Choir of Archangels

By the intercession of St. Michael and the celestial Choir of Archangels, may the Lord give us perseverance in faith and in all good works, in order that we gain the glory of paradise. Amen. (*Our Father and three Hail Mary's*)

Choir of Angels

By the intercession of St. Michael and the celestial Choir of Angels, may the Lord grant us to be protected by them in this mortal life and conducted hereafter to eternal glory. Amen. (*Our Father, three Hail Mary's*)

Ending Prayers

Say one Our Father prayer for each of the following saintly Angels:

- **St. Michael the Archangel**
- **St. Gabriel**
- **St. Raphael**
- **Your own Guardian Angel**

Closing Prayer

O glorious Prince St. Michael, chief and commander of the heavenly hosts, guardian of souls, vanquisher of rebel spirits, servant in the house of the Divine King, and our admirable conductor, thou who dost shine with excellence and superhuman virtue, vouchsafe to deliver us from all evil, who turn to thee with confidence, and enable us by the gracious protection to serve God more and more faithfully every day.

V. Pray for us, O glorious St. Michael, Prince of the Church of Jesus Christ.

R. That we may be made worthy of His promises.

Almighty and Everlasting Do, who by a prodigy of goodness and a merciful desire for the salvation of all men, hast appointed the most glorious Archangel, St. Michael, Prince of Thy Church, make us worthy, we beseech Thee, to be delivered by his powerful protection from all our enemies, that none of them may harass us at the hour of death, but that we may be conducted by him into the august presence of Thy Divine Majesty. This we beg through the merits of Jesus Christ Our Lord. Amen. (*Indulgenced given by Blessed Pope Pius IX. Imprimatur: Constantis, Feb. 1897, ABEL, Episc. Const. et Abr.*)

Prayer of St. Michael the Archangel

St. Michael, the Archangel, defend us in this day of battle. Be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we oh humbly pray. And do though oh prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, cast into hell satan and all the evil spirits who prowl through the world, seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.