

Our Lady of the Rosary Chapel

ROSARY SUNDAY

The Angels and the Holy Eucharist in the Parish Church

(Month of the Holy Angels and the Holy Rosary)

We know and remember, in relation to the holy angels, that Almighty God uses them in the government of the world; that nations, places, and persons are under their special guardianship. We piously believe that many of them are the protectors of our churches, as they were the protectors of the Temple of Jerusalem. We will here show how zealous the angels are for the honor of sacred buildings, by relating the history of Heliodorus.

Under the High-priest Onias, some four hundred years before Christ, when the province of Judea was apart of Asia and governed by the tyrant... Seleucus, it was made known to this avaricious king that the Temple of Jerusalem contained great treasures, and that it could be easy for him to carry them away and make them his own. Seleucus therefore sent to Jerusalem, with a force of soldiers, a man named Heliodorus, whom he commanded to take away the treasure of the Temple, using force therefore if it be necessary.

"When Heliodorus was come to Jerusalem, and had been courteously received into the city by the high-priest, he told him what information had been given concerning the money, and declared the cause for which he had come, and asked if these things were so indeed. Then the high-priest told him that these were sums deposited and provisions for the subsistence of the widows and the fatherless;... but that to deceive them who had trusted them to the place and the Temple... was a thing which could not by any means be done. But he... said... that by all means the money must be carried to the king. So on the day appointed, Heliodorus entered in to order this matter. But there was no small terror throughout the whole city; and the priests prostrated themselves before the altar in their priests' vestments, and called upon Him from Heaven, Who made the law concerning things given to be kept, that He would preserve them safe for them that had deposited them. Now whoever saw the countenance of the high-priest was wounded in heart... Others also came flocking together out of their houses;... and the women, girded with hair-cloth... came together in the streets, and the virgins also shut up came forth;... and all, holding up their hands toward Heaven, made supplication...

But Heliodorus executed that which he had resolved on, himself being present in the same place with his guard about the treasury.

"But the spirit of the Almighty God gave a great evidence of His presence, so that all that had presumed to obey him, falling down by the power of God, were struck with fainting and dread. For there appeared to them a horse with a terrible rider upon him, adorned with a very rich covering, and he ran fiercely and struck Heliodorus with his forefeet and he that sat upon him seemed to have armor of gold. Moreover, there appeared two other young men, beautiful and strong, bright and glorious, and in comely apparel, who stood by him, on either side, and scourged him without ceasing with many stripes. And Heliodorus suddenly fell to the ground, and they took him up covered with great darkness, and having put him into a litter, they carried him out;... and he indeed, by the power of God, lay speechless and without hope of recovery... " The high-priest, however, having offered a sacrifice for the recovery of Heliodorus, the Lord granted him life. He returned to Seleucus his master, and declared to him: "If thou hast any enemy, or traitor to thy kingdom, send him thither [to the Temple of Jerusalem], and thou shalt receive him again scourged, if so be he escape: for there is undoubtedly in that place a certain power of God. For He hath His dwelling in the Heavens is the visitor and protector of that place, and he striketh and destroyeth them that come to do evil to it" (II Mach. iii, 9-39).

From the foregoing, it appears that the two golden cherubs whose wings overshadowed the ark of the covenant typified the protection which the heavenly spirits exercised over the house of the Most High in Jerusalem.

But what of our churches? The ark of the covenant contained the tables of the Law and a measure of the manna which fell in the desert; but our tabernacles contain the Giver of the Law, the Maker of the universe, and the true Bread of the angels which has become the bread of men!

We see that angels intervened in every event connected with the life of Our Lord Jesus Christ. Thus it was through the angel Gabriel that the birth of Christ was made known to the prophet Daniel. The same Archangel appeared to Zachary and revealed to him that he would have a son in the old age of himself and of his venerated spouse; that the name of his son would be John; that he would be filled with the Holy Ghost from the womb of his mother; and that he had been chosen of God

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XIX SUNDAY AFTER
PENTECOST



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HOLY MASS

Sundays: 7:00 & 10:00 am
Weekdays: 8:00 am

CONFESSIONS

Sundays
6:40—6:55 am
9:15—9:55 am

Weekdays
7:40—7:55 am
and by appointment

HOLY ROSARY

Sundays: 9:40 am
First Saturdays: 8:00 am

Thank you very much to everyone for the painting collection. We received \$1170 this past week, plus \$651 from the regular 2nd Collection.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FROM Fr. Rodriguez:

I have Mass intentions until October 14th, and I have the list for Bishop Morello which is placed in the vestibule. We appreciate your generosity for the Mass stipends. Thank you very much .

Advisory board

Meeting.

The Advisory board meeting will be held today few minutes after 10:00 am Mass.

Processions:

Gentleman, boys and girls, be sure to be in Our Lady's Procession, this Sunday. Sign up for Christ the King Procession also. Thank you.

Web Cam Help:

We need someone to help us set up a Web Cam in the Chapel to stream the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass on the Internet.

Please contact Ron McGuire,
203-673-5858

to be the Precursor of the Lord, that is, to prepare the way before the coming Messiah! Six months after this message, the same Archangel was sent to the Blessed Virgin by Almighty God to declare to her that she should conceive and bring forth the Son of the Most High. True it is that Mary and Joseph were for a long time the only visible adorers of the "Word made flesh:" but when we go in spirit to the humble cottage of Nazareth, we cannot but believe that angels came there to adore the Word Incarnate, and that by their presence and inspirations they helped these blessed persons to adore their hidden Savior with proper dispositions. If we go in spirit to the field of the shepherds on Christmas night,... there we shall see the "brightness of God shining round about them," an angel standing by them, and the multitude of the heavenly host come to adore the "Word Incarnate" and to rejoice with men because for them on that night there was born a Savior, Christ the Lord, in the city of David. St. Matthew, in his Gospel (chap.xi), relates two or three angels to St. Joseph, the foster-father of Jesus Christ, directing him what to do or what to avoid for the welfare of the Child. Were it in our power to question the Blessed Virgin concerning the life of her Son, she would probably answer that the angels appeared to her frequently, coming to adore their God, and to offer Him prayers for the salvation of men. An angel appeared to Our Lord during His agony in the garden; angels appeared to His disciples to inform them of His resurrection and to convey to them His behests; angels accompanied Him to Heaven on the day of His Ascension; angels in Heaven adore the "Word Incarnate," Who sits upon the throne; there thousands and thousands of them proclaim with a loud voice: "The Lamb that was slain is worthy to receive power and divinity and wisdom and honor and glory and power forever and ever," and at last He will come with His angels at the last day, in the glory of His Father; and then the heavenly spirits, together with the elect, will bless and adore in eternity the adorable Redeemer sitting at the right hand of the Father.

Should we not then, believe that a multitude of angels surround the tabernacle where-in resides their Creator and Lord? In order to help our piety and strengthen our faith in the presence of these heavenly spirits, we see that almost every church contains in painting or statuary, representations of angels ministering to men, adoring Jesus Christ, surrounding the throne of God, etc. The early Christians believed that angels were present in the assemblies of the faithful and carried their petitions to the throne of God; wherefore respect for their presence should induce females to appear veiled in such assemblies (I. Cor. xi); and if at all times "we make a spectacle" to the angels (I Cor.iv.9), much more attentively do they watch over us when we are in the sacred buildings where their Lord and Master resides.

When, therefore, you visit the Blessed Sacrament, after adoring in silence Him Who is there living, eternal, immortal, all merciful, all-

powerful, you might request the angles who surround the altar, but especially your guardian angel, to adore Him with you, and to obtain for you an increase of that love and veneration for Him which penetrates their whole being; or you might imagine yourself before the throne of God and of the Lamb, and unite your adorations and thanksgivings to theirs.

During the parish Mass on Sundays, if you will but attend to the ceremonies and prayers of the Church, you will not fail to understand that Catholics have really "come to the city of the living God, the Heavenly Jerusalem, and to the company of many thousands of angels." After the sprinkling of the holy water, the celebrant says, in the name of the congregation: "Hear us, O holy Lord, Almighty Father, Eternal God, and vouchsafe to send thy holy angel from Heaven to guard, cherish, protect, visit, and defend all that are assembled in this place."

At the beginning of the Mass, both the celebrant and the congregation confess to Almighty God, Blessed Mary ever Virgin, Blessed Michael the Archangel, that they have sinned exceedingly, and they beseech the same Michael the Archangel to pray to the Lord our God for them. At solemn Mass, when the priest incenses the altar for the first time, bear in mind that he the priest is your visible angel, who now offers your prayers to God, who will soon pray for you with out-stretched hands, and who teaches and shows to you the way of salvation. When Our Lord was born at Bethlehem, a multitude of the heavenly host gave glory to God in the highest and announced peace to men of good will. Think, then, when the priest begins the "Gloria in Excelsis," that angels surround you, adore their Creator, and bid you be attentive because God the Savior will soon be on the altar as really present as He was in the stable at Bethlehem. Angels offer no prayers to God for themselves, for they have no need of prayer, but they pray for us, and we should not fail to request them to offer our prayers to God. We can scarcely imagine anything more admirable than the ceremonies of incensing the altar at solemn Mass at the Offertory. The priest has already blessed and offered to God the bread and wine, which will be changed into the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ. The Sacrifice of the Mass is in itself always pleasing to God; but the offering of the Holy Victim should be accompanied by the fervent prayers of the congregation. Here, then, the priest, placing incense on the burning coals of the censer, says: "May the Lord, by the intercession of Blessed Michael the Archangel, standing at the right hand of the altar of incense, and of all the elect, vouchsafe to bless this incense and receive it as an odor of sweetness." Whilst incensing the bread and wine, he says, "May this incense which thou hast blest, O Lord, ascend to Thee, and may Thy mercy descend upon us." At incensing the altar, he says, "Let thy prayers, O Lord, be directed as incense in Thy sight, the lifting up of my hands as evening sacrifice." On giving the censer to the acolyte,

MASS SCHEDULE

SUNDAY October 4	Motherhood of Our Lady XX Sunday After Pentecost	W	7:00 am 10:00 am	For the Superior's Intention Mass pro Populo.
MONDAY October 5	St. Placid and Companions, Mm.	R	8:00am 7:30 pm	Special Intention <u>Holy Rosary for Poor Souls</u>
TUESDAY October 6	St. Brono, C	W	8:00 am	Joan Parella
WEDNESDAY October 7	Most Holy Rosary	W	8:00 am 7:00 pm	Robert Dicecco, R.I.P. Pro Populo
THURSDAY October 8	St. Bridget of Sweden, W	W	8:00am	Kusterer Family
FRIDAY October 9	St. John Leonard, C St. Dionysius Bp and Comp. Mm	W	8:00 am	John LaBrusciano, R.I.P.
SATURDAY October 10	St. Francis of Borgia, C	W	7:00 am.	Luis, Juliana and Philomena Nesci
SUNDAY October 11	Rosary Sunday XIX Sunday after Pentecost.	W	7:00 am 10:00 am	Superior's Intentions. Missa pro Populo



MASS TIMES AT ST. MARY THE VIRGIN

1520 Delaware St, Paulsboro, New Jersey 08066

October 4	9:30am.	Fr. Bachtinger
October 11	5:00 pm.	Fr. Rodriguez
October 18	9:30 am.	Fr. Bachtinger

*Mass may be cancelled in the event of inclement weather.
Call Mrs. Miriam Windfeld for any information: (856) 456 4232

Other Services: Monday evening, Oct. 5th, we will have a Holy Rosary for the Poor Souls in Purgatory at 7:30 pm.
On **Wed. Oct. 7th, evening Mass at 7:00 pm**



NOTICE TO NEWCOMERS

Founded in 1973 in the wake of the disastrous Second Vatican Council, the mission of Our Lady of the Rosary Chapel is to maintain and restore as far as possible the traditional faith, values and liturgical practice of the Roman Catholic Church, and to provide a haven of sanctity where men and women of good will may grow in love for God and their neighbor.

Please don't hesitate to introduce yourself and ask questions. After Mass come to the Social Hall, and join us for coffee and refreshments.

We hope your visit with us is a pleasant one, and we look forward to seeing you again and welcoming you as a member of Our Lady of the Rosary.

We welcome Spanish-speaking guests, and confessions are heard in Spanish and English every Sunday and by appointment with the pastor.

he says, "May the Lord enkindle within us the fire of His love and the flame of everlasting charity."

St. John (Apoc. viii) mentions an "angel who came and stood before the altar, having a golden censer: and there was given to him much incense, that he should offer of the prayers of all the saints upon the golden altar, which is before the throne of God. And the smoke of the incense of the prayers of the saints ascended up before God from the hand of the angel." The guardian angels of men never failed in ages past to offer, as they still offer, to God the requests of souls entrusted to their care, and the Blessed Michael the Archangel, protector of the Church, presents to God in an especial manner the supplications of Catholics. We therefore beg him to intercede for us with the Lord that our prayers may ascend towards Him with so much fervor that the may be acceptable to His majesty, At this time of the Mass, when we see the smoke of the incense ascending towards Heaven, when the sacred edifice is fragrant with the sweet odor, think of all the members who pray near you; think of the angels who assist them; think of the spiritual necessities of yourself and of others, and may the Lord enkindle within you the fire of His love and the flame of everlasting charity!

When the time of Consecration approaches, the priest feels the want of greater recollection. He seems for a time to forget men, that he may apply his whole attention to God and to the action of the sacrifice. A short time before Consecration he feels the want of returning thanks to God, and he commemorates the heavenly spirits who adore Him. "It is truly meet and just, right and available to salvation, that we should always, and in all places, give thanks to Thee, O Holy Lord, Father Almighty, Eternal God. Through Christ Our Lord, by whom the angels praise Thy majesty, the dominations adore it, the powers tremble before it, the heavens, the heavenly virtues and blessed seraphim, with common jubilee glorify it. Together with whom we beseech Thee that we may be admitted to join our humble voices, saying: Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Sabath, Heaven and earth are full of Thy glory. Hosanna in the highest,"

Angels and men have joined together in giving thanks to Him Who dwelleth in Heaven. But now the angels who surround the altar might be forgotten. The Lamb of God, He Who taketh away the sins of the world, will soon be on the same altar. "Blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord." To Him alone every knee should bow. Let the angels, though beautiful, be forgotten by us, but let the angels and men adore and praise, present on the altar, Him Who made all things and without Whom nothing was made.

Who will not return thanks to God for His innumerable and unspeakable blessings! He has created us a little less than the angels, but He has made us to be their companions in Heaven. During Mass we have a foretaste and a pledge of their future glorious company in Heaven in the presence of God, infinitely perfect. The Church, in the inspired language of their liturgy, calls Our Lord in the Eucharist the Bread of Angels: "Behold the Bread of angels become the food of man!"

Wherever the holy angles are, they never lose sight of God in His glory. At all times He is their light, their joy, their perfect felicity. At Mass, when the time of Communion comes, we again confess our sins to St. Michael the Archangel; we beg of him to intercede for us, and then many members of the congregation approach the altar and partake of the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ. Who is the happier of the two, the angel or the man? The angel is in the actual possession of God in His glory; but is not the other, the communicant, as intimately united to His God as the angel? May these heavenly spirits obtain for us purity and charity when we receive Communion! May they obtain for us the grace so to live as to be permitted often to partake of that sacred food; and so it will be that Our Lord Jesus Christ, Who is here below our companion, our victim, and the food of our souls, shall be in Heaven, in the company of the angels, out light, our life, our joy, and our perfect felicity!

*Christ on the Altar-Rt. Rev. Louis De Goesbriand, D.D.,
(Benz.), 1889*

**IMPORTANT: Those who need Confirmation or conditional Confirmation, please see Mr. Vincent Ferro, and start your Catechism.
Fr. Rodriguez.**

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