

Michael the Archangel

The Miracle of Archangel Michael at Colossae

In Phrygia, near Hieropolis, a church dedicated to Archangel

Michael was built over a miraculous spring by a grateful father whose mute daughter was healed after drinking from it. This act of faith led to many conversions, both of pagans and Christians. For sixty years, a devout custodian named Archippus tended to this church, converting many through his life and preaching. When pagans tried to destroy the church by diverting rivers to flood it, Archippus fervently prayed to Archangel Michael. Miraculously, the Archangel appeared and redirected the waters, saving the church and causing the attackers to flee.

While the Archangel is often called Saint by the Church because he is a holy Angel, his sainthood is slightly different than the sainthood of the faithful Christians throughout history. Nonetheless, this story illuminates the profound impact of intercessory prayer and the powerful role of the angels and saints in our lives. Just as Archippus's fervent prayers led to a miraculous intervention by Archangel Michael, so too can our own prayers bring about extraordinary changes. The saints, as seen through Archangel Michael's actions, stand ready to intercede on our behalf, guiding and protecting us in times of need. Embrace the power of intercessory prayer with confidence, knowing that divine assistance is ever-present, ready to uplift and support us through our challenges.



Hymn of the month 🎵

This month practice singing this hymn during family or private prayer:

[Troparion of the Nativity of the Mother of God](#)

Tone 4

Your Nativity O Mother of God
heralded joy to the whole universe
For from you rose the Son of Justice
Christ our God
taking away the curse
He imparted the blessings
and by abolishing death
He gave us everlasting life.



Christian Maxims

Be always with Christ and trust God in everything - Fr. Thomas Hopko

The Lord is good, a refuge in times of trouble. He cares for those who trust in him - Nahum 1:7

Apart from the cross there is no other ladder by which we may get to heaven." – Saint Rose of Lima.

Important Dates

1 Churches New Year

6 Miracle of Archangel Michael at Colossae

8 Nativity of the Theotokos

9 Joachim & Ann

13 Dedication of the Basilica of the Resurrection

15 Exaltation of the Cross
(Transferred from 9/14 to Sunday)

23 Conception of John the Baptist

Activity !

THINGS TO DO INDIVIDUALLY,
WITH FRIENDS OR AS A FAMILY!

- On the feast of Jesus' Grandparents:
 - Spend time with your grandparents and elderly neighbors.
 - Visit the elderly in nursing homes.
- Nativity of our Lady and John the Baptist:
 - Pray for a friend or family member trying to conceive.
- Cook with basil on the feast of the Holy Cross. Read why [here!](#)
- Read about the Feast of the Holy Cross. [Linked here.](#)
- Pray the St. Michael [Chaplet!](#)