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### **MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS**

**September 29, 2024**

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# Today's Readings

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## Prayer of the Day

Everlasting God, you have wonderfully established the ministries of angels and mortals. Mercifully grant that as Michael and the angels contend against the cosmic forces of evil, so by your direction they may help and defend us here on earth, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God whom we worship and praise with angels and archangels and all the company of heaven, now and forever. **Amen.**

## First Reading

Daniel 10:10-14; 12:1-3

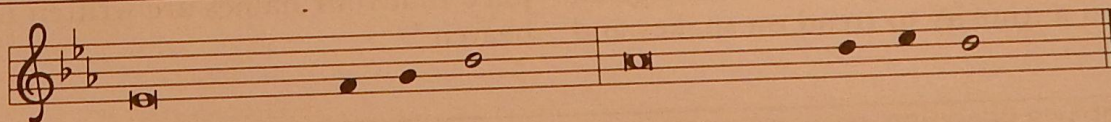
A hand touched me and roused me to my hands and knees. <sup>11</sup>He said to me, "Daniel, greatly beloved, pay attention to the words that I am going to speak to you. Stand on your feet, for I have now been sent to you." So while he was speaking this word to me, I stood up trembling. <sup>12</sup>He said to me, "Do not fear, Daniel, for from the first day that you set your mind to gain understanding and to humble yourself before your God, your words have been heard, and I have come because of your words. <sup>13</sup>But the prince of the kingdom of Persia opposed me twenty-one days. So Michael, one of the chief princes, came to help me, and I left him there with the prince of the kingdom of Persia, <sup>14</sup>and have come to

help you understand what is to happen to your people at the end of days. For there is a further vision for those days."

<sup>12:1</sup>"At that time Michael, the great prince, the protector of your people, shall arise. There shall be a time of anguish, such as has never occurred since nations first came into existence. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone who is found written in the book. <sup>2</sup>Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. <sup>3</sup>Those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever."

## Psalm

Psalm 103:1-5, 20-22; tone 4



Bless the LORD, <sup>1</sup>O my soul,  
and all that is within me,  
bless God's <sup>1</sup>holy name.

<sup>2</sup>Bless the LORD, <sup>1</sup>O my soul,  
and forget not  
<sup>1</sup>all God's benefits—

<sup>3</sup>who forgives <sup>1</sup>all your sins  
and heals all <sup>1</sup>your diseases;

continued



Psalm, continued

<sup>4</sup>who redeems your life  
from the grave  
and crowns you with  
steadfast love and mercy;  
<sup>5</sup>who satisfies your desires  
with good things  
so that your youth is renewed  
like an eagle's.  
<sup>20</sup>Bless the LORD, you angels,  
you mighty ones

who do God's bidding,  
who obey  
the voice of God's word.  
<sup>21</sup>Bless the LORD,  
all you hosts of God,  
you servants who do God's will.  
<sup>22</sup>Bless the LORD,  
all you works of God, in all places  
where God rules;  
bless the LORD, O my soul.

## Second Reading

Revelation 12:7-12

War broke out in heaven; Michael and his angels fought against the dragon. The dragon and his angels fought back, <sup>8</sup>but they were defeated, and there was no longer any place for them in heaven. <sup>9</sup>The great dragon was thrown down, that ancient serpent, who is called the Devil and Satan, the deceiver of the whole world—he was thrown down to the earth, and his angels were thrown down with him.

<sup>10</sup>Then I heard a loud voice in heaven, proclaiming,

“Now have come the salvation and the power  
and the kingdom of our God  
and the authority of his Messiah,

for the accuser of our comrades  
has been thrown down,  
who accuses them day and night  
before our God.

<sup>11</sup>But they have conquered him by  
the blood of the Lamb  
and by the word of their  
testimony,  
for they did not cling to life even in  
the face of death.

<sup>12</sup>Rejoice then, you heavens  
and those who dwell in them!  
But woe to the earth and the sea,  
for the devil has come down  
to you  
with great wrath,  
because he knows that his time  
is short!”

## Gospel

Luke 10:17-20

The seventy returned with joy, saying, “Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!” <sup>18</sup>He said to them, “I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning. <sup>19</sup>See, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and

scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing will hurt you. <sup>20</sup>Nevertheless, do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven.”

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