

St Michael and All Angels

INTRODUCTION

INTROIT HYMN— **475** *New English Hymnal*

In the name of the Father,
and of ✠ the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

All respond: Amen.

Grace, mercy and peace
from God our Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.
And also with you.

The PRAYERS OF PENITENCE are introduced.

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
we have sinned against you,
through our own fault,
in thought, and word, and deed,
and in what we have left undone.
We are heartily sorry,
and repent of all our sins.
For your Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake,
forgive us all that is past;
and grant that we may serve you
in newness of life,
to the glory of your name. Amen.**

Almighty God,
who forgives all who truly repent,
have mercy upon you,
pardon ✠ and deliver you from all your sins,
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,
and keep you in life eternal;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

KYRIE ELEÏSON is sung.

**Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.**

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS is sung.

**Glory to God in the highest, and peace to
his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God**

**and Father, we worship you, we give you
thanks, we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the
sin of the world: have mercy on us; you
are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One, you
alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most
High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in
the glory ✠ of God the Father. Amen.**

All remain standing for the COLLECT.

Everlasting God, you have ordained and con-
stituted the ministries of angels and mortals
in a wonderful order: grant that as your holy
angels always serve you in heaven, so, at your
command, they may help and defend us on
earth; through Jesus Christ your Son our
Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the
unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for
ever. **Amen.**

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Rev 12.7–12

A reading from the Revelation of John.

Now war arose in heaven, Michael and his
angels fighting against the dragon. And the
dragon and his angels fought back, but he was
defeated, and there was no longer any place
for them in heaven. And 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. And I heard a loud voice in heaven,
saying, “Now the salvation and the power and
the kingdom of our God and the authority of
his Christ have come, for the accuser of our
brothers has been thrown down, who accuses
them day and night before our God. And
they have conquered him by the blood of the
Lamb and by the word of their testimony, for

they loved not their lives even unto death. Therefore, rejoice, O heavens and you who dwell in them! But woe to you, O earth and sea, for the devil has come down to you in great wrath, because he knows that his time is short!"

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

from Ps 103

R. Bless the Lord, you angels of his. (*All repeat*)

The Lord has established his throne in heaven, and his kingdom has dominion over all.

Bless the Lord, you mighty angels of his, who do his word and hearken to his voice. R.

Bless the Lord, all you his hosts, you ministers of his who do his will.

Bless the Lord, all his works in all places of his dominion;

bless the Lord, O my soul. R.

SECOND READING

Heb 1.5–14

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews.

To which of the angels did God ever say, "You are my Son, today I have begotten you"? Or again, "I will be to him a father, and he shall be to me a son"? And again, when he brings the firstborn into the world, he says, "Let all God's angels worship him." Of the angels he says, "He makes his angels winds, and his ministers a flame of fire." But of the Son he says, "Your throne, O God, is for ever and ever, the sceptre of uprightness is the sceptre of your kingdom. You have loved righteousness and hated wickedness; therefore God, your God, has anointed you with the oil of gladness beyond your companions." And, "You, Lord, laid the foundation of the earth in the beginning, and the heavens are the work of your hands; they will perish, but you remain; they will all wear out like a garment, like a robe you will roll them up, like a garment they will be changed. But you are the same, and your years will have no end." And to which of the angels has he

ever said, "Sit at my right hand until I make your enemies a footstool for your feet"? Are they not all ministering spirits sent out to serve for the sake of those who are to inherit salvation?

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL HYMN— **451**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Ps 103.21

Alleluia.

Bless the Lord, all you his hosts: you ministers of his who do his will.

Alleluia.

GOSPEL READING

Jn 1.47–51

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Hear the Gospel ✠ of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

Glorify to you, O Lord.

Jesus saw Nathanael coming towards him and said of him, "Behold, an Israelite indeed, in whom there is no deceit!" Nathanael said to him, "How do you know me?" Jesus answered him, "Before Philip called you, when you were under the fig tree, I saw you." Nathanael answered him, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" Jesus answered him, "Because I said to you, 'I saw you under the fig tree', do you believe? You will see greater things than these." And he said to him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, you will see heaven opened, and the angels of God ascending and descending on the Son of Man."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

A SERMON *may follow.*

All stand to recite the NICENE CREED.

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,

(all bow) **was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and was made man.**

(all rise) **For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life ✠ of the world to come. Amen.

The INTERCESSIONS are introduced, and all kneel. One of these responses may be used:

℣. Lord, hear us. *℟.* Lord, graciously hear us.
or *℣.* Lord, in your mercy, *℟.* Hear our prayer.

At the Commemoration of the Departed:

℣. Rest eternal ✠ grant unto them, O Lord;
℟. And let light perpetual shine upon them.

The Intercessions end:

Merciful Father,

Accept these prayers, for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

All stand as the priest introduces the PEACE.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

OFFERTORY HYMN— **478**

The people unite their prayers with the priest, who says the PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS.

Pray, my brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands, for the praise and glory of his name, for our good, and the good of all his Church.

Lord, we offer you the sacrifice of praise: as your angels bring this offering before the sight of your divine majesty, we pray you to receive it, and grant that it may avail for our salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

The PREFACE follows.

All respond with the SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS.

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he ✠ who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

All kneel. After the Consecration, all acclaim:

Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died;

Christ is risen;

Christ will come again.

The Eucharistic Prayer continues, and ends:

... for ever and ever. **Amen.**

RITE OF COMMUNION

The priest introduces the LORD'S PRAYER.

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come;
thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation;
but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom,
the power and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

The priest breaks the Host; AGNUS DEI is sung.

**Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
grant us peace.**

The priest gives the COMMUNION INVITATION.

Behold the Lamb of God, who takes away the
sin of the world. Blessed are those who are
called to his supper.

**Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but
only say the word, and I shall be healed.**

Holy Communion is distributed.

COMMUNION HYMN— **349**

The priest says the POST-COMMUNION prayer.

Lord of heaven, in this eucharist you have
brought us near to an innumerable company
of angels and to the spirits of the saints made
perfect: as in this food of our earthly pilgrim-
age we have shared their fellowship, so may
we come to share their joy in heaven; through
Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

CONCLUSION

The priest gives the BLESSING and DISMISSAL.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Bow your heads and pray for God's blessing.

God bring you to the home that Christ pre-
pares for all who love him. **Amen.**

God give you the will to live each day in life
eternal. **Amen.**

God make you citizens of heaven with the
whole company of the redeemed. **Amen.**

And the blessing of God almighty, the Father,
the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit, be among
you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Go in the peace of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

RECESSIONAL HYMN— **336**

The service may be followed by the ANGELUS.

∨. The angel of the Lord declared unto Mary:

℣. **And she conceived by the Holy Spirit.**

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee;
blessed art thou among women,
and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

**Holy Mary, Mother of God,
pray for us sinners, now,
and at the hour of our death. Amen.**

∨. Behold the handmaid of the Lord:

℣. **Be it unto me according to thy word.**

Hail Mary ...

∨. And the Word was made flesh:

℣. **And dwelt among us.**

Hail Mary ...

∨. Pray for us, O holy Mother of God:

℣. **That we may be made worthy of the
promises of Christ.**

Let us pray. Pour forth, we beseech you, O
Lord, your grace into our hearts; that we to
whom the Incarnation of Christ, your Son,
was made known by the message of an angel,
may by his Passion and Cross ✠ be brought
to the glory of his Resurrection; through the
same Christ our Lord. **Amen.**