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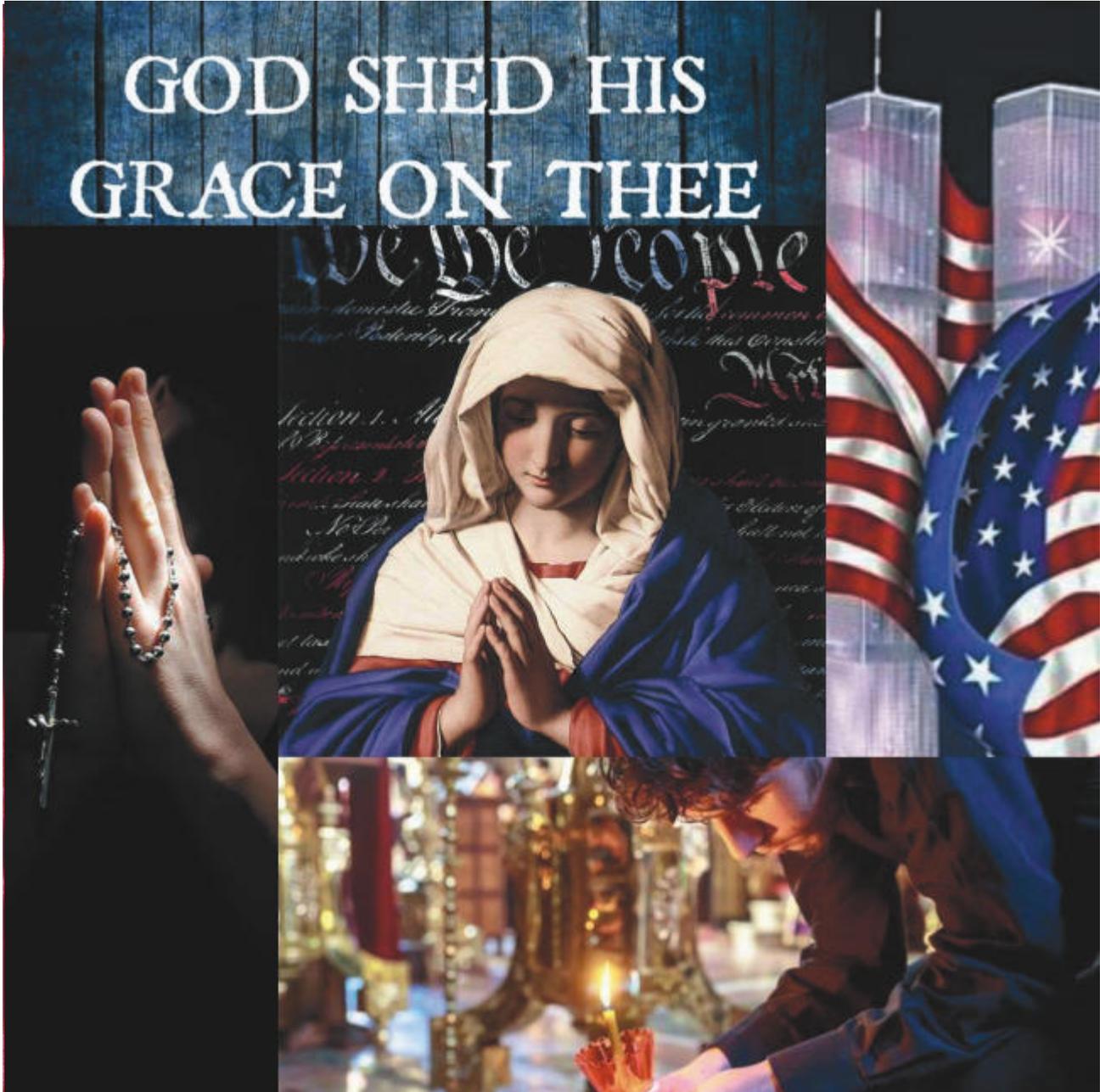
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Daily Mass: T, W, TH, F - 8:30 AM

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 PM

Sunday: 8:00 AM & 10:15 AM

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SEPTEMBER 12, 2021



Mass Intentions
SEPTEMBER 14
Tuesday 8:30am +**GENEVIEVE OBRZUT**
Wednesday 8:30am +**KELLEY HENSLEY**
 Req. By: Mom & Dad
Thursday 8:30am +**WILLIAM R. SADOWSKY**
 Req. By: Family
Friday 8:30am +**FORREST FERGUSEN**
 Req. By: Loving Niece, Nephew & Fam.
 2nd Int. +**TOM DIREENO**
 Req. By: Wife
Saturday 4:00 PM +**STEVEN HATTER**
 Req. By: Loving Family
Sunday 8:00am +**PARISHIONERS**
 10:15am +**JOHN KURINA**
 Req. By: KURINA FAMILY

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

First Reading: 131: Is50:4c-9a
 Psalms 116:1-6,8-9
 Second Reading Jas 2:14-18
 Gospel Mk 8:27-35



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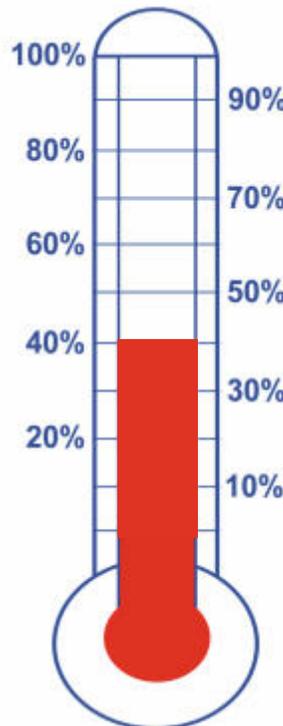
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\$164,000.00

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Raised so far:

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

443: 1Tm2:1-8 Ps28:2,7-9 Lk7:1-10

TUESDAY THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

638: Nm21:4b-9 Ps 78:1b-2,34-38 Phil 2:6-11 Jn3:13-17

WEDNESDAY OUR LADY OF SORROWS

445: 1Tm 3:14-16 Ps 111:1-6 639:jn19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35

THURSDAY STS.. CORNELIUS & CYPRIAN

446:1Tm4:12-16 Ps 111:7-10 Lk 7:36-50

FRIDAY ST. ROBERT BELLARMIN

447:1 Tm6:2c-12 Ps 49:6-10,17-20 Lk 8:1-3



Sunday Morning
Mass Changing
September 5th
New Times
are as Follows
8:00 AM & 10:15 AM

Are you making progress in your spiritual life?

Join the discussion
with the "Divine Mercy Cenacle"

Tuesday, Sept. 14, 2021
at 9:15 AM in the Cabrini Center.

For more information
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***"Mankind will not have peace
until it turns with trust to My Mercy" - Jesus***



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Did you ever wish you could be a Saint? Did you ever wish you could know Jesus better? Getting to know Mary, Jesus's Mother, will be a great blessing for each of us because Mary always leads us to her Son, Jesus?

This year we are inviting the parents of Faith Formation Students to take part in a 10 week retreat taking place while your child/children are in Faith Formation class, from 9:10 to 10:00AM. Starting Sunday, September 12 and ending Sunday, December 12.

For this retreat we will use a book by Fr. Michael Gaitley, “**33 days to Morning Glory**”.

Please call or email me if you have any questions and/or concerns.

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What: 10 week Retreat

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SEPTEMBER 12, 2021

Welcome

BACK POTLUCK!

September 30th @ 6:00 PM
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We look forward to seeing you!

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Mother Angelica Calls Attention to 'Other' Terrorists in U.S.

Note: Mother Angelica had a number of strokes just after the terrorist attacks on Sept. 11. The text below is excerpted from her September 25 television and radio program which was her first time back since the strokes took place. She now has a patch over one eye, has slightly slurred speech and is unable to smile properly because of the strokes. The program is usually heard by millions of people around the world.

Program Excerpt – Comments by Mother Angelica

I wanted to share with you some thoughts I've had about the problems we have in this country, the war, but what kind of war is it? There's no place to go, nothing that you can think to do that would be right, even though justice is necessary. I'd like to talk to you tonight about other terrorists.

Let's take social terrorists – in our country. The kind of terrorists that go into schools and spread drugs. The kind of terrorists that kidnap little children and make them prostitutes and what was always known as white slavery. The kind of terrorists in the entertainment world that put out on television in public, in Europe and all over the world, the worst, worst kind of movies, the most immoral movies. Those are social terrorists. You say, oh no Mother, they, oh yea....look what they have done to this country, look what they have done to our youth. And what is a terrorist, I don't know what a definition is... someone who wants to destroy.

We've had two beautiful buildings destroyed on our land. And many innocent people. People who were blown to bits – just like the first 10, 20 years of abortion. Cut to pieces, thrown in garbage cans and eaten by cats. Same as now. Those are terrorists. I think they're the worst because they destroy innocence and life and populations. Our population is nothing what it should have been. Millions that belonged to us are gone and to me, and, I might be way off beam, I just want to share my heart with you – all those millions and millions that are gone, they can't fight for us because they aren't there. Isn't that a terrorist? Isn't it terrorism to have Satan's music for our little ones to absorb and to begin to murder and kill. Isn't it terrorist to spread drugs everywhere, to push prostitution and immorality among our youth, weaken their hearts, their souls, their minds? Isn't that terror?

Then there's spiritual terror, the kind that makes you afraid to say a prayer in public, the kind that makes you hide your crucifixes and anything religious in your office. The kind that says you can't have a crib in public. That's a terrorist because, in your heart you want to love God. You want to praise God. You want to say thank you Jesus for coming to save us as a little child. Thank you Lord. I think that's a terrorism that's acceptable... but I don't think it is.

Mr. President, I'm an old lady with a minor little stroke, or whatever it is and only one eye, but I can see – that this nation, great, mighty, a sleeping giant, that could bring the whole world to holiness, goodness, compassion, strength and hope, but I don't think, unless we tackle the terrorists in OUR country, we can expect God to protect and guide us.

Mr. President, would you consider putting prayer back in the schools and letting us pray at social functions? I understand that you prayed at a football game or baseball game. Could we pray in restaurants and could we have reminders of the Lord God? Can we put a crib back on our lawns and not be afraid of being ridiculed? Mr. President, would you consider having prayer back in the schools? Would you consider taking that horrible law with permission to kill, to terrorize the innocent? I know some of you are mad at me right now. I figure in my condition I have nothing to lose. But would you consider, saying no more abortion is allowed in this country? Would you consider?

Mr. President, I thought your speech was wonderful. I don't play Democrat or Republican. I don't play anything in politics. I think, in general, politics stinks, but, you gotta vote for somebody. I was proud of you the other day. You were strong and you did put God in. But you see, you can't have two opposite things. You can't allow such terrorists in our country. I know, I know what some of you're out there are thinking "Well you have your nerve, you're trying to tell us what to do". No, I don't care what you do. If you don't want to pray, don't pray. I believe in freedom of religion. I also believe in God and this country is no longer free. See, if you're not free Mr. President, you can't make others free. You can't give what we don't possess.

If we offend God by pornography and allowing pornography, by drugs, by not enough care and supervision, by television that's absolutely rotten, disgraceful, immoral, and allowing innocent children, they feel, those kids feel whatever it is. In the old days they used to have salt saline abortion. They'd burn the little children. As long as that's a law, it cannot be pleasing to God. We can't keep offending God here, then ask for his blessing here. It's not going to work. Most of you might say, mind your own business and talk spiritual things. I think I am, talking about deeply spiritual things.

And all of you that have been so hidden and hurt because of the way these over 6,000 people died, cruel, without love, without anything. What about those little kids. They had no place to run. They had no place to go. You see, I don't want to be depressing tonight. I love you. I love you Mr. President. You may never hear this talk. I hope the spirit, in one of your prayer groups, whispers in your ear because I think some drastic anti-terrorism has to be done in this country – to make us free – to make us filled with trust in God. Then, then you can do the work that you have been given to do. And then the almighty God from on high will be with you, and with this country, and with the world.

I love our president and our congress, because they've gotten together and they done everything America should do. They rose to the occasion. Just as with Pearl Harbor, the Japanese said they woke a sleeping giant, they did again (now). This time, we have a few hindrances. I'm only saying that if we're going to clear out or try to bring to justice terrorists we had better first look at home.... We must be brave and we must accept our penance. We must also change. We must pray, not only for those who died in those terrible, terrible attacks, but have we ever prayed for the children who were murdered, every day? Have we ever said Lord, I can't stop it but I pray they have a high degree of glory in your kingdom... Let us become a repenting nation and change.



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Living with the Angels

Our exorcism ministry can be viewed as a work of the angels. The archangel Michael and legions of angels cast Lucifer and his reprobate angels out of Heaven. We continue their work on this earth. We are fortunate to be allowed to share in this angelic work. Thus, we should be “breathing the air” of the angels. We exorcists are ministering among the angels and are surrounded by them. A mystic told me that at every exorcism there is at least one angel from the rank of powers present and helping. At more difficult exorcisms, we have had as many as eight in the room with us.

To “breathe the air” of angels, we need to detach a bit more from worldly values and live more intentionally in their spiritual realm. Eventually, as our life is more consciously lived in the company of angels, they become our companions and friends. We are living in good company and it is a joy!

St. Michael and the Angelic Powers—The Catholic Church takes the words of the book of Revelation quite literally regarding the battle between St. Michael and the angels and Lucifer and his demons: “Then war broke out in heaven; Michael and his angels battled against the dragon. The dragon and its angels fought back, but they did not prevail. . . . The huge dragon, the ancient serpent, who is called the Devil and Satan, who deceived the whole world, was thrown down to earth, and its angels were thrown down with it.” —*Rev. 12:7–9*

Jesus’ death and Resurrection has definitively defeated and destroyed Satan’s kingdom. But the spiritual battle for souls continues to rage on this earth, and St. Michael and the angels continue to wage war with Satan on our behalf. The angels are especially present during an exorcism, which is a clear moment of spiritual warfare.

Of the nine choirs of angels, it is thought that the rank of powers is particularly present in exorcisms. These angelic powers are of a higher rank than that of the guardian angels and thus have greater power in assisting in the casting out of demons. St. Michael, as protector of the people and the leader of the angelic host that cast out Lucifer, continues to lead the angelic host in repelling Satan’s attacks, especially in an exorcism. In religious iconography, St. Michael is usually depicted with sword in hand and Satan under his foot. Exorcists, naturally, have a close affinity to St. Michael and often invoke his help.

Facing Lucifer—The team and I spend a lot of time dealing with lower-ranking demons. Most people who are possessed have such lesser demons. Thank God. If we get their names during the exorcism, they are not commonly known.

Occasionally we run into a higher-ranking demon, and then it gets rougher. These are the more well-known princes of Hell, such as Beelzebul, Baal, Leviathan, Gressil, and Asmodeus. There are moments when Lucifer himself shows up. These are rare. Some demons who inhabit the possessed claim to be Satan or Lucifer but are usually lower-ranking demons perhaps under their direct command. When Lucifer shows up, he is typically surrounded by Hell’s princes and many, many others. This is ugly.

During a recent session, I was interrogating the demons and commanded them to tell me who was the leader of the possessing demons. The demonic spokesman answered with an arrogant sneer, “The King of Hell himself is our leader.” He added, “You’re way out of your league.” Later they confirmed that it was Lucifer himself. Ugh. We had been exorcising this person for a year and a half, and after all the lower demons had been cast out in Jesus’ name, including Hell’s princes, Lucifer himself finally came to the fore. His personality was unique and unmistakable. He came forward with a hiss that sounded like a snake. He was not like the lower demons, who were often superficially boastful, adolescent, and shallow. Despite their innate intelligence, they acted quite stupidly.

Lucifer, whose name is often translated as “Light Bearer” or “Morning Star” (Isa. 14:12), was brilliant, cunning, measured, and deadly. Lower demons cower in the presence of a priest, but Lucifer did not. Later, I consulted an older exorcist, who said, “They are trying to intimidate you to see if there is any lack of confidence in you, which they will pursue.” He added, “Don’t take the bait.”

It would be a tough spiritual battle, but the team and I had to trust. Lucifer had a very strong army. He marshaled all of his considerable resources, including the princes of Hell and hundreds of demons. But we had the power of Heaven: the Blessed Virgin Mary, the saints and angels, and, of course, Jesus Himself. We couldn’t lose.

I invoked the Blessed Virgin Mary and prayed the Church’s official Rite of Exorcism, with our lay team praying the litanies. The “King of Hell” screamed and writhed like all the rest. As the ancient Rite of Exorcism itself says, “*Cede igitur, cede non mihi, sed ministro Christi,*” that is, “Yield, therefore, yield, not to myself but to the minister of Christ.” Eventually, as with all the others, the power of Christ cast him out.

The Highest Angel Fell—The following passage from Isaiah is often applied to Lucifer, “How you have fallen from the heavens, O Morning Star, son of the dawn! How you have been cut down to the earth, you who conquered nations!” (14:12). The Vulgate translates “Morning Star” as “Lucifer,” which a number of Church Fathers identified as Satan.



Lucifer’s sin, according to St. Thomas Aquinas, was seeking to be as God, by his own nature rather than by God’s grace. Thus, Lucifer sinned through pride. Others identify the sin of Lucifer as one of envy. There are also conflicting opinions as to whether Lucifer was the highest angel before the Fall. St. Thomas agrees with Pope St. Gregory the Great that Lucifer (or Satan) was indeed the highest angel. I would add that the difference between the lower angels and the higher angels is not simply one of a modest degree but an exponential step up in power and intelligence. As the highest angel, Lucifer must have been surpassingly brilliant! Sadly, he must have been blinded by his own brilliance.

Lucifer has great disdain for human beings. By nature, he is so much greater than we puny humans are. What Jesus, the God-Man, is by nature, however, we humans can become by grace. What we can become through grace far surpasses even the angels. By sharing in the divine nature of Jesus, we are raised up, by grace, to participate in God’s very being (Heb. 1:5).

This is astounding. In the beginning, the angels knew of the eventual Incarnation of the Son of God. He was to become human — not an angel. It is believed that Satan rejected this divine act of humility and God’s love for humans.

Satan wars against all humans to spite God the Father and to spite the Son. Similarly, we humans conquer Satan, despite his innate superiority, precisely through our participation in Jesus. In Jesus, we share in the divine nature and we cast out Satan in His name.

Exorcist Diary: The work of the Angels in the Ministry of Exorcism by Msgr. Stephen Rossetti
(CatholicExchange.com)



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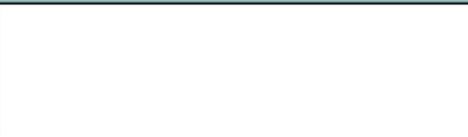
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