Tridentine Community News

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The Angels at Holy Mass



A beautiful reflection has recently been making its way around Facebook. The authorship is unclear.

"WHEN YOU ATTEND MASS, YOU ARE PRAYING AND WORSHIPPING WITH THOUSANDS OF ANGELS. TRULY EACH CHURCH IS FILLED WITH ANGELS."

The angels surround you, dear ones. They minister to you in so many ways.

Understand the strength on your side. When you attend Mass you are praying and worshipping with thousands of angels. Your guardian angel goes with you, of course, and is so grateful for the opportunity to rest in the heavenly companionship of his fellow angels. These beings of light pay rapt attention and take such joy in praising Jesus.

Truly, each church is filled with angels. When you enter a church and find it empty, that means that you can see no other human. But there are angels present and they welcome you as they welcome your angel guardian. This loyal servant of Jesus, your special guardian, prays for you without interruption. When you are safely on the path to heaven, this angel then begins to petition heaven for greater and greater spiritual gifts. Your angel can communicate with the saints in heaven and often seeks out their intercession for you.

When you are working with your angel and with the saints, you will find yourself making sublime spiritual progress because the gifts being secured are of the deepest and sometimes most indiscernible variety. You are often making progress that you do not feel, little soul, but your angel is watching it closely. When something threatens your spiritual progress, your angel attempts to warn you. He does this in many ways. You often hear whisperings, what many call your conscience. This is your angel attempting to persuade you that whatever you are considering will be bad for your cause.

Your angel can anticipate danger so you should always ask him to be alert and assist you. When a soul tries to follow a path of goodness, that person's angel is so pleased. He joyfully sings praise to heaven for the goodness of the soul entrusted to his care. When a person strays off the path of goodness, the angel is saddened and heavy-hearted. Regardless of the darkness practiced by a soul, his angel remains by his side, petitioning heaven for graces to convert his charge.

When an angel guardian anticipates that the soul in his care is about to lose eternity in heaven, that angel stops at nothing to gain intervention. This beautiful being of love will obtain the intercession of many holy souls, asking for prayers and sacrifices. He will seek out the intercession of the saints, and he will stop at nothing to veer his charge away from damnation. It is only at the gates of hell itself that an angel guardian will relinquish hope. Speak to your angel, little souls. Believe in his presence. Jesus wants you to have every consolation available to you on your earthly journey. Take advantage of this good and constant friend.

San Luis Rio Colorado, Mexico Priest Training Report



Congratulations to Fr. Rudy Valenzuela, pastor of Parroquia Del Espíritu Santo (Holy Spirit Parish) and All Saints Mission in San Luis Rio Colorado, Mexico, who celebrated his first Traditional Latin Mass on Tuesday, May 24, 2022, after training from Extraordinary Faith. Fr. Rudy has been offering the Novus Ordo *ad oriéntem* during Advent, has introduced Gregorian Chant into his music program, and has built a new church incorporating substantial religious statuary and a central tabernacle, unusual for the region. The TLM is a next logical step in his goal of offering reverent worship to his parishioners, who incidentally are younger than those of neighboring parishes.

Fun fact: Fr. Rudy has a PhD in Nursing and has founded two medical/dental clinics for the poor, one next door to his church and one across the border in San Luis, Arizona.

Tridentine Masses This Coming Week

<u>Fri. 06/03 7:00 PM:</u> High Mass at *Old St. Mary's* (Feria After Ascension) – Celebrant: Fr. Joe Tuskiewicz. Devotions to the Sacred Heart precede Mass. Reception follows in the parish hall.

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