

The Angels in the Message of Our Lady of America

That there are guardian angels is clearly stated in Sacred Scripture. While some doctors of the Church believed only the baptized had an individual guardian angel, others believed each person had an angel from birth. Jesus referred to the guardian angels of children being always in the presence of God even while tending their charges on earth.

Angels are pure, created spirits without bodies; therefore they do not have senses by which to acquire knowledge. Their knowledge is intuitive. They are of a higher order in creation than man, have intellect, free will and personhood and, as spirit beings, are immortal. They are the servants and messengers of God and do His will at all times. There are nine choirs of angels listed in the Bible: Angels, Archangels, Principalities, Powers, Virtues, Dominations, Thrones, Cherubim and Seraphim. Their missions are related to their hierarchy. Some behold God's Face incessantly while others handle affairs between heaven and earth and the affairs of nations and churches, while others have a more personal task as individual guardian angels. What a gift we have in our own guardian angel!

The three archangels mentioned in our Catholic canon of the Bible are Raphael, Michael and Gabriel. **St. Raphael's** name means **"God has healed" or "medicine of God."** The Book of Tobit tells how he accompanied young Tobias on a journey to fetch Sara for his wife. Raphael interceded to drive out the demonic spirit that brought death to Sara's seven previous husbands on their wedding night. Because he then gave Tobias a healing remedy to cure his father's blindness, Raphael is considered a patron saint of the blind, as well as of travelers, healers, nurses and physicians. His story speaks to both physical and spiritual healing and gives evidence of angels as guides, guardians, messengers and intercessors on our behalf against demons.

St. Gabriel, whose name means **"hero of God" or "God is my strength,"** announced to Mary that she would give birth to the Messiah. Tradition holds that it was Gabriel who announced the birth of John the Baptist to Zachary, and who told Joseph in a dream not to fear to take Mary as his wife for her child was of God. It was he who bid Joseph take Mary and the Child to Egypt to avoid Herod's massacre of the Innocents, and then told Joseph when it was safe to return after Herod's death. Most likely it was Gabriel who warned the Magi not to return to Herod after finding the newborn King of the Jews!

The name **Michael**, which means **"who is like God?"** raises the question: **"Who can ever be like God?"** The answer is **"No one!" for no one but God is sufficient unto Himself!** St. Michael is best remembered for his battle with Lucifer and the rebellious angels in Paradise, a story that comes to us through Tradition and the Doctors of the Church. Bishop Fulton J. Sheen believed God chose to make a moral universe so that love

would be possible. Love by its nature demands intelligence and freedom, both of which demand choice. Choice necessitates a test, the option to choose or reject God's Truth and Love, the option to acknowledge or disavow one's total dependency upon God for one's existence and one's destiny. Love and freedom are always a risk, for if one is free to accept, one is also free to reject. Many of the angels passed their test, but the Book of Revelation tells us one third of them failed and were cast down to earth. Those who opposed Lucifer's false claim to be like God were led by Michael **whose name stands as a battle cry against all false gods** as he continues to defend the honor of God against all who would try to usurp His throne. The **"lie of Satan" is that fundamental denial of dependency on God by acting as if one is the cause of one's own existence, sufficient unto oneself.** Unless God created us, we would not exist; unless He sustains us, we would cease to exist.

The message of Our Lady of America to Sister Mildred Mary Neuzil mentions four angels, the archangels Michael, Gabriel and Sardus, and the angel Sultra. St. Michael and St. Gabriel are sent to Sister to guide and protect her in **her own special mission for our Lady. Sultra and Sardus identify themselves as special guardian angels and protectors for America, the United States of America, to help us carry out the Divine Mandate given to America to lead the world to peace. When God gives a mission, He first gives all the grace necessary to carry out that mission.** While the names Sardus and Sultra are not in our Canon, the Church is free to remove their particular names and simply refer to them as guardians angels for America and the United States without losing any of the splendor of their promises if we do Our Lady's bidding. The Diary tells us why these angels are so important for America.

It is evident that the Forces of Evil are enveloping the world. Their hatred, however, is now particularly focused on the United States because of the Divine Mandate given to it to lead the world to peace. (Sister Mildred Mary Neuzil, The Diary, OUR LADY OF AMERICA©, Fostoria, Ohio, Pg. 39.)

How important must this message be that God sent **St. Michael** to personally protect Sister against Satan's attacks upon her and upon this devotion to **the Divine Indwelling of the Most Holy Trinity** which Our Lady promised would crush Satan's power over us. When Our Lady spoke of this Mandate to America to be the leader in an urgently needed **"reform of life" that will bring us peace**, Sister questioned if America was capable of the task. Our Lady assured her that St. Michael and a host of angels would be with us. Victory in battle always brings peace. St. Michael was victorious in the battle against Lucifer in Paradise and he will be victorious in every other battle against Satan, for God is on his side. Hence, St. Michael calls himself **the Angel of Peace**. The Hebrew Scriptures speak of guardian angels for nations and churches as well as for individuals. In the Book of Daniel Michael and Gabriel protect God's people against the evil prince of Persia, seen as Satan or a fallen angel operating as the "god of this world." That evil spirit of "the world" is in direct opposition to the reign of God which is "not of this world" but is "within you," the Divine Indwelling. **The one within is always stronger than the one without. Hence, the promised victory through the Divine Indwelling of the Most Holy Trinity!**

St. Gabriel aligns himself with purity and directs Sister to go to Mary where she will learn great purity of heart so pleasing to the Lord, for who can know the heart of the Son better than the Mother? Just as St. Gabriel fought with St. Michael to defend the chosen ones against the evil prince of Persia, so they will fight together to drive evil and impurity from our land.

The archangel Sardus and the angel Sultra, as presented in this **private revelation**, are **guardian angels for America, for the United States of America**. We recall the **guardian angel of Portugal** giving Holy Communion to the Fatima children. He was St. Michael, the angel of peace, yet is spoken of simply as the guardian angel of Portugal. Guardian angels for nations and churches should be as credible as guardian angels for ourselves. The Book of Revelation speaks of the seven angels for the seven Churches. One of the Churches is the Church of Sardis, spelled differently than the archangel Sardus in Sister's Diary but likely coming from similar roots. We see in Exodus 39:10-13 that there are 12 precious stones set in the High Priest's breastplate to represent the 12 tribes of Israel, and Revelation 21:18-21 speaks of 12 precious stones set in the foundations of the New Jerusalem, referring to the 12 apostles. The color of each of these precious stones has special symbolism, much like that attributed to the various colored birthstones for the 12 months of the year. The first gem in the breastplate is called carnelian in Hebrew, sard or sardion in Greek, and sardius in the Latin Vulgate, and is "blood red" or garnet colored, symbolizing the blood of martyrs. Reference: <http://www.newadvent.org/cathen/14304c.htm>

If the name Sardus is derived from the same root word as Sardis, it speaks highly to Our Lady's purpose in making her first appearance on the feast of the North American martyrs whose blood became the seed of the Faith in America, martyrs very devoted to the Immaculate Conception long before she became our Patroness. Reference: <http://www.incompanywithangels.org/index.php/the-angels/sardis>

I am the Archangel Sardus, Protector, Guardian and Defender of America whose soil is saturated with martyrs' blood and honors so highly the Queen of Heaven and Her holy Spouse who work only to further the Kingdom of Jesus. (The Diary, Pg. 42)

The Angel of the Church of Sardis in Revelation challenges those who live "**only the outward appearance of charity and faith.**" "You have a reputation of being alive but you are dead." Does this not sound like the words of Our Lord to Sister Mildred in May of 1954?

My little white dove, do you know what I find most lacking in the world today? It is FAITH. There are so few souls that believe in Me and My love. They profess their belief and their love, but they do not live this belief. Their hearts are cold, for without faith there can be no love. (The Diary, Pg. 5.)

There are similarities between these four angels. The **archangel Sardus** wears a band across his right shoulder that says "**Strength of God,**" similar to the meaning of Gabriel's name, and carries shafts of light that hint at the sword of Michael. Light and the sword represent Divine Truth and Love in contrast to the lies and hate and darkness of

Satan. When Sardus speaks of America's soil being saturated with martyrs' blood, one must wonder if he speaks only of the blood of martyrs in the past, or if he is addressing the blood of thousands of innocent babies being killed in brutal abortions today that mock God's Lordship over all life? God will not be mocked! Sister Mildred spoke often that America, and the world, would be punished for the grave sin of abortion. We see in Jesus the Father's tender love for the little children. We see also in our holy and Immaculate Mother, **Mother of the unborn Jesus** Whom she carried to full term in her virginal womb, a special model for all pregnant women from the first moment of conception to the delivery of their child!

The **angel Sultra, Protector of the United States of America**, wears a band across his shoulder with the words "**power of God**," reminiscent of Michael's great power over the evil one. Sultra, too, carries a gigantic sword tipped in a searing white flame, mindful of the Sword of Michael and Our Lady of America's "**Torchbearers of the Queen**"; Our Lady identifies this torch as the flame of Divine Love. Sultra carries the lightning bolts of God's justice, a theme throughout Our Lady's message. If we do not heed the warnings of God's mercy, we will experience the hand of His justice, for justice is as perfect an attribute in God as is His mercy and His love. The message of Our Lady of America and these two guardian angels for America speak strongly to both that perfect justice of God if we do not repent, and that perfect mercy if we accept Our Lady's warnings and reform our lives. This message is a covenant; it is two-sided, though God never fails on His side.

Note, too, on the **angel Sultra's right shoulder sits a pure white dove**, the same symbol Our Lord used to address Sister Mildred's purity and humility when he called her "**my little white dove.**" **The dove is a symbol used for both peace and purity**, the titles by which St. Michael, Angel of Peace, and St. Gabriel, Angel of Purity, identified themselves to Sister. The dove is also the symbol of the Holy Spirit, Divine Spouse of the Pure Virgin Mother of God. The angel Sultra announces his protection of the United States because we honor and love the Pure Virgin as our Patroness, the Immaculate Conception. He promises that this nation, and all who pursue peace, will know the protection of God against the infernal spirits that seek to destroy them. Hebrew Scriptures speak of the violent conflicts between good and evil spirits and their effect in determining history and the control of nations. The great wars of the centuries, with their bloodshed, heartache and tragedy, are spoken of as being waged in the heavens while being played out on the earth. The angel Sultra declares his defense of the United States against these unholy spirits.

I am the Angel Sultra, sent by the Almighty whose faithful servant I am, to help the people of God in their hour of need. I have been appointed guardian, protector and defender of the United States of America whose people honor and love the Immaculate Virgin, the Queen of Angels and have dedicated their land to Her.

If the people of this Land carry out faithfully the instructions and pleadings of the Lord Jesus and the Virgin Mother then they will be following me to the hour of peace. With this sword of the Divine white flame of Love and the lightning bolts of His infinite Justice God will strike down his

enemies and heal the repentant sinner. This Nation and all who follow in the pursuit of peace will know the protection of God and the destruction of those who fight and seek to destroy them through the evil powers of the infernal spirits of darkness and hate. (The Diary, Pg. 41)

Our Lady said she wishes **“to make the whole of America my shrine by making every heart accessible to the love of my Son.”** (The Diary, Pg. 12.) Jesus Himself declares:

“My children, every home and every soul is My Father’s house, for He made them and they are His. But many of them are no longer sanctified by His Presence. Thieves have entered in and stolen from Him His temples of prayer. It is you, My children, who have let them in. If, My children, you will cleanse your temples, My Father will return and We will come and make our abode with you.

Return, My people, for My Heart hungers and thirst for your love. If you will not return, the just anger of My Father will descend upon you. What would you—My love or My Father’s anger? Choose, and as you choose, so shall it be done. I will not force your free will, for that is yours to use as you desire.” (The Diary, Pg. 7.)

It has been said that the greatest joy we can give our guardian angel is to receive Holy Communion and make our breast a tabernacle of the Eternal God before Whom our angel can adore Him. Angels have no body in which to receive the Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus. Imagine if our whole nation returned to God and became such a tabernacle and hosts of angels would gather around every person in America, adoring in our midst the living God within us. Just imagine!

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