My Beloved Children,

The **Mighty Angels Magazine** is a new diocese children's publication especially for you! The title "**Mighty Angels**" refers to those magnificent spirits of light and love that serves God and always does His Holy bidding. Angels



Archangel Michael

were created by God and obey His every command. There are so many angels that surround the Heavenly Throne of God that it is impossible to count them.

Because the Lord loves children so much He sends His **Mighty Angels** to guide and to protect them. Children of God cannot see the angels taking care of them because all angels are invisible. They do not have any human form or features. Sometimes though, God will give angels a bodily shape so His dear children can see them and even speak to them.

Did you know that angels can move from Heaven to earth and back to Heaven? An example of this occurs during the Divine Liturgy when the angels come down from Heaven and praise God with us.

In Heaven there are many different types of angels. The

Seraphim and the Cherubim are angels who bear the throne of God. They have six wings and many eyes (Isaiah 6:2).

The Principalities, the Dominions, the Thrones, the Lordships and the Powers, the Archangels and all the other angels offer praise to the Lord.

Archangel Michael and his rank of angels fight against Satan and guard us from Satan's evil ways. Archangel Michael is also the guard of all the Coptic Monasteries. He is an angel of superior love and is often called the "Prince of the Heavenly Hosts."

It is my prayer that we will all serve the Lord and obey His Holy Word as the **Mighty Angels:**

<u>"Praise the Lord</u>, you His angels, You mighty ones, who <u>do His bidding</u>, Who <u>obey His Word</u>." (Psalm 103:20)



Archangel Gabriel

God bless you,

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His Grace Bishop Youssef