## PRAYER TO ST MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL - BEST RECESSIONAL SONG EVER!

In 1884, Pope Leo VIII wrote the prayer to St. Michael the Archangel, to be recited <u>at the conclusion of Mass.</u> I have arranged it as a 2 verse that makes a perfect recessional for ANY Mass. This way you can honor the inspired recommendation of Pope VIII. We have used it at my parish for years.

## **Original Text of the Prayer:**

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle.
Be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the Devil.
May God rebuke him, we humbly pray,
and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly hosts,
by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan,
and all the evil spirits,
who prowl about the world
seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

## HYMN ADAPTATION

O Glorious Saint Michael, Archangel of the Lord, be our defense in battle, we pray with one accord. Against the snares of Satan, protect us here today, in Jesus' name rebuke him, We humbly dare to pray.

O Glorious Saint Michael, great prince of heaven's hosts, O vanquisher of demons and guardian of souls, through God, who grants you power, cast into hell, we pray, all fallen angels searching for souls to lead astray.

Text: Prayer to St. Michael the Archangel, Pope Leo VIII adapted Luke Massery © 2014.

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AURELIA: The Church's One Foundation (My favorite choice) ST THEODULPH: All Glory, Laud and Honor ELLECOMBE: I Sing the Mighty Pow'r of God PASSION CHORALE: O Sacred Head Surrounded