

Holy Archangels Gabriel and Michael

And all the Heavenly Angels

ARCHANGEL GABRIEL

Gabriel is one of the seven Archangels known from the Holy Scriptures. The name in Hebrew means "Power of God." Gabriel is considered to be the angel who communicates the prayers of man to God.

Archangel Gabriel is mentioned in regard to revealing the mysteries of the coming of Christ to the prophets and explaining their visions, as he did with the Prophets Daniel and Zechariah, father of St. John the Baptist. Archangel Gabriel later witnessed Christ's acts of salvation and participated in them by visiting St. Mary Mother of God and delivering to her the heavenly tidings.

ARCHANGEL MICHAEL

The Archangel Michael is known from the Holy Scripture to be the prince of the Israelites, who fought against their enemies.

As a commander of the heavenly hosts in the old covenant, he invisibly fought with Israel against their enemies. Likewise, in the new covenant, he fights with the Church of Christ against Satan. His fight in heaven and triumph over the dragon, Satan and his evil supporters, are described in the Revelations of St. John the Evangelist.

