

THE PATRIOT'S CALL: *United for Faith & Freedom*

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Honoring Saint Michael the Archangel: Color Corps Commemorates a Day of Faith, Fraternity, and Heavenly Purpose



Today, under radiant skies and in the presence of a full and faithful congregation, Our Lady of Lourdes Parish bore witness to a moment of profound spiritual significance: the dedication of a statue to Saint Michael the Archangel.

This special edition of *The Patriot's Call* celebrates not only the beauty of the ceremony, but the deeper meaning it holds for our Fourth Degree Assembly 1818 and the Color Corps who stood in solemn formation, embodying the virtues of protection, honor, and unwavering service.

The Mass, led by our pastor Father Jay Jancarz, was a stirring tribute to Saint Michael's enduring role as defender of the Church and guardian of souls. With reverent hymns and heartfelt prayers, the sanctuary was filled with the spirit of unity and devotion. Following the liturgy, the congregation processed outside to witness the unveiling and blessing of the statue a striking symbol of heavenly strength now standing watch over our parish grounds. Bathed in sunlight and surrounded by the faithful, the moment felt timeless.

For the Color Corps of Assembly 1818, this dedication was more than ceremonial it was a call to mission. Clad in regalia and bearing the sword of service, our Sir Knights stood as earthly reflections of Saint Michael's heavenly charge. Just as the Archangel leads the hosts of heaven against the forces of darkness, our Color Corps upholds the dignity of the Church, defends the vulnerable, and brings solemnity to every sacred occasion.

Their presence today was a living testament to the Fourth Degree's commitment to patriotism, faith, and spiritual readiness.

As we welcome Saint Michael's likeness to our parish, may his example inspire us to stand firm in truth, to protect what is holy, and to serve with valor. Let this statue be not only a monument, but a daily reminder that we are never alone in our battles that the Archangel fights beside us, and that our Assembly, united in purpose, marches forward under his banner.

















