



Members commit themselves to intercessory prayer for Our Lady Star of the Sea School, Aquinas Classical Academy, Catholic Schoolhouse, and all parish homeschools:

- That our schools and homes would be places of joy and light and beacons of hope in our community.
- That the light of God's grace and blessings would shine on our schools, staff, students, and families.
- That our students would see the light of truth and be led to love and follow the One who is Truth.
- That Our Lady, St. Thomas Aquinas, and all the saints would shine the light of protection upon our schools and homes.

### COMMITMENTS:

1. Attend Friday Mass at Our Lady Star of the Sea and/or Wednesday Mass at Holy Trinity, when possible, and offer communion for the schools and educators.
2. After Friday and/or Wednesday Mass, pray the established Intercessory Prayers (*see below*) or on your own if not possible to attend Mass.
3. Each Friday, offer some small sacrifice or penance for the schools.
4. Attend annual Lumen Veritatis Day of Recollection each Fall.
5. Commitment to be renewed annually at the beginning of September.

### PRAYERS TO BE PRAYED EACH FRIDAY/WEDNESDAY:

Christ, our Divine Teacher, we thank You for the gift of Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic School, Aquinas Classical Academy, Catholic Schoolhouse, and all parish homeschools. We pray that they would always be faithful to the mission of proclaiming the Good News of Your life, death, and resurrection, of modeling authentic Christian discipleship, of worshiping You in Spirit and Truth, and of building a joyful Christian community.

Lord Jesus, we ask You to bless all those involved in our schools. Protect them from the assaults of the enemy who wants to confuse, divide, and destroy.

Give our **clergy** wisdom and courage to lead. Guide them to form our schools so that they are places of real encounter with You, where all may come to know and love You deeply. Inspire them with Your vision and give them the strength to bring it to fruition.

Bless our **school leaders** that they may lead with understanding, humility, and fortitude, striving to share the fruits of their own relationship with You in guiding their school community. May they be filled with zeal to foster a culture of excellence, respect and love.

Give our **teachers and staff** the grace to form, teach, and guide those students entrusted to them. May they be filled with wonder and delight for the truth, and joyfully share that truth with our students. Help them to see their vocation as educators as an opportunity to share in Your ministry of teaching. We pray for Your blessings over their faith, their families, and their work. May they be empowered by Your Holy Spirit to discern the needs of their students and to respond to those needs creatively.

Bless our **students** as they seek to love all that is true, good, and beautiful. Help them to achieve clarity of thought, nobility of character, and purity of heart. May they be diligent, humble, and honest, embracing excellence and renouncing mediocrity. Give all our students the grace to aspire to wisdom and to a life of faith, hope, and charity, fulfilling their destiny as a Child of God.

Give our **parents**, who are the primary educators of their children, the grace to create a family life inspired by love and respect for God and man, fostering faith, prayer, and virtue in their children. May they be animated by a spirit of unity and cooperation with those to whom they have entrusted their children's education. Give them the grace to recognize the inestimable importance the authentically Christian family has for the life and progress of all members of this community.

Bless our schools with the people and financial resources we need to continue to be faithful to the mission entrusted to us.

*We ask your Holy Mother's prayerful intercession:*

### **MEMORARE**

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thine intercession was left unaided.

Inspired by this confidence, I fly unto thee, O Virgin of virgins, my mother; to thee do I come, before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in thy mercy hear and answer me. Amen.

*And the intercession of St. Michael:*

### **PRAYER TO ST. MICHAEL**

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil; may God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

*Most Sacred Heart of Jesus*  
*Our Lady Star of the Sea*  
*Our Lady Seat of Wisdom*  
*St. Joseph Terror of Demons*  
*Sts. Peter and Paul*  
*St. Cecilia*  
*St. Gregory the Great*  
*St. Albert the Great*  
*St. Thomas Aquinas*  
*St. Bonaventure*  
*St. Aloysius Gonzaga*  
*St. John Bosco*  
*St. Jean Baptiste de la Salle*  
*St. John Neumann*  
*St. Angela Merici*  
*St. Elizabeth Ann Seton*  
*St. Rose Duchesne*  
*St. Katherine Drexel*  
*St. Frances Cabrini*  
*All holy men and women*

Have mercy on us  
Pray for us

