

## A MICHAELMAS PLAY

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### Cast of Characters:

**King**  
**Queen**  
**Princess**

**Knight (St. George)**  
**Guards**  
**Courtiers**

**Man (or woman) 1**  
**Man (or woman) 2**  
**People**

*(All enter with song: King, Court, Princess, Queen takes their places)*

### **People**

O King, we pray thee  
To send us aid!  
We are defenseless against the dragon's raid.  
Send us your soldiers!  
Send us a knight  
That they may help us  
The dragon to fight.  
Our maidens, alas, have perished;  
By the dragon devoured—  
All those we cherished.  
O King, we pray thee  
Send us aid!  
All have been taken—  
There's not one more maid!

### **King**

My faithful citizens  
So sorely pressed!  
All over our country  
Our need was addressed.  
Many have answered  
But were seen no more.  
With sorrow and despair

### **People**

We must now await the day  
When the Princess so fair  
Must become the dragon's prey.  
O dreadful woe!  
O need so great!  
Let us then at this hour late  
Call for protection St. Michael.  
He once cast the dragon  
Out of the Heavens into Hell.  
Let us then pray  
And keep our trust.  
There must be help,  
There must, there must.

<b>All</b> 🎵	<i>Unconquered hero of the skies, Saint Michael. Against the foe with us arise, St. Michael. Thine aid bestow against the foe, St. Michael.</i>
<b>People</b>	<p>Of help we are in desperate need, O Michael, with your aid proceed!</p> <p><i>(The King embraces his daughter, bidding her a last farewell)</i></p> <p>O dreadful woe, O need so great! The King's own daughter, The beautiful maid, To the dragon's cave The soldiers will lead! Isn't there anyone To answer our need?</p>
<b>Knight</b>	<p>I hear such wailing, I see distress— Where are the soldiers Leading the princess?</p>
<b>Man/Woman 1</b>	<p>To the dragon's cave To be his food. The poor, young princess, So gentle and good.</p>
<b>Man/Woman 2</b>	<p>We all have lost daughters. O help us, dear knight! Save this poor maiden, The King's only delight.</p>
<b>Knight</b>	<p>This is my task! Forth I will go To rid this kingdom Of its ravenous foe.</p>
<b>All</b>	<p>O Michael, St. Michael Thou angel of the Lord— Give us the light Give us the strength Of thy victorious sword.</p>
<b>People</b>	<p>(1.) O listen, hear the dragon roar! (2.) O knight, farewell, we can stay no more! (3.) Let us flee to safety. (4.) Let us quickly scatter. (5.) We cannot help you in this matter.</p>

*(Dragon roars backstage. All people run about screaming)*

**People**

Help! H - e - l - p!

*(St. George goes offstage and comes back with the Princess)*

**Knight**

Where have they all gone?  
Did they all disperse?  
Come back, good citizens!  
Come back – emerge!  
Go, tell the King the dragon has perished.  
Now peace and happiness  
Can be cherished.  
Go tell the king,  
Prepare the feast.  
You need have no fear now of any beast.

*(The King reenters)*

**Knight**

Give praise to St. Michael, our guide,  
And celebrate in this autumntime.

**All** 🎵

*Unconquered Hero of the skies, St. Michael .....*

The End

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