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'Ave Maria' caps Republican National Convention: 'Most Catholic moment in American history'

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WASHINGTON, D.C., August 28, 2020 (LifeSiteNews) – The Republican National Convention concluded with what one commentator has called "the most Catholic moment in American history": the performance of "Ave Maria" – the "Hail Mary" prayer, put to music.

Opera singer Christopher Macchio offered a beautiful rendition of the song, cherished by Catholics, from the Blue Room balcony of the White House after President Donald Trump's speech officially accepting his party's nomination to run for reelection.

After the sung prayer to Our Lady, Macchio invited the Trump family and guests gathered on the south lawn of the White House to join in singing "God Bless America" and "America the Beautiful."

"God will honor those who honor Him (and those who honor the Mother of God the Son)," proclaimed Dr. Taylor Marshall, Catholic author and a member of Catholics for Trump advisory board. "Ave Maria!!!!"

"This is the most Catholic moment in American history," declared conservative Catholic commentator John Zmirak. "Thank New York City, a once great Catholic city, for making potus possible."

"By all means let's invoke the help of Jesus' mother in protecting our nation & our descendants from those who consider abortion 'sacred' and our physical, sexual natures as the tools of fetishists, quack doctors, and pornographers," continued Zmirak in a subsequent Tweet.

"The stakes could not be clearer this election," he added.