

OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

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OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

Having listened to his reply, the Lady said .

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 b.l, Author of Life, Creator of all, hather of Ueas lfce where,
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 anti sympathy to all the natives, to **thosorrows** and afflictions ;
 "l. .- who solicit my help and call on me in . av and turn their
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 'y-Λ towards me. Ln order to carry' out my that j send thee.
 I : city of Mexico and to the bishop s palace, a . Relate to him
 * my wish that a church be erected for me in grateful to thee
 .at thou hint seen and heard, and be sure that s eXalt thee. Hast thou
 ' . *:4t thou doc-t for me and as recompense s. j shall repay
 ' . : v. wish, my son? Go thou in peace and << . tō accomplishh
 - : rthy work and diligence; and do all that thou

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 ■h.in Diego proceeded immediately to ,_.,ηιτ» a Franciscan,
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Juan Diego replied

Do not be displeased, my Queen, and my Lady go willingly and with all my heart. I will obey your message for it is not hard at all for me to do it; but the bishop or the bishop shall not believe me; but in spite of his command and orderest. and I shall wait for thee. Lady, to-morrow place, and shall bring thee the answer: and thus, Lady, and God be with thee.

The next day Siwday Jmm, after hearing Mass, went to the bishop. As the bishop's servants took a long time to permit him to enter, Juan felt very miserable and he and sobs he said to the bishop: "For the Mother of God in the same place. I reply to the message she had sent to you, to let you know that you must erect the place where I have seen and spoken with her. I reiterate that she is the Mother of God Mary who commands it."

know she was the Mother of God. Juan he would like and the bishop answered that ever proof the Lady thought best. When two of his Spanish servants follow him to said that he had spoken to the Blessed Virgin a bridge near the foot of the hill, the Indian servants were very annoyed, regarding him soon as Juan Diego reached the summit of Our Lady awaiting him. The Indian humbly addressed

So as to accomplish thy command, I return him thy message; and having examined me he was not enough for such a serious undertaking, and It is thy Will that a church be erected in this place.

Our Lady, with endearing words, thanked the Indian and returned her orders and told him to return next day and she would then give him the sure if The Indian said to the bishop and to her aid she would with the promised

return = December 11th. Juan Diego came to the place on Tuesday

Tuesday, he had to attend him all that day. Next day for the fear of his uncle who was dying, he the last sacrament? he called one of the priests to administer teaching instead of taking the along the slope of the he would not meet him

•nning to return later for the proof for the bishop. J*

' fountain. Our Lady appeared to bmi. * , . wdh
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sane brightness. She said to him : * V' he£^rTndiangren£ined
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■ ■ ■ : <» to vail a priest to give him the last ^atral, τ'. , fhv command;
' I death. When I have done this I shall conic hen « - ηθ£ . to
? : ■ . pardon me. mv Lady. and be not ihsp*cas? ? — without fail.
- . and I give th«- my promise to be here to-morrow witno^

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anj health.

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b- uom about your uncles illness. He shall not UK
H p* ac-. He i- cured.

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■ i. my dear and tender son, and eu ;æd bring them to
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 ° (tilma. The bishop marvelled at these proofs of Our La^k.
 presence on the hill of Tepeyac. in particular the niiran..
 picture. He then took Juan s tilma and carried it to his orate"
 thanks to God and His Holy Mother.

The bishop detained Juan at his palace that day and next nm.'
 he set out with him. to have him point out the site of the rh.:
 which Our Lady wished to be erected. Having complete; " I
 mission, Juan asked permission to visit his uncle who had i*
 ■p e b*sh°P sent some attendants with him. ordering them * -
 th 16 man was i°und restored to health to bring him back »'
 them. Juan Bernardino, on seeing his nephew accompanied '
 Spaniards, asked him the reason for it, and was told of the mira- I
 excuts. He enquired of his nephew the exact time that Oar I-
 had assured him that he (the uncle) would be restored to i† :'
 Dn being informed, Juan Bernardino said that in the same h -
 had seen Our Lady, exactly as described by Juan Diec<'. ilr; ;'
 ad restored him to perfect health, telling him that it wa< ne<"'
 a a church be erected in the place where his nephew had "<i-
 an also that the miraculous image be named Holy Man ci l> * .
 u i ^ndians were brought to the bishop who qu<.' : :
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 o generate it. The bishop placed it in the cathedral, whiw : ; ;
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 lem seriously woundeel an Indian man in the crowd. Mi-
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 m the altar and the brass crucifix on the altar was ^Xched,
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 ' ni-rcy and sympathy *to all the naines*. . . cxjCan soil was
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 ' "■-hzed that this great conversion «nU^the devotion to
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surrounded their beloved shrine, remaining there for ten days until convinced that all danger had passed. Surely a most impressive example of love for the *Virgen Morena*.

Perhaps one of the most interesting and remarkable of grace was the conversion of an American newspaperman to the Virgin of Guadalupe, and it happened in our time*. H. v. Broun was a very popular columnist and writer, with leanings to the left! He visited Mexico on one occasion as a tourist. Like most tourists, he wanted to see all the sights and in due time found himself inside the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe. He spent an hour there, watching mesmerized the simple and pure faith of the Indian pilgrims that streamed through the aisles up the aisles on their knees. On his return to the U.S.A. Mr. Broun sought out Monsignor Fulton Sheen, the famous preacher, and in a short time he was received into the Church. His conversion caused a profound sensation throughout the United States when he was as well known as the President. He was but one of many loving converts of the Virgin of Guadalupe.

In 1955 the miraculous image was solemnly crowned with a silver crown, rich with precious stones, with all the dignified ceremonies of the Church. This year, being the fiftieth anniversary, it was decided to honour the occasion with a special central ceremony was the solemn blessing and dedication of a golden crown. The celebrations were held in Mexico City, which was held in Dublin in 1932! Cardinal Vilnius of Canada, was the Papal Legate and arrived in full pomp and received at the border by a delegation of the Mexican Government. The Mexican government was tolerant and gracious, officially recognizing the great religious event. The Mexican people were thankful for this small favour, and other unhappy days! The Cardinal was expected at that evening, but a huge crowd of people gathered outside the city of Mexico and he was obliged to leave his automobile to the Basilica. The crowd prevented their Papal Legate, the first Prince of the Church in Mexico, to leave them. So his official departure was performed posthaste until the next day.

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ecclesiastical province, for the United States and for Canada. I have mentioned twice before the first time with a Marvknok; Eath. Yucatan, Wui, pi, from j t - yp, '.*.' | *->1. << I h-.i ,r. oP eial in ih IIM ft\ihe unit J 7tnuh "S "ted State paient A7hbb,h<iP <<<muet of Orleans H* Legate pralm ;. with a semwti by Archbishop

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 -re aisle ea7h day. holding lighted candles and <mgmg^

hymns to their Virgin and Mother, " «

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 f Mexico have sought and found conio j a very
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 'i'h the Papal Legate. Cardinal 'φoηoι hundred priests
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this Jove and in this faith we find a guarantee for the conservation of your Mexican Catholics, in the Virgin of Guadalupe. Your brothers and fath'- » victims of the persecution and in defence of the faith they faced death w.* fear or flinching, exclaiming ' Viva Christ the King and Viva the Qu... Guadalupe.' To-day, the conditions of the Church and of religion in your r" have notably improved, showing that your prayers and your fervour w.r< vain. \<m, Catholics of the Americas, should continue firm in your fully conscious of your rights. . . . We are sure that while the Virgin is r... as Queen and Mother of the Americas, Mexico will continue to be »-riy-

The celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of the coronari";' the miraculous image may well mark a turning point in the history of Mexico. After years of bloody persecution, the v - inflicted on any modern nation by a native government, M»v. appears now to be veering to the " middle of the road." Its politi-;, r appear convinced that nothing can be gained— and everythin!.' - by a persecution of religion. Also Communism, which had , : this city its headquarters for the American continent. app...'' lx: on the wane. The sudden death of the Russian Amba'--: Constantine Oumansky, with all his diplomatic staff, in a :< accident, April (1945), appears to have permanently weaken-l- communistic cause. He, personally, was the dominant fon< l'" communistic activities and was a man of great ability and a >p- . linguist. He was one of the high officials of the Soviet, and tin that he was accredited to Mexico signifies the importance atare' .

aS a centre for future revolutionary activity. The press of Mexico was unanimous in echoing the sentim- . " the people and followed the ceremonies each day with. p!i'- and detailed descriptions. At the ceremonies in the ehurci'. lry Hash-bulbs were continually in action. Even the wteki} months periodicals appeared with pictures of Our Lady of tmai-... on the covers. The Papal Legate left a very happy impri""*. he citizens of Mexico by his great svmnathv and kindness. a?.. last act when leaving the capital was to bless the city and

As if to close for ever the sad epoch of the persecuti- n. <." vr Cf,ronation ceremonie;, at the Basilica. * UIas ta les, ex-President of Mexico ami the ' strong man m the days ot the persecution, passed away here in the h: hospital from a heart ailment. it was rumoured in the pre..' **' thL T *era ^X;b>re his death, a frequent visitor and . <l e ^"President was a Jesuit Father. However, his deari- A

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OUR LADY'S MEDIEVAL PLAYS¹

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Most students of medieval drama are made familiar with the Blessed Saviour's life and the mysteries of His life, and especially the Old Testament, but the plays which are less known. This is a great pity; because, although they exercised no small influence on the development of our Lady's feasts, and were a tremendous source of joy and affection for her. Most of the manuscripts which have been lost, and all the others are still in a state of

decay. In these islands are normally many of the New Testament plays. We find that the Virgin Mary dominates the scene, for instance, at the birth of Christ. In the High Middle Ages the visit of the Magi, and the flight into Egypt. But, on some of her great dramatic interest because those

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