

# NEWS *from the* MISSIONARY IMAGE of OUR LADY of GUADALUPE

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Dan Lynch and  
The Missionary Image

## Mary Most Holy, Queen of the Holy Rosary October 2009 – The Month of the Rosary

*“As long as priests followed Saint Dominic’s example and preached devotion to the Holy Rosary, piety and fervor thrived throughout the Christian world and in those religious orders which were devoted to the Rosary.” – St. Louis De Montfort*

### Dear Friend of Our Lady of Guadalupe,

St. Louis De Montfort was no stranger to the power of the Rosary. He knew that the tides of change impacted the fervor with which the Holy Rosary was embraced and prayed. He stated that *“Since people have neglected this gift from heaven, all kinds of sin and disorder have spread far and wide.”*

We see in the world today the impact made by negligence to Our Lady’s Rosary. Yet Our Lady of Guadalupe reminds us to be her children of hope. Gently she told St. Juan Diego, *“Listen and let it penetrate your heart, my dear little son, let nothing discourage you, nothing depress you. Let nothing alter your heart or your countenance. Am I not here who am your Mother? Are you not under my shadow and protection? Am I not your fountain of life? Are you not in the folds of my mantle? In the crossing of my arms? What else do you need? Do not fear any illness or vexation, anxiety or pain. Am I not your health?”*

And after saying this, Our Lady left her miraculous image on St. Juan’s tilma. Even in the grue-

some society of human sacrifice in which they were living, what joy he, Bishop Zumarraga and the others experienced on that December day upon witnessing the great miracle from heaven.

In the era of the Aztec culture of death, the Gospel of Jesus Christ penetrated hearts through the image of a Queen, Our Lady of Guadalupe. And the miracle of her image brought about an end to human sacrifice, the conversions of millions and countless other miracles.



Rosary procession with the  
Missionary Image  
and Dan Lynch.

Three hundred seventeen years earlier, on another December day in 1214, St. Dominic had also experienced a great miracle from the Queen of Heaven and Earth. Our Lady appeared to him as he prayed for three days and nights for wisdom about the difficulties in converting the Albigensian heretics. The beautiful Lady said,

*“Dear Dominic, do you know which weapon the Blessed Trinity wants to use to reform the world?” “Oh, my Lady,” answered St. Dominic, “you know far better than I do, because next to your Son Jesus Christ you have always been the chief instrument of our salvation.” Then Our Lady*

*“May Our Lady of Guadalupe cross this continent bringing it life, sweetness and hope!”* Pope John Paul II

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*replied, "I want you to know that, in this kind of warfare, the principal weapon has always been the Angelic Psalter, which is the foundation-stone of the New Testament. Therefore, if you want to reach these hardened souls and win them over to God, preach my Psalter."*

The angelic Psalter was the foundation of the Rosary. It consisted of 15 Hail Mary prayers that the laity prayed as the clergy prayed the 150 psalms of the biblical psalters.

In both critical times, Our Lady won over the people to Christ through the prayer of the Rosary. In our own era, Our Lady continues to lead mankind to a deeper devotion and love for Christ and His Gospel through the prayer of the Holy Rosary.

Today we realize the signs of the times and question how long the Lord's arm of justice will be stayed. Let us remember that Our Lady of Guadalupe is our Mother of Hope. She leads us in hope as we entrust ourselves with all of our hearts to God's great and generous promises of eternal life and happiness with Him. She is the Mother of Jesus Christ who is our hope as the conqueror of sin and death. As a people of hope, we are not afraid, but look forward to the victory of good over evil; peace over war; truth over lies; love over hate and life over death. We look forward to eternal salvation and an existence full of happiness in God.

It is our duty to Our Lady to respond to her pleas for prayer, penance and reparation. Now more than ever we are being called to remain faithful to the prayer of the Holy Rosary. As she told St. Juan Diego, she is ***"Mother of all those who have confidence in me."*** As Mother, she will not allow her children to be lost. Today resolve to respond to her invitation to pray the daily Rosary. Our response to this plea can impact the culture of death in which we find ourselves until the glorious day that a true culture of life and peace prevails.

## **Missionary Image of Our Lady of Guadalupe Miracle**

From a participant of a Visitation of the Missionary Image of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Ak-

ron, Ohio, we heard the following story:

. . . The next morning I was to meet John at a prayer vigil at an abortion clinic with the Missionary Image. Before we started to pray the Rosary, John asked if the Lord would bless us and give us a sign that our work there was bearing fruit. One of the people with us was approaching women going into the clinic and five minutes after we started the Rosary, she came back and said that one of the girls was going in to get her money back. Praise God! As we were praying the Rosary, I happened to look up into the clear sky and noticed that clouds seemed to be circling around the sun. It was like the clouds were coming from the sun. As I kept glancing back up, from time to time, the clouds kept spreading, and then it happened. The miracle of the sun. A rainbow encircled the sun! What a blessing! I heard after we left, another woman decided not to go in. So, at least two lives were saved that day.

Here in our day Our Lady of Guadalupe is still saving lives and bringing about conversions through her Missionary Image!

## **Visitations of the Missionary Image of Our Lady of Guadalupe**

The Missionary Image was sent as a ray of love from the Basilica Shrine as a gift from all Mexican Catholics to the United States in 1991. The Image is an exact 4' x 6' digital replica of the original tilma for the purpose of going on the missionary Journey.

Archbishop (later Cardinal) Juan Jesus Posadas Ocampo composed a prayer of petition on behalf of all the Mexican Bishops. He ended the prayer with the plea, *"Lady, help us support your mission with our prayers in order that your Missionary Image will be well-received in all the Americas."*

The Image has visited each of the United States

in over one thousand parishes and has received the veneration of hundreds of thousands. Hundreds of Masses, Confessions, hours of adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Rosaries have taken place in the presence of the Image. Many conversions, healings, reconciliations and graces are reported and many abortions have been prevented. At least twenty-five abortion centers have closed through Our Lady's intercession by her Missionary Image.

Please help us continue these profound Visitations so that Our Lady will penetrate hearts, intercede and bring miracles, conversions and a Culture of Life to our nation today. To learn more about being a Guardian of the Missionary Image of Our Lady of Guadalupe, call Johane at our office at 888-834-6261. It is easier than you think and the joy you will experience is immeasurable.

## Rosary Crusade for Peace

After the 9/11 attack on America, Pope John Paul II said, "I appeal to all – individuals, families and communities – to pray the Rosary for peace, if possible daily, so that the world will be preserved from the dreadful scourge of terrorism." **Please join our Rosary Crusade for Peace and sign the enclosed Pledge to pray the Rosary for Peace.** Please copy the Pledge and distribute it for multiple signatures. Return the Pledge to us for submission to the Holy Father.

## Spread Devotion to the Rosary

You can spread devotion to the Rosary by ordering my ***Prayers for Life Rosary Package***. This contains a wooden Rosary of Our Lady of Guadalupe and a *Prayers for Life* booklet that contains prayers, psalms, images, hymns and my meditations on all of the twenty mysteries of the Rosary. We also offer my ***Scriptural Rosary*** audio set. Visit our website at [www.JKMI.com](http://www.JKMI.com) or call our Center for Life toll free at 888-834-6261 and order these for your family, friends, prayer groups and parishes. You too can be an apostle of the Rosary like Blessed Bartolo Longo. Read my article about him, *Pilgrimage with Pope to Pompeii for Peace*, at our website.

## Am I not your Hope?

When we receive letters and phone calls from Guardians telling us how veneration of the Image and the hours of prayer of the Rosary before the Image have resulted in conversions, life and healings, we realize how important the work of our Apostolate is in our nation and Church today. Our Lady restores hope to a hopeless heart and leads those who have gone astray home to the heart of Her Son. **Your help has made this possible!** You are an integral member of our Apostolate!

When Our Lady of Guadalupe appeared to St. Juan Diego in 1531, she sent him on a great mission. At the same time, all she asked of him was, *"Do the best that you can!"* That is what she asks each one of us.

Will you do your best to help us do our best for Our Lady of Guadalupe? Our income this summer was less than expected. We still need \$100,176 to cover our last quarter's operating expenses! We really need your help today. Please help us. Every gift, no matter the size, is important. We know for certain that Our Mother of Hope will bless your sacrifice and God will bless you, too!

Please do the best you can and remember that our supporters are remembered in our daily Perpetual Novena and Rosaries to Our Lady of Guadalupe, our weekly Holy Hour before the Blessed Sacrament and our special monthly Masses. Send us your petitions and we will place them before Our Lady of Guadalupe and pray for you!

Sincerely in Christ,



Dan Lynch

PS: Remember to send in your **Pledge for our Rosary Crusade for Peace** so we can send it to the Holy Father. And thank you in advance for your generous gift to help us continue our work for Our Lady of Guadalupe!

*"So please do not scorn this beautiful and heavenly tree, but plant it with your own hands in the garden of your soul, making the resolution to say your Rosary every day."*

– St. Louis De Montfort

