Our Lady of Guadalupe

TEPEYAC HILL NEAR MEXICO CITY, 1531

The Blessed Virgin Mary appeared over the course of four days to Saint Juan Diego in December 1531. She asked him to tell the bishop to build a church on Tepeyac Hill. To convince the bishop, she had roses miraculously grow on the hill (in winter!) and hid them in Juan Diego's cloak, or 'tilma'. When Juan Diego unfolded his tilma to reveal the flowers, he and the bishop were amazed to find that Our Lady had left a miraculous image of herself on the rough cloth! The image remains visible today, nearly 500 years later, where it can be seen in a grand basilica built at her request.

Feast Day : December 12

PRAYER

Our Lady of Guadalupe, Mother of the Americas, pray for our families that we will always practice kindness and patience. Grant that our homes, churches, and schools will be peaceful places where we can grow, learn, and come to know your beloved Son! Amen.

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"Do not fear any illness or vexation, anxiety or pain.

Am I not here who am your Mother? Are you not under my protection?"