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THE MIRACLES OF  
**OUR LADY OF  
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# Introduction

**"I am your Mother, full of mercy and love for you and all those who love me."**

**- Our Lady to St. Juan Diego**

Our Lady of Guadalupe appeared to St. Juan Diego in 1531 at Tepeyac Hill in Mexico. During that same time period, the Protestant Reformation was underway in Europe. Thousands of people were leaving the Catholic Church. However, the opposite was happening in Mexico.

The Blessed Mother told Juan Diego that she wanted a church to be built on the hill in her honor, so Juan Diego approached the bishop asking for the church to be built. The bishop then requested a sign.

However, on December 11, Juan Diego's uncle became seriously ill, and he did not meet the Blessed Virgin. When his uncle appeared to be dying in the early morning of December 12, St. Juan left to find a priest. Since he believed that he could avoid seeing Mary, he took another route. However, she appeared to him anyway.

Juan Diego explained that his uncle was ill, and Mary then asked him, "Am I not here, I who am your mother?" She then told him that his uncle had, in fact, recovered.

At that point, Our Lady arranged roses in Juan Diego's tilma. Then he went to the bishop again, and his tilma revealed the miraculous image of Our Lady of Guadalupe as the roses fell to the ground.

Within a decade, millions of Mexicans converted to Catholicism. The apparition site of Our Lady of Guadalupe has become the most visited Catholic pilgrimage destination in the world.

Our Lady of Guadalupe still changes hearts, still brings people closer to her and to her Beloved Son. In these pages, you will see some of the miracles that people have found over the centuries regarding Our Lady and St. Juan Diego's Tilma.

## *"Miracles" of the Tilma*



**W**hen St. Juan Diego needed a miracle to prove the authenticity of the apparition, Our Lady arranged roses in his tilma. The flowers were dark pink Castilian roses, which are not native to Mexico. Also, roses do not grow in central Mexico in December.



**S**t. Juan Diego's tilma has survived for 500 years, despite being made of cactus fiber, which typically disintegrates in 20-40 years. During much of that time, it was exposed uncovered to the heat, humidity, and sunlight of the church where it was displayed. Many people touched the tilma and placed their rosaries and other sacramentals on it.

Also, after being studied extensively, no method of art or technology has been identified that could have produced the image.



**I**t was recently discovered that the tilma includes hidden music within the images.

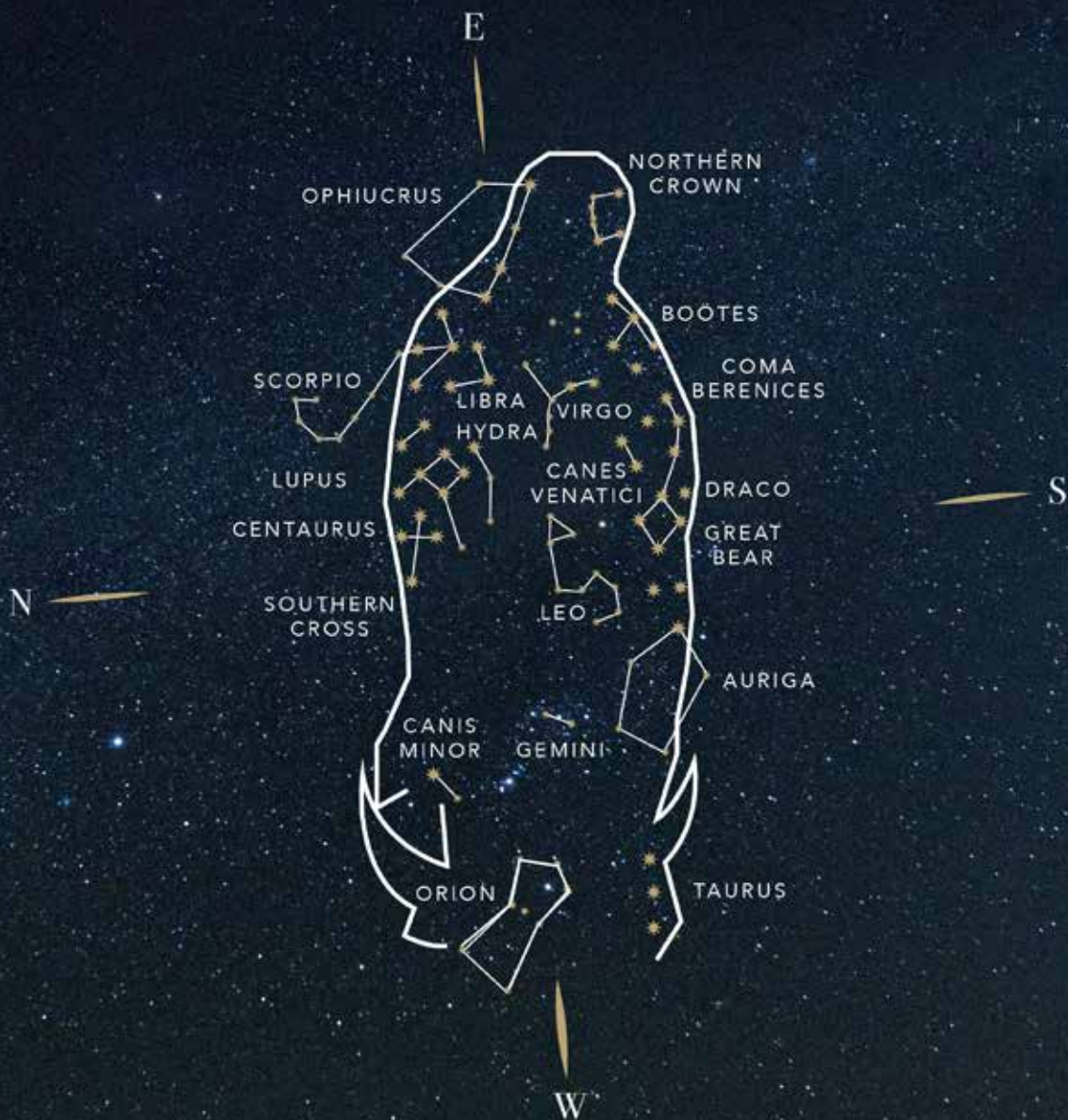
Don Fernando Ojeda Llanes, a professor at the Higher Institute for Guadalupano Studies, discovered this fact. Since the tilma displays the “Golden Ratio” with the images found on it, he thought that – with the perfect symmetry – the tilma would have musical notes hidden in plain sight.

When he lined up the page, creating a music sheet, and placed notes over the images on the tilma, he discovered a beautiful song that many musicians have now played.

When people try to find music hidden within copies of Our Lady of Guadalupe, the resulting notes are discordant.

Here is a [video](#) with the music found in the tilma.





The position of the stars on Our Lady's mantle conform to the constellations as they were on December 12, 1531. In fact, it has been discovered that the constellations were precisely in this position over Mexico at 6:45 a.m. - the exact time it is believed that Saint Juan Diego revealed the tilma to the bishop.



**N**itric acid was spilled on the tilma in 1791, and it repaired miraculously with no external aid. Also, the tilma survived a bomb attack in 1921, which damaged the altar and bent a brass crucifix upon it. The tilma was completely unscathed.





**R**ecent investigations have shown that when the Tilma is enlarged 2,500 times, the Virgin Mary's eye has the reflection of all of the people who were present when the Tilma was revealed to the bishop. Both eyes show identical images, which is impossible for a human to draw or paint on such a small scale.





A PRAYER TO  
*Our Lady  
of Guadalupe*

Our Lady of Guadalupe,  
Mystical Rose,  
make intercession for holy Church,  
protect the sovereign Pontiff,  
help all those who invoke you in their necessities,  
and since you are the ever Virgin Mary  
and Mother of the true God,  
obtain for us from your most holy Son  
the grace of keeping our faith,  
of sweet hope in the midst of the bitterness of life  
of burning charity, and the precious gift  
of final perseverance.  
Amen.

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