

**Little Flowers—April 7, 2006**  
**Lenten Service Project: Praying for Life**  
**Our Lady of Guadalupe, Patroness of the Unborn, Pray for Us!**

Open with Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory Be

Today we are going to be doing a service project—praying for unborn babies! All life is precious and unfortunately not all people in our country understand this! A baby is a gift from God and a miracle! We are going to pray today for mothers, babies, and the entire world that the truth be fully understood—babies are to be protected, not harmed!!

What can we do to help save babies from being harmed? We can help the White Rose Women's Center in Dallas helps moms choose life for their babies! Today we are gathering gifts to give to the White Rose to help moms and babies in crisis pregnancies. We should always pray for an end to abortion. Mothers in crisis pregnancies must have the help they need to choose life for their little one by caring for them after they are born themselves, or by giving them up for adoption—to a loving family that perhaps cannot have a baby of their own.

Give out Cross/Prayer Sheet, then  
Do baby milestone sheet; discuss.  
Handout precious feet/stickers.

Mary, in her appearance as Our Lady of Guadalupe, is the patroness of the Unborn!

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--Craft

--Read story.

--Iconography of OLOG

--She is patroness of the unborn because her appearance stopped many of the human and infant sacrifices the pagan Indians were making to their false gods.

1. --when she appeared to St. Juan Diego, she was pregnant with Jesus. She holds the unborn Christ within her sacred womb, proclaiming the sanctity and blessedness of life within the womb! (Show picture). Fastened at waist—high up—she is pregnant. Read from p.135—Handbook on Guadalupe.
2. the tilma should have disintegrated 30 years after it was made but it is still in pristine condition with all the colors bright as the day they appeared.
3. Aureole a symbol of supreme power.
4. Crescent moon is a symbol of her perpetual virginity
5. Stars—she is the Queen of Heaven

With the help and intercession of OLOG, we cannot falter in the fight against abortion and FOR LIFE from conception to natural death, for the elderly are not valued in our society as they once were, either.

OLOG, pray for us!