

A photograph of Pope Francis in profile, wearing his white papal attire and zucchetto, with his hands clasped in prayer. He is seated in a dark wooden chair. The background is dark and out of focus, showing a crowd of people and a lit torch held by someone in the distance.

O Mary,

you always shine on our path
as a sign of salvation and of hope.
We entrust ourselves to you,
Health of the Sick,
who at the cross
took part in Jesus' pain,
keeping your faith firm.
You, Salvation of the Roman People,
know what we need,
and we are sure you will provide
so that, as in Cana of Galilee,
we may return to joy
and to feasting
after this time of trial.

Help us, Mother of Divine Love,
to conform to the will of the Father
and to do as we are told by Jesus,
who has taken upon himself
our sufferings
and carried our sorrows
to lead us, through the cross,
to the joy of the resurrection.
Amen.

Under your protection,
we seek refuge,
Holy Mother of God.
In our needs despise not our
petitions but deliver us
from all our dangers,
O glorious and blessed Virgin.

Holy Virgin of Guadalupe,

Queen of the Angels and Mother of the Americas.
We fly to you today as your beloved children.
We ask you to intercede for us with your Son,
as you did at the wedding in Cana.
Pray for us, loving Mother,
and gain for our nation and world,
and for all our families and loved ones,
the protection of your holy angels,
that we may be spared
the worst of this illness.
For those already afflicted,
we ask you to obtain the grace
of healing and deliverance.
Hear the cries of those
who are vulnerable and fearful,
wipe away their tears
and help them to trust.
In this time of trial and testing,
teach all of us in the Church to
love one another
and to be patient and kind.
Help us to bring the peace of Jesus
to our land and to our hearts.
We come to you with confidence,
knowing that you truly are
our compassionate mother,
health of the sick and cause of our joy.
Shelter us under the mantle of your protection,
keep us in the embrace of your arms,
help us always to know the love of your Son, Jesus. Amen.

– Archbishop José Gomez
president of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops

