

A PRAYER FOR PROTECTION IN TIME OF PANDEMIC

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.

Prayer by Archbishop José H. Gomez of Los Angeles, president of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops.

