

MEMORIAL TO THE UNBORN

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State/Zip: _____

Telephone: _____

E-mail: _____

Please indicate the desired type of remembrance:

_____ Unborn baby's remains entombed behind black granite, with name inscribed (\$500 suggested donation)

_____ Unborn baby's name inscribed in white limestone (\$250 suggested donation)

You can also make a donation which will be used to assist those who cannot afford the suggested donation:

_____ Please use my donation to assist families in paying for the entombment or remembrance of their unborn children in the amount of \$_____

Once this form and your donation have been received, you will be contacted by a representative from the Shrine. Granite engravings and entombments will occur shortly thereafter. However, due to weather-related limitations, engravings in the limestone can only be done once per year with all names being submitted to the engraver on May 1st.

**Please mail this form with your donation to:
Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe
Memorial to the Unborn
P.O. Box 1237
La Crosse, WI 54602-1237**

Statue: The bronze statue on the cover, entitled "Mother of the Unborn," is the central work of art in the Memorial to the Unborn. It shows Our Lady of Guadalupe cradling three unborn children in the crossing of her arms. The babies are of different nationalities to indicate that, in the eyes of God, all of His children have inherent dignity and are worthy of respect and love.

The statue is the work of artist Antonio Castellanos-Basich of Mexico. Weighing nearly 3,000 pounds, the statue sits atop a pedestal of Wisconsin limestone surrounded by a fountain.

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Photos: Bob Metcalf Photography; River Architects, Inc.

Quote by Cardinal Burke: Taken from his homily, given on the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe in 2008, Dedication of the Memorial to the Unborn.

Images of the statue are available at the
Flores Mariae Gift Shop
877-799-4059 or online at
www.guadalupe Shrine.org/onlinestore

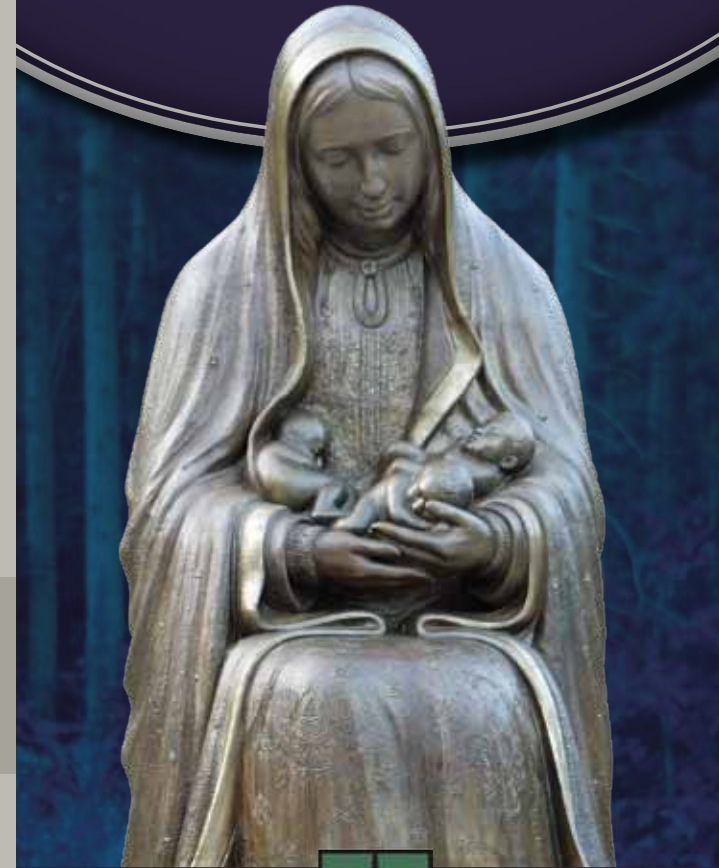


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“The Memorial to the Unborn eloquently expresses the message of Our Lady of Guadalupe: God’s all merciful love toward all of His children from the moment of their conception.”

— Raymond Leo Cardinal Burke

At the Memorial to the Unborn, parents and loved ones are invited to remember their children who have died before birth. Engraved on the black granite are the names of unborn babies whose remains are laid to rest there*, while other unborn babies are remembered by name only through inscriptions on the white limestone. “Unborn” refers to all children who have died prior to birth, including those who have died through miscarriage, accident or abortion.

In the Memorial arcade, four bronze plaques display the teachings of the Catholic Church regarding contraception, abortion, embryonic stem cell research, and the dignity of human life. These teachings on the culture of life, taken from the writings of Saint John Paul II, present these truths for all pilgrims and visitors to read and to ponder. The plaques encourage pilgrims to pray for a greater respect for human life.

* Due to Wisconsin State Law, we cannot entomb the remains of a child past 20 weeks gestation.



MARIGOLD: MARY'S GOLD

LILY: MARY'S VIRGINITY

PETUNIA: OUR LADY'S PRAISES

PANSY: OUR LADY'S DELIGHT

MARY’S GARDEN welcomes pilgrims to the classically-designed Memorial. The flowers in these planters are those named after Our Lady. Rich in color yet specially chosen to enhance the prayerful silence of the Memorial, the flowers, along with the pools of water around the statue, contribute to creating an atmosphere of reverence and prayer for the children whose remains are entombed and for the children who are remembered.

You do not need to remember a specific baby in order to be part of this spiritual memorial. Your donation to the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe will assist the Shrine in fulfilling its pro-life mission as well as providing for the ongoing maintenance of the Memorial, including the upkeep of Mary’s Garden.

The Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe is a place of pilgrimage and a privileged place for catechesis, especially the Gospel of Life.

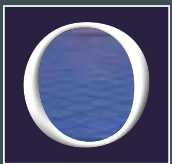
The Shrine is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization and all donations are tax deductible. We appreciate your remembrance now and in your estate planning.

PRAYER TO THE MOTHER OF THE UNBORN



SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

La Crosse, Wisconsin



ur Lady of Guadalupe,
Mother of America and
Protectress of the Unborn,
gather the children remembered

at the Memorial to the Unborn into the crossing
of your most loving and maternal arms.

You, who appeared with Child to Saint Juan Diego
in 1531, treasure, as their loving Mother, these
unborn children and intercede for them with
your all-merciful Son, our Lord Jesus Christ.

As you did then, we ask that you intercede for
an end to the killing of innocent children through
contraception, abortion and embryonic stem-cell
research, and for the establishment of the culture
of respect and love for life in all nations.

For those children who die before birth,
may you bring to them the loving thoughts
and warm embrace of their natural parents
and, in turn, bring peace to their parents
and console them in their loss. Amen.

*Our Lady of Guadalupe,
Mother of America, Pray for us.*

*Our Lady of Guadalupe,
Protectress of the Unborn, Pray for us.*