

# The Vine

December 2018

A Newsletter for St. Bruno's Young Adult Fellowship

## This

**Wed. 12/12** – “Our Lady of Guadalupe”, talk with Deacon Gabe. What can our Blessed Mother mean to you?

**Sun. 12/16** – Celebration of Our Lady of Guadalupe @ 12 Noon Mass, refreshments to follow



## Next

**Wed. 1/23** - Evening of Reflection on the Opening Chapter of the Gospel of Luke

**Wed. 1/30** - Bowling – Hosted by Kathleen. \$12 per. 7:00 PM  
La Habra Bowl 300  
370 E. Whittier Blvd, La Habra

## Find

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## The Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe with Deacon Gabe

written by Tania Lopez

December 12, 2018 - YAF hosted a special talk by Deacon Gabe Saavedra in celebration of the Feast Day of Our Lady of Guadalupe. We gathered in the Parish Center for this event and we were met with a large turnout of attendees. We were thrilled! Deacon Gabe presented an incredibly informative and captivating talk on the mysteries of the beloved Image of Our Lady of Guadalupe. What made Deacon Gabe's presentation so unique was how he brought to light the rich history surrounding the Image of Our Lady – She has great significance in both the Aztec and Spanish cultures!

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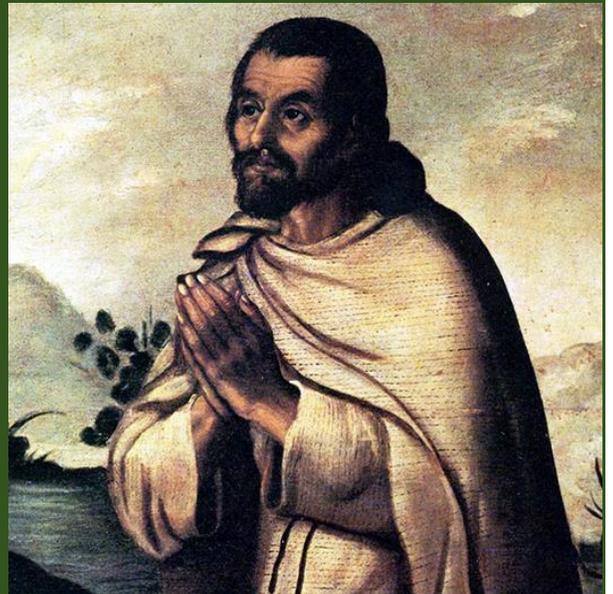
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Deacon Gabe fascinated the crowd with evidence that continues to baffle the greatest scientific minds of our time. Among the scientific methods of verifying the validity of the image is archaeoastronomy, which is the process of recreating the ancient sky. Deacon Gabe explained that the stars present on the tilma (the traditional agave cloth in which the image is preserved in) are accurate to the 1531 Mexican sky – they would have aligned perfectly with the constellation in the image! After his presentation, Deacon Gabe opened up the floor to questions that the attendees had. We ended the night with a true staple of Mexican culture, champurrado (Mexican hot chocolate) and pan dulce (sweet bread), as we socialized and celebrated the divine Image and Feast Day of the Patroness of the Americas, Our Lady of Guadalupe.

# Who

## Saint of the Month: Juan Diego, Dec. 9

As we celebrate the feast day of Our Lady of Guadalupe, we remember the faithful servant to whom Our Lady appeared: Saint Juan Diego. He was a native to Mexico, born in 1474, and remained a dedicated Christian following his conversion to Catholicism in 1524. Juan Diego encountered the Blessed Mother three times before carrying out her mission of building a church on Tepeyac hill. His story may be famous all over the world, but the greatest aspect of Juan Diego's legacy is true humility. Saint Juan Diego, patron of Indigenous Peoples, pray for us.



And from His  
fullness, we have