



Saints of the Americas



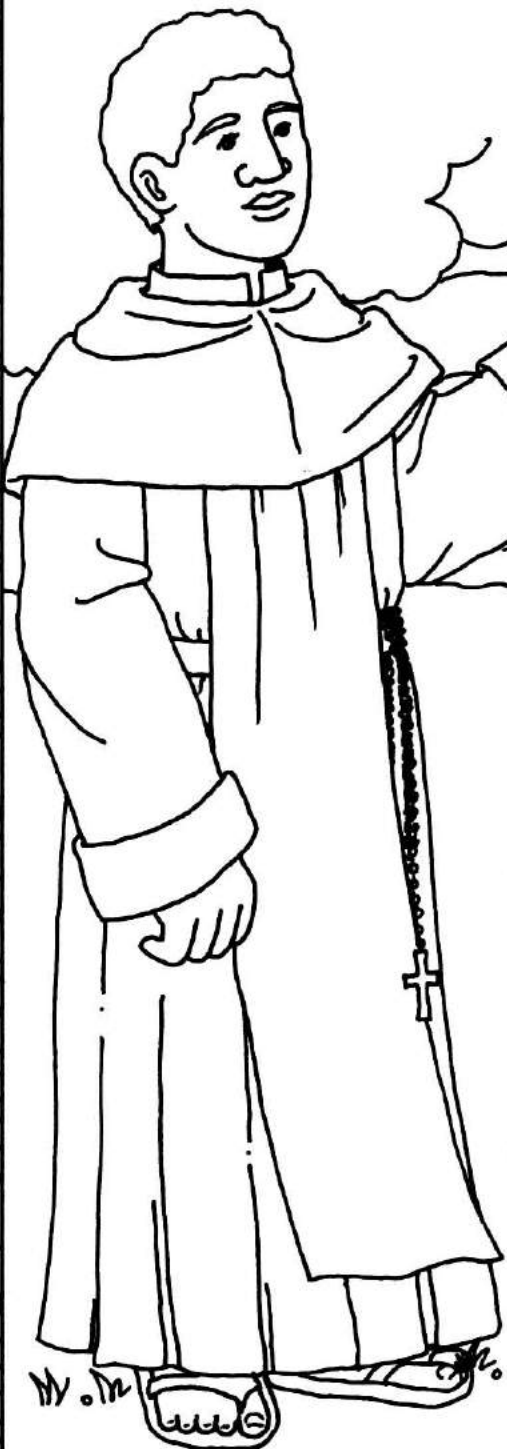
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Our Lady of Guadalupe and St. Juan Diego



Juan Diego was a Christian Indian in Mexico. Mary came to him with a message of comfort for the poor. As a sign that it was really her message, Mary told Juan Diego to gather some roses into his tunic and bring them to the Bishop. When Juan Diego unfolded the tunic, Mary's picture was on it! Juan Diego's tunic still bears the beautiful image of Mary, Our Lady of Guadalupe.

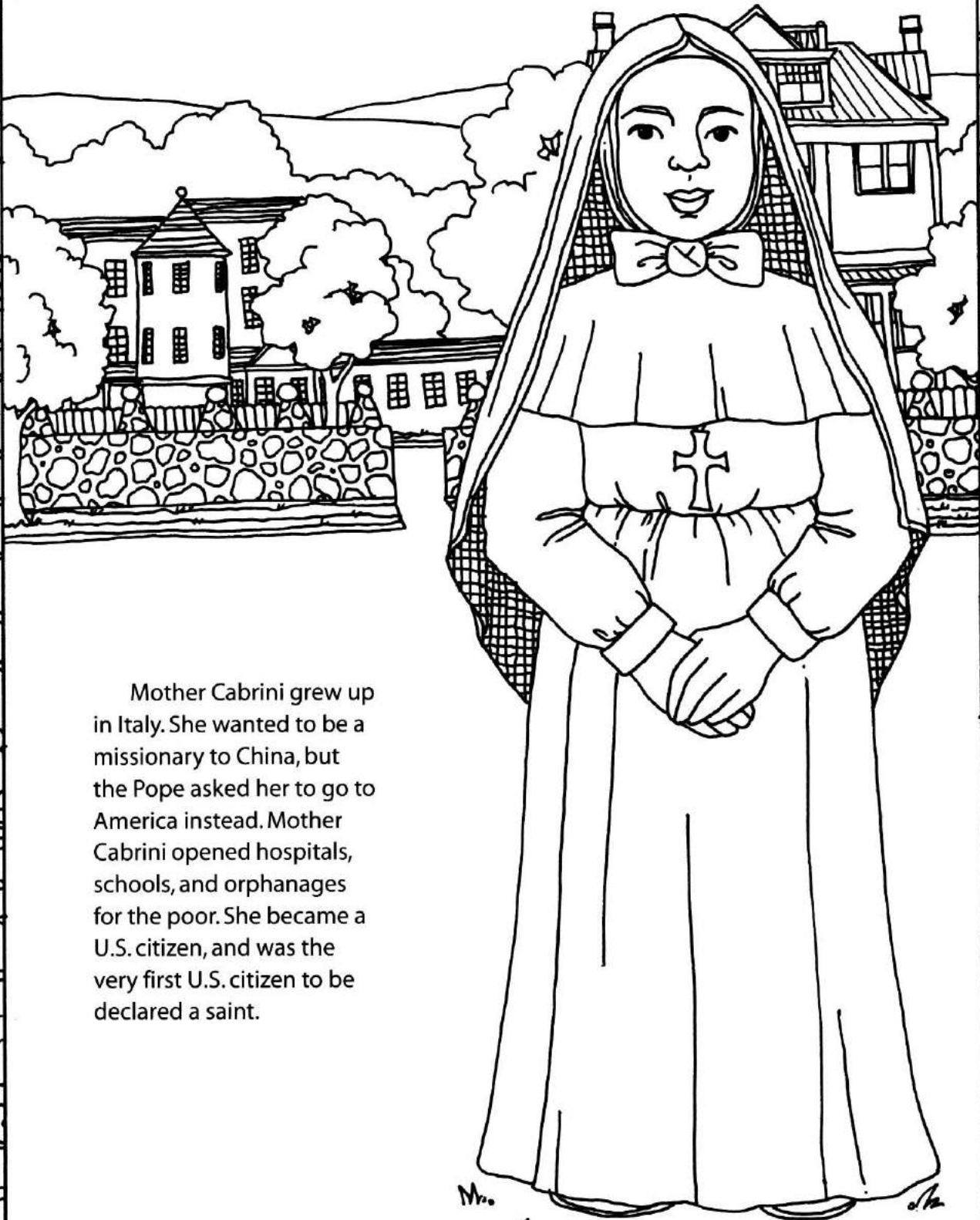
St. Martin de Porres



Martin lived in Lima, Peru. Some people made fun of him because his father was Spanish and his mother was African American. But Martin knew that God loved him for who he was. He gave his life to God as a Brother. Martin is known for his gentleness as a healer, for his hard work, and for his love of animals.



St. Frances Cabrini



Mother Cabrini grew up in Italy. She wanted to be a missionary to China, but the Pope asked her to go to America instead. Mother Cabrini opened hospitals, schools, and orphanages for the poor. She became a U.S. citizen, and was the very first U.S. citizen to be declared a saint.

Bl. Narcisa Moran

Narcisa lived in Ecuador. When her parents died, Narcisa took care of her brothers and sisters. She did not marry, but gave her life to Jesus in a gentle, quiet life of prayer and work.

