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Hillside, Illinois -- Joseph Reinholtz, after making a pilgrimage to Medjugorje, Yugoslavia, was divinely directed to Queen of Heaven Cemetery, where he was healed from blindness before a cross that some say bleeds, changes color and turns rosaries into gold.

--from a news story

They are discovered on tortillas, on cankered walls in distant villages, in bowling alleys and on strands of pasta printed on Pizza Hut billboards -- these messages of fasting, faith and peace, gifts from God to his people, the Roman Catholic Archdiocese.

But this is the place of miracles now: Hillside, Illinois, at the Queen of Heaven Cemetery, where people drop by before tennis and brunch at the Oakbrook Mall to watch their rosaries turn to 14k gold with a Midas prayer before a bleeding, chameleonic cross far from the villages where sins are forgiven just for devotion, and a diet of cures and conversions is served for the faithful each day before a weeping Virgin icon.

Ask Joseph Reinholtz. He saw it with his own eyes.