Diocese of Las Cruces
NEW MEXICO, MESILLA PARK (TORTUGAS)

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Access: Some restrictions apply

History: Our Lady of Guadalupe Church is a Tortugas parish that has included a number of parishioners of Tiwa Indian descent.

1910 Los Inditos de Las Cruces (Tortugas) built a chapel
1914 Los Indígenes de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe (Tortugas) succeeded Los Inditos and deeded the chapel and grounds to the Tucson Diocese, the predecessor of the Las Cruces Diocese
1921-1981 Diocesan priests established and administered Our Lady of Guadalupe Church and Shrine (Tortugas)
1982-present Conventuals (Our Lady of Guadalupe Custody, Mesilla Park, New Mexico) have administered Our Lady of Guadalupe

History of the Conventual Franciscans, Custody of Our Lady of Guadalupe

In 1982, the Conventuals established the Our Lady of Guadalupe Custody, which has administered the following Indian parishes and school in New Mexico and Texas:

1982-present Our Lady of Guadalupe Church and Shrine (Tortugas), Mesilla Park, New Mexico
1992-present Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church and School (Tiwa), Ysleta del Sur Reservation, El Paso, Texas
Holdings of Catholic-related records about Native Americans:

Inclusive dates: 1940s-present

Volume: Several volumes

Description: Sacramental records for Our Lady of Guadalupe Church.