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THE BLACK MADONNAS

CONTINUED FROM PAGE 11 tured, the Black Virgin is everywhere the object of special devotions, and her altars are always bright with flowers, light-

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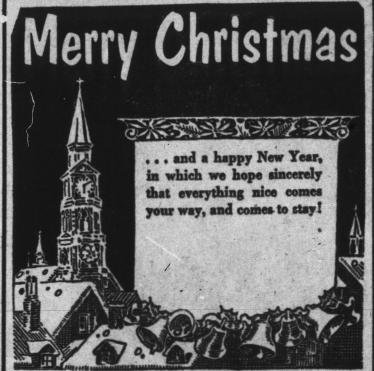
During this season of quiet joy and reverence We'd like to add our heartfelt wishes for continued good health and happiness.



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ed candles, efferings from grateful petitioners. Who is she—and

em to be 11th century works.
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a hotly debated question;
cemingly the most reasonable
pinion places their most immediate ancestry in central
rance, in the cult statues of
mother and child turned out in



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could eradicate it.

Controversy has waxed strong over the explanation of the black color of these statues. Many historians have tried to see in it a deliberate reference to the words of Solomon's "Cantiele of Canticles": "I am as dark—but lovely, O daughters of Jerusalem—as the tents of Cedar, as the curtains of Salma. Do not stare at me because I am swarthy, because the sun has burned me." (1:5-6).

Others believe that the black color is simply an accident: the color of the wood gradually derkened due to exposure to atmospheric condition. On the other hand, the use of black wood may have been the artist's choice, subconscious or otherwise, for the color black has always been

subconscious or otherwise, for the color black has always been associated with the Earth and her twin faces of life and death. It symbolises night, the mother of all creation; it stands for life and fecundity as well as for sadness, death and destruction.

The black goddesses of the East descend into the dark kingdom of death and bring forth those slumbering there into the light of day; or they come up once a year from their homes in subterranean realms, to signal the rebirth of life upon the earth after the death-like night of winter.

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Greetings



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