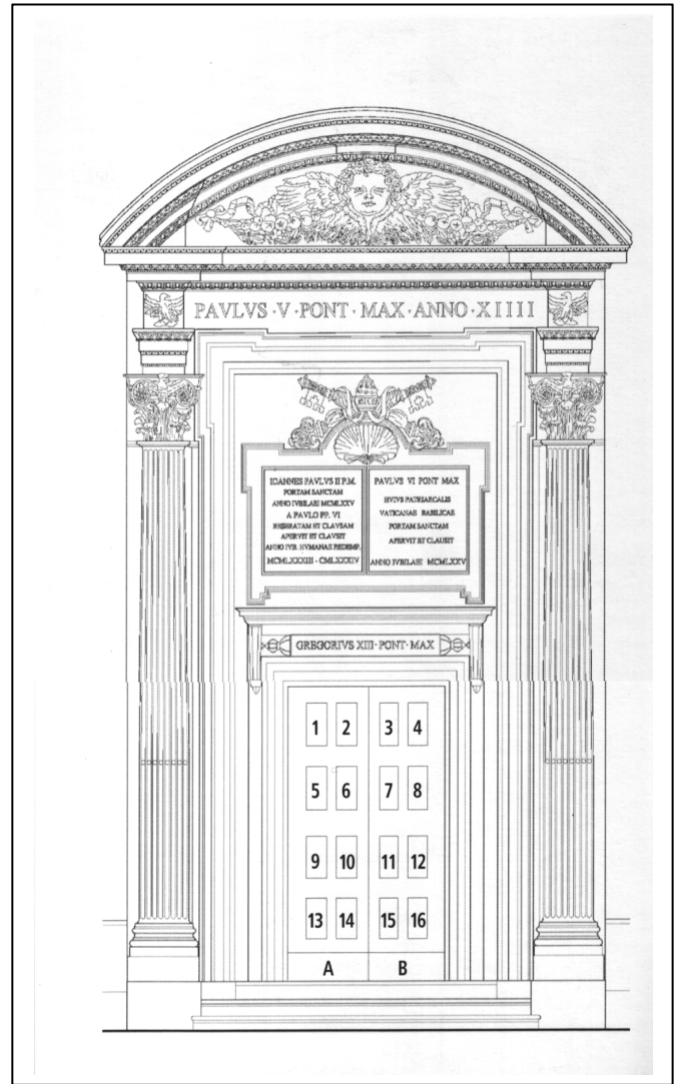
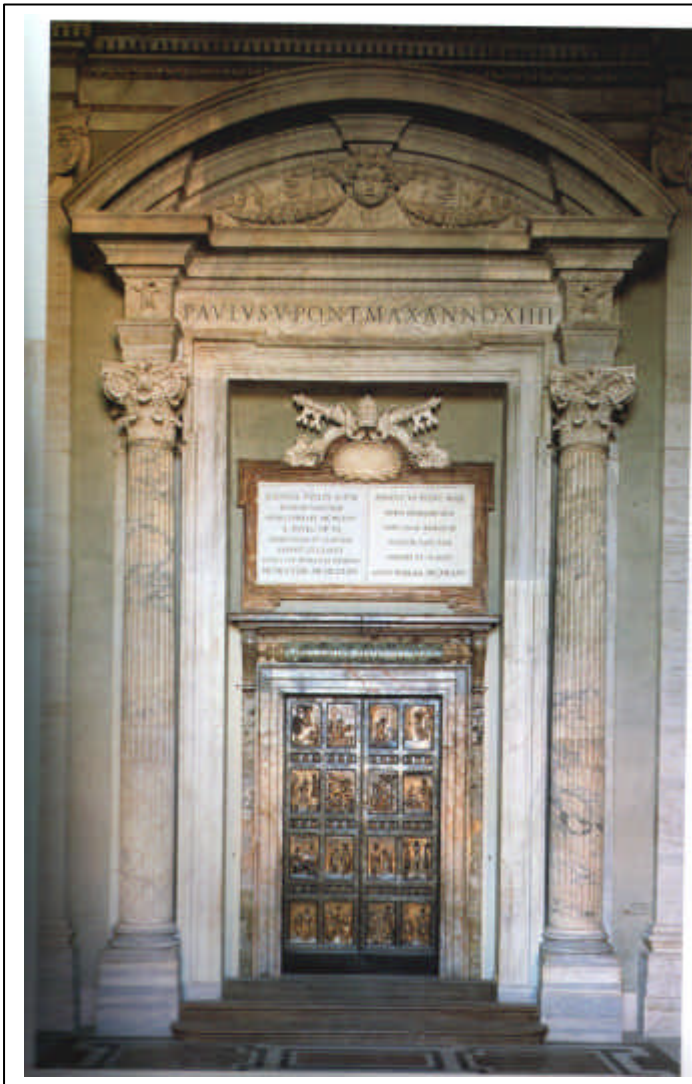


## THE HOLY DOOR

In concomitance with the restoration of the Atrium, the Knights of Columbus also sponsored the restoration of the Holy Door, created in 1949 by Ludovico Consorti, and the renowned 17<sup>th</sup>-century work of art by Giotto, the Navicella.

### Details of the 16 panels



**1. THE CHERUB AT THE GATES OF PARADISE**



The tree of knowledge with the tempter serpent. Above a cherub shows Adam and Eve the way out of Paradise  
[Genesis 3, 24]

**2. CAST OUT OF PARADISE**



Adam bent under the weight of the divine curse and Eve who hides her face in shame, leave through the gates of Paradise  
[Genesis 3, 23]

**3 - 4. THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**



In panel n°. 3 the Virgin Mary is depicted with the unmistakable symbol of the Holy Ghost;  
(Luke 1, 26 31)



in panel n°. 4 the salutation of the Angel with a rose in its right hand to offer to Mary  
(Luke 1, 26 31)



5. THE BAPTISM OF JESUS IN THE JORDAN



Jesus is baptized by John the Baptist, and the Holy Ghost, represented by a dove, descends upon him  
[Matthew 3, 13-15]

6. THE LOST SHEEP



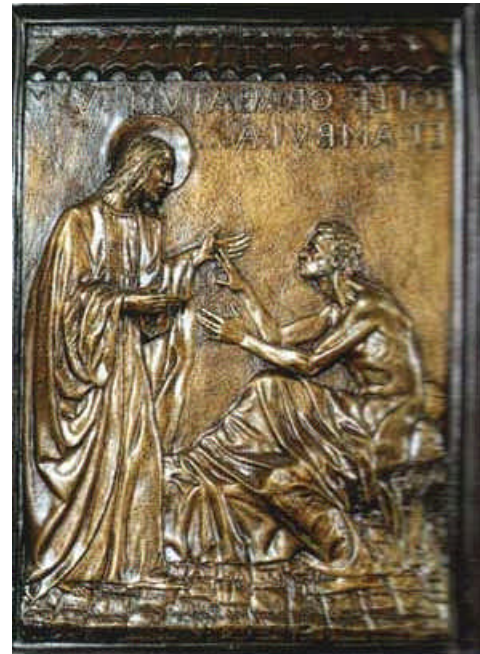
The shepherd Jesus finds the sheep of his flock that was lost on the precipice and stretches out his hand to save it  
[Luke 15, 4-7]

7. THE MERCIFUL FATHER



The Father welcomes his penitent son, returned to the home which he had left  
[Luke 15, 11-24]

8. HEALING OF THE PARALYTIC



Jesus in a house of Capharnaum forgives the sins of a paralytic and orders him to stand  
[Mark 2, 1-3, 5, 10-11]



### 9. THE FORGIVEN SINNER



Jesus at the table with Simon the Pharisee forgives a sinner who, repentant, dries the tears she shed on the feet of the Lord with her hair  
[Luke 7, 36-39; 48, 50]

### 10. THE DUTY OF FORGIVENESS



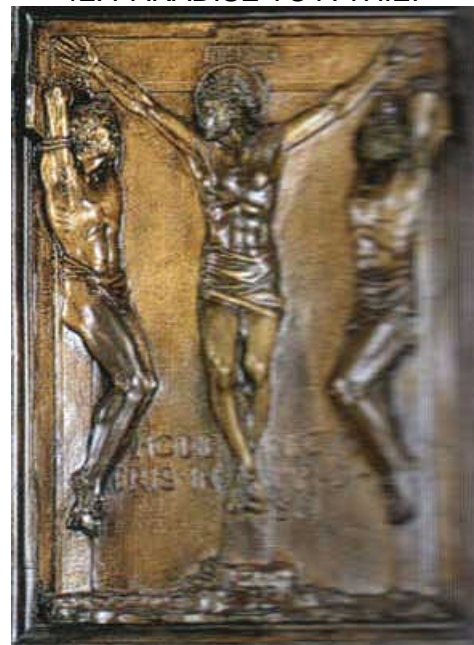
To Peter's question if it were sufficient to forgive until seven times he who had directed against him a personal offence, Jesus replied seventy times seven, meaning that forgiveness must have no bounds  
[Matthew 18. 21-22]

### 11. PETER'S DENIAL



Jesus with hands bound turns his glance towards Peter, repentant for having denied him before the cock crow  
[Luke 22, 61-62]

### 12. PARADISE TO A THIEF



Jesus on the cross between two criminals promises the repentant thief on his right the Kingdom of the Heaven  
[Luke 23, 33; 39; 40; 42-43]



13 THE APPARITION TO THOMAS



Jesus shows Thomas, the doubting apostle, his hands and the wounds on his side  
[John 20, 26-29]

14. THE APPARITION OF THE RESSURECTED IN THE CENACLE



Christ resurrected, surrounded by the apostles, grants his disciples the task of the mission and the gift of the Holy Ghost  
[John 20, 19, 20-23]

15. THE APPARITION OF THE RESURRECTED TO SAUL



The conversion of St. Paul: Saul terrified by the apparition of Christ the Resurrected on the road to Damascus  
[Acts 9, 1-7]

16. THE OPENING OF THE HOLY DOOR



Pius XII opens the Holy Door and the Catholic world enters the twenty-sixth Holy Year in history (1950)  
[Acts 3, 20-22]