June 2nd, 2017, Holy Cross History Association

Fr. Sorin, Book of Revelation Tabernacle, ND Basilica Design

Thesis: ND Basilica art work had a coordinated design based on Mary as Ark of New Covenant, in the New Jerusalem, with Lamb as main focus Ark=Church Our Lady's Sacred Heart, Lamb=Church Jesus' Sacred Heart





My First Presentation for

Holy Cross History Association

Main Question: Was the 1868 ND Basilica,
Designed by Fr. Edward Sorin and Luigi Gregori
based on Bibles Book of Revelation
...like The Cathoilc Mass liturgy is???

- 1. Did you know the ND Tabernacle is Topped By Bk Revelation Lamb?
- 2. Have you ever heard a Tabernacle called the New Ark of Covenant??
 - 3. Did you Know, The Catholic Catechism describes Mary as the New Ark in the New Jerusalem, holding the body of Jesus, the new Manna, replacing the old testament's Moses and Passover Tent??

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Opening Statement

#1

Fr Sorin was ordained a priest in 1838, in France, at a time churches in France were experiencing a renaissance in mass liturgy based on Bk of Revelation's Jesus, as Lamb of God,

But did you know the main Biblical Source of Catholic Marian Theology comes from Chapter 11 and 12 of Book of Revelation,

Which declares Mary as Queen of Heaven and Earth.

Today's presentation will attempt to explain how and why the basilica is decorated according to **Sorin's original liturgical vision**, a vision much like the Evangelist known as Saint John, **author of John's Gospel and Revelation.**



= Main Emphasis Item of Presentation

Opening Statement #2

In 12th and 13th century, many European churches were themed, like our Basilica at ND, around the bible's book of Revelation.

When Father Sorin designed his 1868 ND Basilica, named Our Lady of the Sacred Heart, he also themed his basilica design with a Revelation Lamb focus, and special focus on Chapter 12 of the Book of Revelation, which declares Mary as Queen of Heaven and Earth.

In the 20th century, The Book of Revelation was de-emphasized, and much of the artistic theme expressed in Sorin's ND basilica has been lost on Catholics who have never read the Book of Revelation.

Let us look on the circumstantial evidence for my thesis.



Today's Thesis:

1) Did Fr. Sorin Coordinate the Art Work of ND's

Basilica of Sacred Heart of Jesus

around the Bible's Book of Revelation?





Sorin originally intended Basilica name as Basilica of Sacred Heart of Jesus

Today's Thesis: #2

#2 Coordinate the Art Work of Basilica of Sacred Heart Our Lady



Was Main Emphasis?

a. Wedding Feast Lamb?

Book of Revelation?

b. Coronation of Mary?

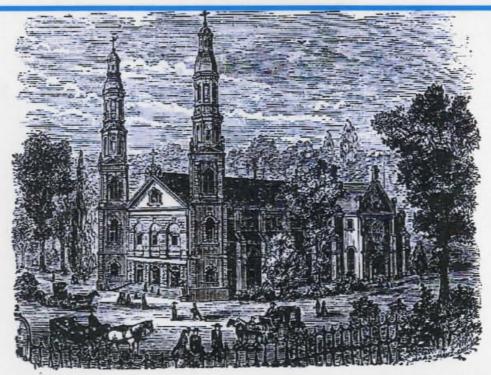




a. or b. or both?

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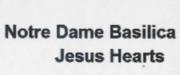


FOUNDATION OF A DAILY MASS

For the Erection of a New Church at Notre Dame, in honor of Our Lady of the Sacred Heart.

Approved by the Rt. Rev. Bishop of Fort Wayne for the erection of the above-named Church.







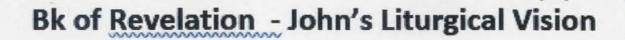


Notre Dame Basilica Mary Hearts



ND Basilica of Sacred Heart

Jesus and Mary



Liturgy of High Mass - Sorin's Vision 🖈



- a. White Robes, Tabernacle, Altar
- b. 144,000, Angels, Saints, Jesus/Moses
- c. Candles, Incense, Choir, Priest
- d. Chants, Sanctus, Readings
- e. Old Pascal Lamb as New Manna/Eucharist
- f. Alpha Omega (Genesis/Revelation)
- g. Old Temple Sacrifice/New Jerusalem Mass

Prof Scott Hahn's Vision -1999 Bk "Supper of Lamb"



Source of 1876 Basilca Tabernacle Purchase

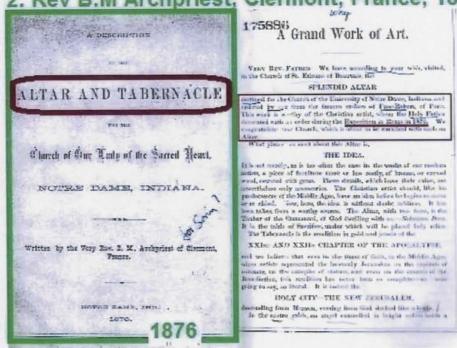
1. Fr Sorin's 1873 ND Scholastic Article | Vol VII No 10 Dec 1873

Father Sorin saw this Tabernacle Altar in France in 1873 and wrote how exceptional it was, how it was based on Book of Revelation, and how it belongs in New Basilica

In 1861 Tabernacle's needed to be permanent...so they could be big.

2. Source of 1876 Basilca Tabernacle Purchase

2. Rev B.M Archpriest, Clermont, France, 1876



French Priest
recommending
the Tabernacle Altar
be Commissioned for
ND, be built by
jeweler Robert Froc,
and be made similar
to the winning 1870
Pius IX exhibit

This article written b

Lamb was burnished silver

Not like a golden calf



Reference 3 found October 2017 This reference from in Rome archives for this international art exhibition in Vatican sponsored by Pope Pius IX

Abstract: Sorin saw this in 1873 in France, was created by Robert Froc, Paris Fabricator, won Rome prize by Pope Pius IX in 1870, based on 13th century design around the Book of Revelation

Some tour guides think Fr. Sorin designed Tabenacle.

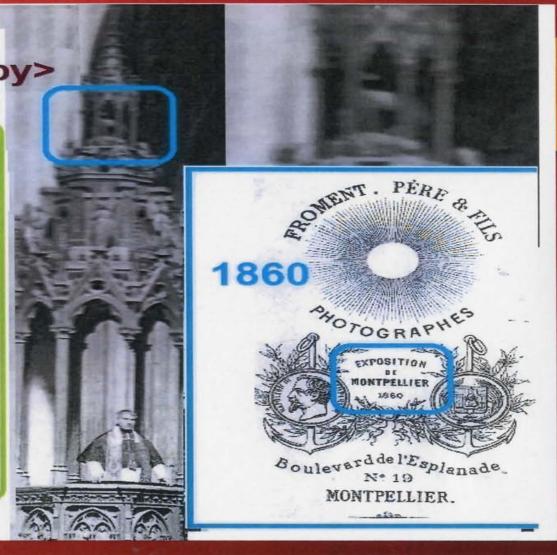
Some guides think French Jeweler, Froc, designed

Tabernacle however:

13th century design based on entire Book of Revelation

Design not Sorin's not Robert Froc with Canopy>

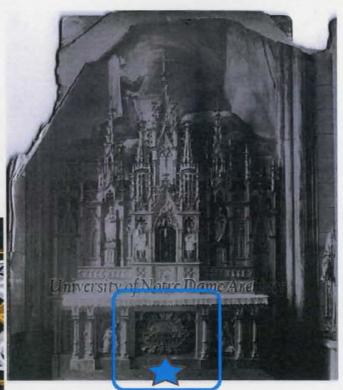
Fr Sorin had this picture in his photo book... a picture of a another, similar design, based on Book of Revelation, but not designed by Robert Froc, made of of all wood, located in another 19th century French Church



Fr Sorin's Love of Bk of Revelation Lamb





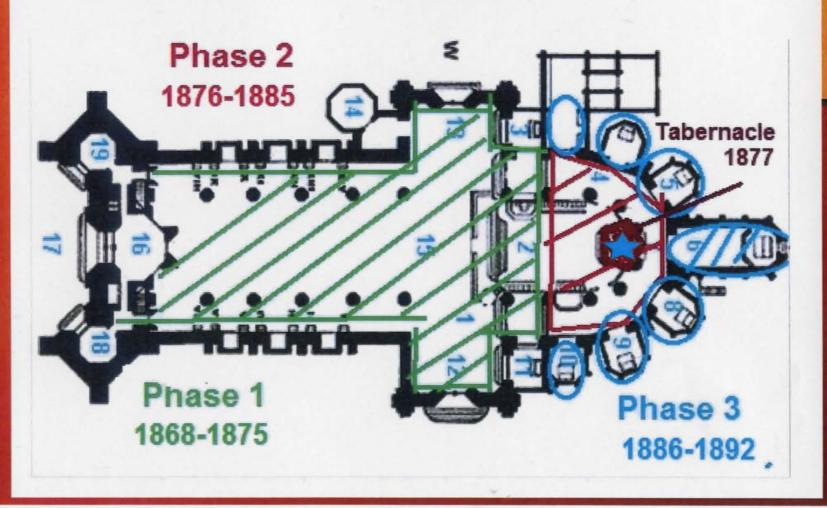




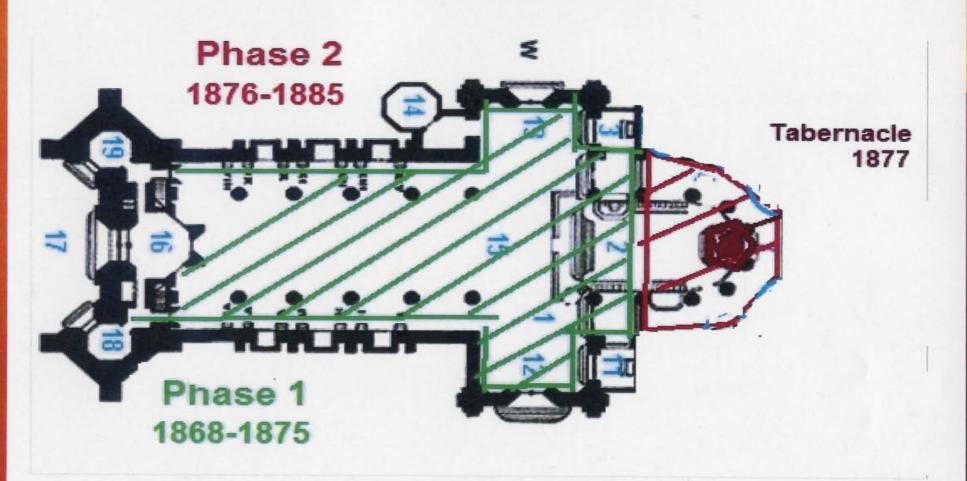


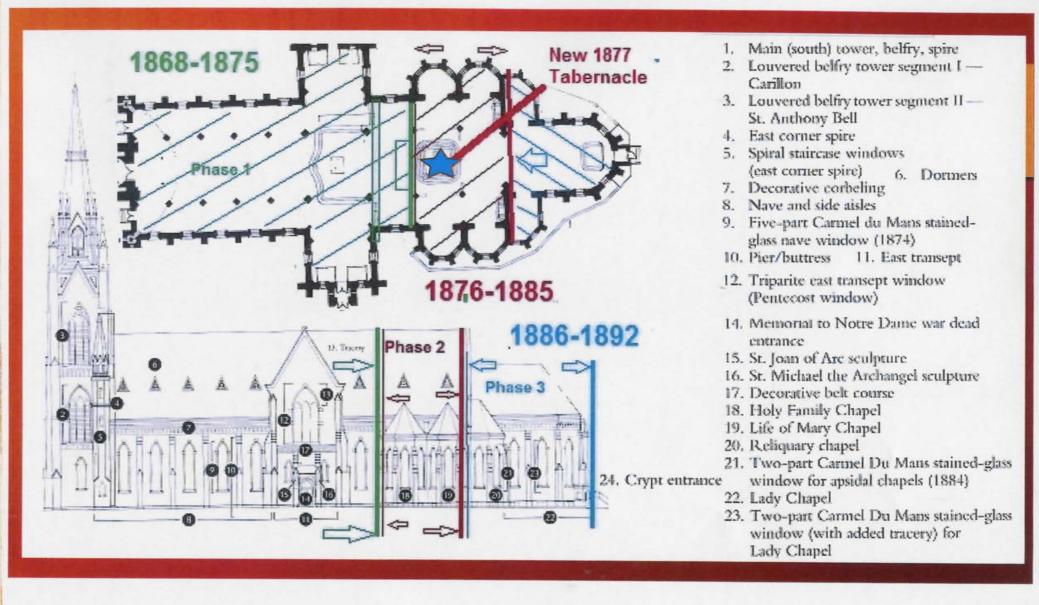
1929 Left Side Altar Removed

Three Building Phases of Basilica

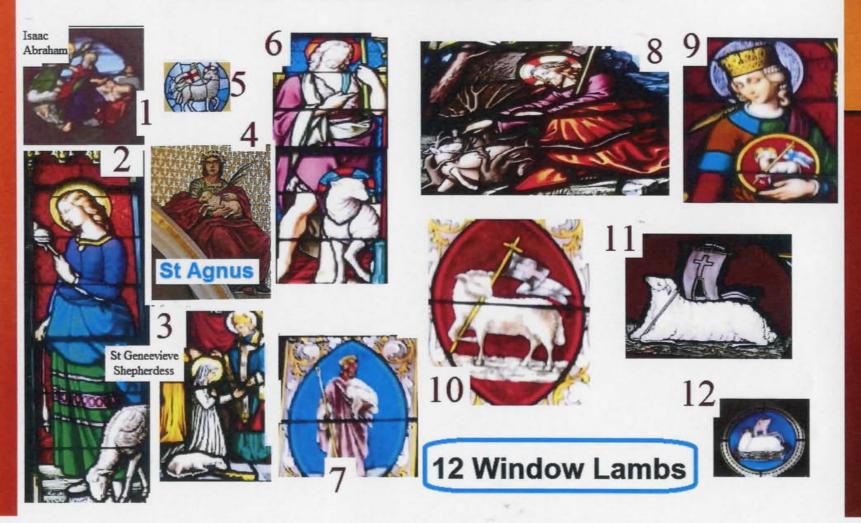


Three Building Phases of Basilica





More Basilica Lambs





God

Basilica Lambs





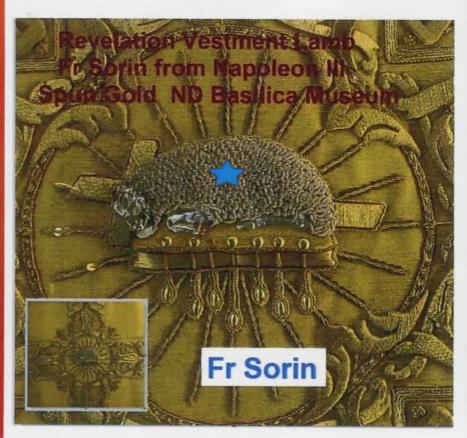
Shepherd

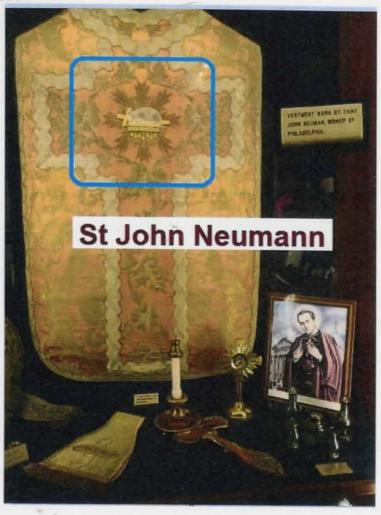


Both Fr Sorin & St John Neumann

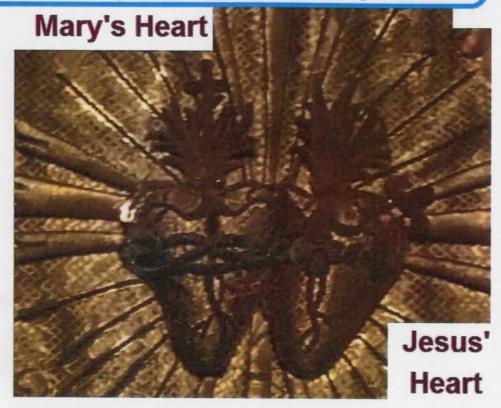
wore same Lamb Vestments

~ 1842-1860





Another Fr. Sorin Mass Vestment w both Jesus/Mary Hearts



Basilica Stained Glass Window



Why Do Catholics Crown Mary? Why Notre Dame?

Great Book

Hail, Holy Queen: The Mother of God in the Word
of God Paperback – September 19, 2006 by Scott Hahn



Former Protestant now Catholic Professor Franciscan Univ Stubenville

(Author) Book Foreword

- 1 ...the principle of St Augustine that the New Testament is concealed in the Old, and the Old revealed in the New.
- 2 Mary foreshadowed in Old Testament especially as Eve.

Mother of all the living. New Ark of the Covenant, Rev Queen Mother 11:19

Comes From Chapter 12 Bk Rev

3 Mary is the Heavenly Queen, clothed with the sun, with the moon under her feet, and on her Head a Crown of 12 Stars. (Revelation 12:1)



Painting Located Above Tabernacle

b. Coronation of Mary



Why does Catholic Church Reference Papal Dogma over Biblical References? -Crown"

Mary as Queen of Heaven & Earth "

'Halo

Where does this Theology Come From?

Dualistic (split)

thinking

versus

Non Dual (same)

polarized

Pope & Magisterium

Dogmatic or Biblical

Bk Rev

unified

Twelve Star

-Crown"

Catholic or Protestant

"Halo

Republic of Ireland or UK Northern Ireland

Basilica Entrance Door

The Alpha

Book of Bible Genesis



The Omega

Book of Bible

Revelation

Now the serpent was more crafty ... He said to the woman, 'Did God say, "You shall not eat from any tree in the garden"... God said, "You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden... Have you eaten from the tree

tree of life.



Genesis No Polarity
Jesus was Jew

Jewish Faith vrs Christian 52

Revelation

Why do Catholics call Mary the Ark of the New Covenant?

By: Steve Ray

The Omega

Ω Book of Bible Revelation

New Covenant



Scott Hahn same Thesis

God was very specific about the ark exact detail (Ex 25-30). a place where God himself would dwell

a place where God himself would dwell

a perfect container covered with pure gold

If the only begotten Son were to take up residence perfect dwelling place

🛊 the womb of a human girl,

would he not make her flawless?

The Alpha Book of Bible

A

Exodus



Mary - Eve, Eucharist - Manna, New Jerusalem-Old, Jesus-Moses



Notice the Amazing Parallels



- In the ark was the law of God inscribed in stone;
 - n Mary's womb was the Word of God in flesh.
 - In the ark was the urn of manna, the bread from heaven in Mary's womb is the Bread of Life come down from heaven
 - In the ark was the rod of Aaron, proof of true priesthood.
 - in Mary's womb is the true priest.

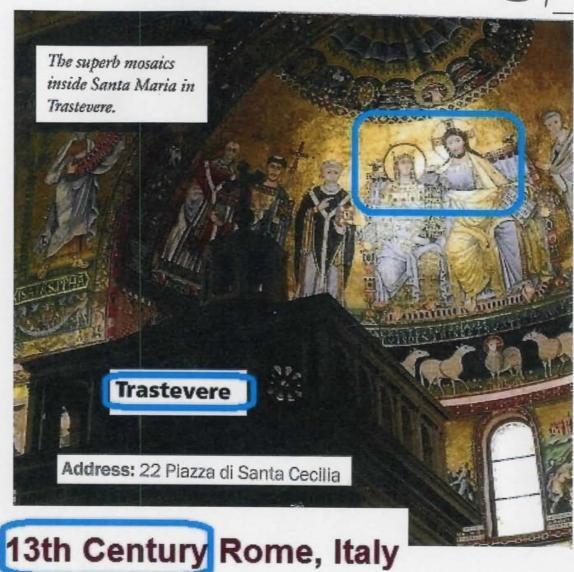
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Coronation of Mary







Twelve Star Mary

October 2017 Visit to Rome and Assisi Italy

"Halo -Crown"



Rome Italy and The Vatican

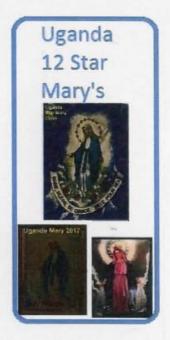
Twelve Star Bk Rev Mary "Halo-Crown" is International

One Month Visit to Uganda in January

May 1-10 Visit to Ireland

Saint Mary's Church, Cong Co Mayo Ireland >>



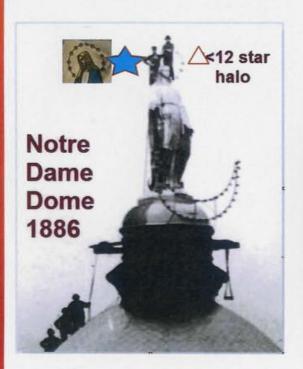


Are there any 12 Star Mary's at University of Notre Dame??? Yes

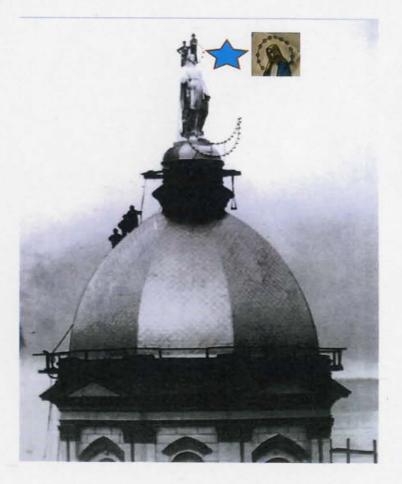
Physics Prof Zahm added 12 Star Lighting in 1884

Removed ~ 1929 Why????

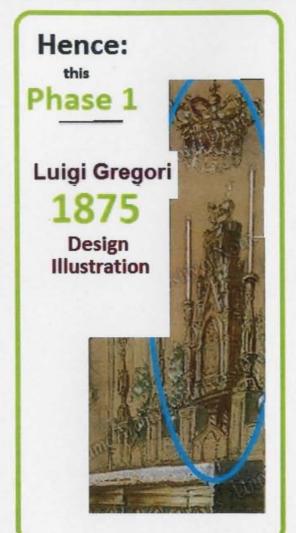
The crown and crescent electric lights on the Dome were removed some time in the late 1920s or early 1930s, but the Dome itself is still illuminated every night. Electrical lighting is now a given, but for the students and faculty living at Notre Dame in the late 1800s,













of ND Basilica Art Plan

Thesis:

One Main
Cohesive
Central
Presentation
Tabernacle to
Ceiling Art



1888 Final Production

Revelation 11 & 12 becomes Notre Dame

Passover becomes Mass Lamb

Lost Jereusalem
Old Covenant Ark



becomes





Mary's Womb ND Tabernacle

Sorin's Robert Froc Victory Lamb

Proposed
Changes
to Lamb on
Tabernacle
in order
Better Focus
Victory
Lamb
as
Centerpiece
of ND
Basilica



Canopy on Tabernacle Lamb

Added 1877?

Original Color Burnished Silver

Color Now Gold

In Conclusion, Mary as Ark of New Covenant and Jesus as Lamb of God, get equal emphasis in Sorin's Basilica of Sacred Heart of Jesus and Mary...IMHO

The ark of the Old Covenant had been lost for centuries—no one had seen it for about 600 years. But in Revelation 11:19, John makes a surprising announcement: "Then God's temple in heaven was opened, and the ark of his covenant was seen within his temple."

This last line of Chapter 11.

Then chapter 12 begins with **Revelation 12:1** "A great portent appeared in heaven: a woman clothed with the sun, with the moon under her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars. ²She was pregnant and was crying out in birth pangs, in the agony of giving birth".

... Bible was not written with chapter divisions.... added in the 12th century.... chapters 11 and 12 was a continuing narrative.

The Next 19 5/iles are for Basilia Tour June 2

The Following Slides are Online SLIDE 1

ND's Basilica Abbreviated Book of Revelation

(Revelation 1) The revelation of **Jesus** Christ, which God gave him to show his servants what must soon take place; he made it known by sending his **angel** (80) to his <u>servant John</u>...

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"The Grace and Peace of Our Lord Jesus Christ Be With You"

Mass





Grace to you and Peace

4 Grace and Peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven (53x) spirits... before his throne, 5 ...from Jesus Christ...and on his account all the tribes of the earth (72x) ...8 I am the Alpha and Omega (3x)

Alpah and Omega







10...I was in the spirit on the Lord's day…12...I saw seven golden lampstands (7x) ... 13 I saw one like the Son of Man, clothed with a long robe and with a golden sash across his chest (Vestments).

SLIDE R2

1860 Sorin/Napoleon III Vestments



20 As for the mystery of the seven stars that you saw in my right hand, and the seven golden lampstands: the seven stars are the angels of the seven churches, and the seven lampstands are the seven churches.

(Revelation 2) 1 "To the angel of the church in Ephesus write: These are the words of him who holds the seven stars in his right hand, who walks among the seven golden lampstands:

Seven Basilica Lampstands

(Revelation 3) ...22 Let anyone who has an ear listen to what the Spirit is saying to the churches.

(Revelation 4) 1 After this I looked, and there in heaven (50) a door stood open! ... "Come up here, and I will show you what must take place after this." 4 Around the throne are 24 thrones, and seated on the thrones are 24 elders, dressed in white robes 6 Around the throne, and on each side of the throne, are four living

(Revelation 4) 1 After this I looked, and there in heaven (50) a door stood open! ... "Come up here, and I will show you what must take place after this.' 4 Around the throne are 24 thrones, and seated on the thrones are 24 elders, dressed in white robes: 6 Around the throne, and on each side of the throne, are <u>four living</u> <u>creatures</u>, ... 7 ... 1st living creature like a lion <u>Mark</u> ... 2nd living creature like an ox <u>Luke</u> ... 3rd living creature like a human face <u>Matthew</u> ... 4th living creature... eagle <u>John</u>. 8 Day and night without ceasing they sing, "Holy, Holy, Holy" the Lord God the Almighty, who <u>was</u> and <u>is</u> and is <u>to come</u>. △ 10 the 24 elders fall before the one who is seated on the throne and worship the one who lives <u>forever</u> and <u>ever</u>.

(Revelation 5) ...no one in heaven or on earth or under the earth was able to open the scroll...6 Then I saw between the throne and the four living creatures and among the elders a Lamb (31x) standing as if slaughtered.

Standing as if Slaughtered







SLIDE R3

24 elders fell before the *Lamb*..9 They sing a new song: "You are worthy ... to open its seals, for you were slaughtered and by your blood you ransomed.. saints... "To the one seated on the throne and to the *Lamb* be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever. 11 Then I looked, and I heard the voice of many angels surrounding the throne and the living creatures and the elders; they numbered myriads of myriads and 1000's of 1000's, 12 singing with full voice, "Worthy is the *Lamb* that was slaughtered to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!"

(Revelation 6)... Then I saw the Lamb open one of the seven seals, .. "Come!" 2 I looked, and there was a white

horse! ..3 ... 2nd living creature.. "Come!" 4 ... came ... horse, bright red; ... opened the 3rd seal... "Come!" there was a 4th a pale green horse! ... "Come!" 8

...FOUR HORSEMAN OF APOCALYSP



SLIDE R4

9 When he opened the fifth seal, I saw <u>Martyrs under the altar</u> for the word of God and for the testimony they had given

(Revelation 7) 1 After this I saw four **angels** standing at the four corners of the **earth**, ...the number of those sealed, **144,000**

... out of every tribe of the people of Israel: 5 ... Judah 12,000... Reuben 12,000... Gad 12,000...6 ... Asher 12,000... Naphtali 12,000... Manasseh 12,000...7 ..Simeon 12,000... Levi 12,000... Issachar 12,000... 8 Zebulun 12,000... Joseph 12,000... Benjamin 12,000

10 "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the **Lamb**!" 11 And all the **angels**(80 Angels wrs 92 in Basilica Ceiling)... stood around the throne...

Names, Stars, Ceiling Angels















SLIDE R5

15 For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and ... 17 for the *Lamb* at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to **springs of the water** of life,

(Revelation 8) 1 When the *Lamb* opened the seventh seal, there was silence in heaven for about half an hour. 2 And I saw the seven angels who stand before God, and seven trumpets were given to them. 3 Another angel with a golden censer came and stood at the altar; he was given a great quantity of incense to offer with the prayers of all the saints on the altar that is before the throne. A And the smoke of the incense, with the prayers of the saints, rose before God from the hand of the angel. 5 Then the angel took the censer and filled it with fire from the altar. 8 The second angel blew his trumpet,





The Golden Altar of Incense God commanded the priests

to burn incense on the golden altar every morning and evening, the same time that the daily burnt offerings were made.

The incense was to be left burning continually as a pleasing aroma to the Lord.

Censer

SLIDE R6

10 The third **angel** blew his **trumpet**, and a great star fell from **heaven**, blazing like a torch, and it fell on a third of the **rivers** and on the **springs of water**. 11 The name of the star is **Wormwood**. A third of the **waters** became **wormwood**, and many died from the water, because it was made bitter. 12 The fourth **angel** blew his **trumpet**,

(Revelation 10)...And I saw another mighty angel coming down from heaven, ..5 Then the seventh angel is to blow his **trumpet**, the mystery of God will be fulfilled, as he announced to his servants the prophets(12x).

(Revelation 11) 4...the two lampstands that stand before the Lord of the earth... 15 Then the seventh angel blew his trumpet, and there were loud voices in heaven, saying... 16 Then the 24 elders who sit on their thrones before God fell on their faces and worshiped God... for rewarding your servants, the prophets and saints and all who fear your name... 19 Then God's temple in heaven was opened, and the Ark of Covenant was seen within his temple; and there were flashes, lightning, rumblings, peals of thunder, earthquakes, and heavy hail.

(Revelation 12) 1 A great portent appeared in heaven: a woman clothed w the sun, with the moon under her feet, and on her head a crown 12 stars.

Basilica Tabernacle w Mary, New Ark of Covenant

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Basilica Tabernacle w Mary, New Ark of Covenant

https://www.catholic.com/magazine/print-edition/mary-the-ark-of-the-new-covenant

Mary, Crowned w 12 Stars, Queen of Heaven and Earth



SLIDE R7

2 She was pregnant and was crying out in birth pangs, in the agony of giving birth. 5 And gave birth to a **SON**, a male child, who is to rule all the nations with a rod of iron.

(Revelation 13) 8 The foundation of the world in the book of life of the *Lamb* that was **slaughtered**. 9 Let anyone who has an ear listen

(Revelation 14) 3 No one could learn that song except the 144,000 who have been redeemed from the earth. 4 It is these who have not defiled themselves *Lamb* wherever he goes. ...the presence of the holy angels and in the presence of the *Lamb*, with women, for they are **virgins**.



SLIDE R8

Basilica Virgins

(Revelation 15) 3 And they sing the song of Moses, the servant of God, and the song of the Lamb

(Revelation 18) 20 Rejoice over her, O heaven, you saints and apostles and prophets. 23 ...and the light of a lamp will shine in you no more; and the voice of **bridegroom** and **bride** will be heard in you no more. 24 And in you was found the blood of **prophets**, saints, and of all who have been slaughtered on earth."

(Revelation 19) 4 And the twenty-four elders and the four living creatures fell down and worshiped God who is seated on the throne, saying, "Amen. Hallelujah!" crying out, "Hallelujah! For the Lord our God the Almighty reigns. 7 Let us rejoice and exult and give him the glory, for the marriage of the Lamb has come, and his bride has made herself ready. 9 "Write this: Blessed are those who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb."







SLIDE R9

Mass Photo

"Come, gather for the great supper great supper of God, 18 to eat the flesh

(Revelation 20).....12 And I saw the dead, great and small, standing before the throne, and books were opened...., the book of life.

(Revelation 21) 1 Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. 2 And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

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New Jerusalem

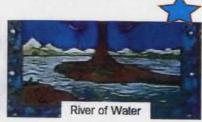
"See, I am making all things new." ...6 Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life. "Come, I will show you the bride, the wife of the Lamb."

10 And in the spirit he carried me away to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God. 12 It has a great, high wall with 12 gates, and at the gates twelve angels, and on the gates are inscribed the names of the 12 tribes of the Israelites 13 on the east three gates, on the north three gates, on the south three gates, and on the west three gates. 14 And the wall of the city has 12 foundations, and on them are the 12 names of the 12 apostles of the Lamb. 16 The city lies foursquare, its length the same as its width: 19 The foundations of the wall of the city are adorned with every jewel; the first was jasper, the second sapphire, the third agate, the fourth emerald, 20 the fifth onyx, the sixth carnelian, the seventh chrysolite, the eighth beryl, the ninth topaz, the tenth chrysoprase, the eleventh jacinth, the 12th amethyst.

(Revelation 22)...Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb. 2 through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its 12 kinds of fruit, producing its fruit for each month;







SLIDE R11

Basilica Tree of Life

But the throne of God and the *Lamb* will be in it, and his servants will **worship** him;the prophets, and with those who keep the words of this book. **Worship** God! 13 I am the **Alpha and the Omega**..first ...last...beginning...end.

Alpha and Omega ND Windows

The main ND Basilica's piece of art work is the Lamb, Standing as if Slain, atop the Basilica's New Ark of Covenant

Alpha and Omega ND Windows

SLIDE R12

The main ND Basilica's piece of art work is the Lamb, Standing as if Slain, atop the Basilica's New Ark of Covenant (Mary Womb) 1876 Robert Froc Tabernacle.

Alpha and Omega ND Windows

Basilica Tabernacle w Lamb Center Piece

June 2, 2017 Presentation on Fr Sorin, Apocalypse, Basilica

The following links present evidence that The ND Basilica's art work was coordinated around Fr Sorin's purchase of the Altar Tabernacle in 1873 where the entire Basilica theme for art work, including the stained glass windows, where a coordinated effort by Fr Sorin and Luigi Gregori to present a Mass in the Basilica, as an event that brought together heaven on earth, during a half hour celebration of that liturgy