

The Dedication of The Lateran Basilica (324 AD)



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"This feast commemorates the dedication of Saint John Lateran, the first Catholic Basilica of Rome, by Pope Sylvester in 324. The Lateran is the episcopal seat of the Bishop of Rome, the Pope. Above its towering 18th century facade can be seen "The Image of CHRIST Triumphant," surrounded by Saints and Doctors [of The Church].

"Every place set aside for Divine worship is a sign of That Spiritual Temple, which is The Church, made up of living stones: of The Faithful united by The One Faith, of the participation in The Sacraments and of The Bond of Charity. The Saints, in particular, are precious stones of That Spiritual Temple" (Saint John Paul II.)"

The Basilica of Saint John Lateran, the Cathedral of the Pope as Bishop of Rome, is [thus] called the "Mother Church" of Rome and of the world. As such, it is a visible symbol of The universal Church. It calls us to look toward The House of GOD in The New Jerusalem, toward which The earthly Church is on pilgrimage." *

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"O GOD, Who from living and chosen stones to prepare
An Eternal Dwelling for Your Majesty, increase in Your
Church The SPIRIT of Grace You have bestowed, so that
by new growth Your faithful people may build up The
Heavenly Jerusalem. Through our Lord JESUS CHRIST,
Your Son, Who lives and reigns with You in The Unity
of The HOLY SPIRIT, GOD for ever and ever." * AMEN.

REVELATION 21:1-7

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=53oCWwdg6xk>

1 And I saw a new Heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea.

2 And I John saw The Holy City, New Jerusalem, coming down from GOD out of Heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

3 And I heard a great voice out of Heaven saying, Behold, The Tabernacle of GOD is with men, and He will dwell with them, and they shall be His people, and GOD Himself shall be with them, and be their GOD.

4 And GOD shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away.

5 And He that sat upon The Throne said, Behold, I make all things new. And He said unto me, Write: for These Words are true and faithful.

6 And He said unto me, It is done. I AM Alpha and Omega, The Beginning and The End. I will give unto him that is athirst of The Fountain of The Water of Life freely.

7 He that overcometh shall inherit all things; and I will be his GOD, and he shall be My son.

*["The Dedication of The Lateran Basilica." The Magnificat, 11/09/2021. Introduction, p 122 & 119. Collect, p 122-123.]