

BALDACHIN ON THE MAIN ALTAR OF ST. PETER'S BASILICA IN THE VATICAN

COLLABORATION BETWEEN THE VATICAN'S FABRIC OF ST. PETER AND THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS 1980-2023

RESTORATION WORKS:

- **1.** Vatican Grottoes: Construction of the <u>new Chapel of the Patron Saints of Europe</u>, Benedict, Cyril, and Methodius: **1980-1981**
- 2. Vatican Grottoes, Expansion of the Chapel of Our Lady of Czestochowa of the Polish Nation: 1982
- **3.** Vatican Basilica: Restoration and consolidation of the <u>Facade</u>: **1985-1986**
- **4.** St. Peter's Square: Restoration of the nineteenth-century <u>statues of the Apostles Peter and Paul</u> at the foot of the Basilica's platform: **1987**
- **5.** Vatican Basilica: Renovation of the <u>two ancient rooms "of the Architects"</u> and "of the Glass": **1987**
- **6.** Vatican Basilica: Restoration of the <u>dome of the Blessed Sacrament</u>: **1992**

- 7. Vatican Basilica: Restoration of the <u>atrium</u> and the <u>Holy Door</u>: 1998
 8. Vatican Grottoes: Restoration of the painted decorations in the Chapel of Our Lady of the Bocciata: 2002
 9. Vatican Grottoes: Restoration of the painted decorations in the <u>Chapel of the Madonna of Partorienti</u>: 2003
- **11.** Vatican Sacristy, Treasure Museum: Restoration of the <u>bronze funerary monument of Pope Sixtus IV</u>, Della Rovere 1471-1484, created by Antonio del Pollaiolo: **2007-2009**

10. Vatican Grottoes: Restoration of the painted decorations in the <u>Clementine Peribolos</u>

- **12.** Vatican Basilica: Restoration of the <u>bronze funerary monument of Pope Innocent VIII</u>, Cybo 1484-1492, created by Antonio del Pollaiolo: 2010-2011
- **13.** Vatican Basilica: Restoration of the <u>Madonna della Colonna</u> "Mater Ecclesiae": **2012-2013**
- **14.** Vatican Basilica: Restoration of the <u>Madonna del Soccorso</u> in the Gregorian Chapel: **2013**
- 15. Vatican Necropolis: Restoration of the "Tomb E" or "of the Aelii": 2016
- **16.** Vatican Basilica: Restoration of the large wooden Crucifix (first half of the 14th century): **2015-2016**
- **17.** Vatican Necropolis: New lighting and enhancement of the Vatican Necropolis: **Work in progress**

18. PUBLICATIONS:

• Seven volumes documenting the restoration projects

around the Confessio of St. Peter: 2004-2005

• **Translation into English of the volume:** P. ZANDER, *The Necropolis of St. Peter. Art and Faith in the Undergrounds of St. Peter's Basilica*, Rome 2014 (in progress).

EXHIBITIONS:

- **2003-2005:** "Creating St. Peter's. Treasures of Vatican Architecture," New Haven, USA, Knights of Columbus Museum, December 10, 2003 August 31, 2004, extended until January 10, 2005; second edition. Washington, USA, "Pope John Paul II Cultural Center," January 10, 2005 May 31, 2005
- **2011-2012**: "Full of Grace. Crowned Madonnas from the Vatican Basilica," New Haven, CT, USA, Knights of Columbus Museum, May 7, 2011 January 8, 2012