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# CROSSING THE HOLY DOOR

*Aid for the rite  
with a group of faithful*

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*Dear pilgrims,  
this short rite will accompany you  
to the Holy Door.*

*To gain the plenary indulgence,  
after the rite, you can ask a priest  
of the Shrine to celebrate the Sac-  
rament of Penance. After confes-  
sion, pray according to the in-  
tentions of the Supreme Pontiff  
and participate in the Eucharist,  
communicating yourselves to the  
Body of Christ.*

# RITE FOR THE PASSAGE OF THE HOLY DOOR

*standing outside the Sanctuary  
we begin with the sign of the Cross*

*guide*

In the name of the Father  
and of the Son and of the  
Holy Spirit. Amen.

*guide*

Blessed be God, Father of  
our Lord Jesus Christ,

*everybody*

**who chose us before the cre-  
ation of the world to be his  
children in the beloved Son.**

*guide*

Blessed are Jesus Christ,  
only-begotten Son of God,  
born of the Virgin Mary, our  
mercy and our peace,

*everybody*

who has revealed to us the  
eternal mystery of love.

*guide*

Blessed be the Holy Spirit,  
source of grace  
and consolation,

*everybody*

who with his breath gives life  
to creation and to all human-  
ity and leads us to the full-  
ness of truth.

*near the Holy Door a reader  
reads the following*

*reader*

Look at the front door. At the top left you can see a spherical shape: it is the representation of the Star, the all-round Comet that indicates the path. May Christ the Light of the Gentiles illumine your path that you are taking to enter and meet Him. Pray the following Psalm together with your brothers and sisters in the faith, knowing that the Lord Jesus welcomes you, showing you a sure way.

*From Psalm 121*

*everybody*

**I rejoiced with those who  
said to me,**

**“Let us go to the house of  
the Lord.”**

**Our feet are standing  
in your gates, Jerusalem.**

*guide*

Jerusalem is built like a city  
that is closely compacted  
together.

That is where the tribes go up—  
the tribes of the Lord—  
to praise the name of the Lord  
according to the statute  
given to Israel.

*everybody*

**There stand the thrones  
for judgment,  
the thrones of the house of  
David.**

*guide*

Pray for the peace  
of Jerusalem:

“May those who love you  
be secure.

May there be peace  
within your walls  
and security within  
your citadels.”

*everybody*

**For the sake of my family  
and friends,**

**I will say,**

**“Peace be within you.”**

**For the sake of the house  
of the Lord our God,**

**I will seek your prosperity.**

*near the Holy Door a reader  
reads the following*

*reader*

And now look at the right side of the door. There is the angel of the Annunciation who, with open wings, welcomes pilgrims, announcing salvation to those who pass through this Door, as you too will shortly do.

*then another reader proclaims  
the Word of the Lord*

*reader*

Listen to the Word of the Lord from the Gospel according to Luke.

*(13,22-30)*



Then Jesus taught in one town and village after another as he made his way to Jerusalem. Someone asked him, “Lord, are only a few people going to be saved?” He told them, “Keep on struggling to enter through the narrow door, because I tell you that many people will try to enter, but won’t be able to do so. After the homeowner gets up and closes the door, you can stand outside, knock on the door, and say again and again, ‘Lord, open the door for us!’ But he will answer you, ‘I don’t know where you come from.’ Then you will say, ‘We ate and drank with you, and you taught in

our streets.’ But he will tell you, ‘I don’t know where you come from. Get away from me, all you who practice evil!’ In that place there will be crying and gnashing of teeth when you see Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, and all the prophets in the kingdom of God, and you yourselves being driven away on the outside. People will come from east and west, and from north and south, and will eat in the kingdom of God. You see, some who are last will be first, and some who are first will be last.

*The guide can offer a short  
homily at the end which says:*

Let us pray

O God, author of true freedom,  
that you want to gather all  
men into one people,  
free from all slavery,  
and grant us your children a  
holy year of grace and mercy,  
grant that your Church,  
growing in freedom  
and peace,  
may it shine for all as the  
sacrament of salvation,  
and reveal and actuate in  
the world the mystery of  
your love.

Through Christ our Lord.

*Everybody*

**Amen.**

*A reader and guide read  
the following*

*reader*

On your left you see shapes similar to the pyramids of Egypt and, on your right, Mary with the Child Jesus in her arms. Egypt recalls the persecution of the Israelites and the Virgin and Child, instead, the fulfillment of the promise.

*guide*

We cross the Holy Door laden with our sins that chase us, almost taking our breath away. We pass through the Holy Door certain that the Lord Jesus, born of Mary, makes us enter into liberating salvation.

*silence*

*guide*

And now, brothers and sisters,  
let us enter with joy into the  
house of the Lord,  
crossing the Holy Door  
which is Christ Jesus.

*everybody*

**This is the door of the Lord.  
The righteous will enter  
through it.  
I will enter your house,  
Lord.  
I prostrate myself towards  
your holy temple.**

*cross the Holy Door in silence*

*enter the Sanctuary, get on your knees on one of the benches.*

*Thank the Lord and live the Sacrament of Penance, confessing to a priest.*

*With the blessing of the Liturgy, we greet you fraternally.*

May the Lord bless you and protect you.

May he make his face shine upon you and give you his mercy.

May he turn his gaze upon you and give you his peace.