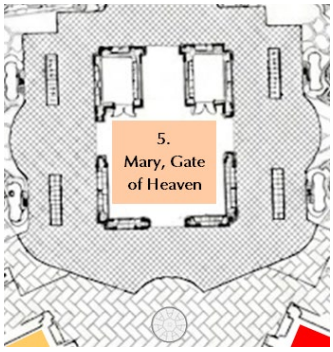
Mary, Gate of Heaven

A fifth mausoleum, named Mary, Gate of Heaven, has been added to the Our Lady of Sorrows mausoleum complex. In addition to being a mausoleum, it will also serve as an open-air committal shelter. There are two rectangular columbaria to the north, two to the south, and one round one to the east. Each of these buildings are organized under the Mary, Gate of Heaven name.



The building will be graced by 12 carved limestone tympanums, which will feature various Catholic devotional images, and eight mosaic roundels below the roofline. Two interior floor-to-ceiling mosaics will depict Our Lady of Lourdes on the north side and Our Lady of Guadalupe on the south side. On the reverse of this page, a diagram shows where the mosaics are to be located. Below an explanation of each of the tympanums is given.

Exterior West Elevation

Holy Eucharist—the Body and Blood of Our Lord Jesus Christ; the source and summit of our Faith

Pelican—a symbol of the Eucharist; according to legend a pelican would feed her young with her blood

Exterior East Elevation

Crown—the Blessed Virgin Mary was crowned upon her Assumption as the Queen of Heaven

Ark of the Covenant—carried by the Israelites in the desert; Mary is the new ark for carrying Jesus

Exterior North Elevation

Agnus Dei—the Lamb of God, slain to take away the sins of the world and to grant peace

Ichthys—a symbol using the Greek word for fish; an acrostic meaning “Jesus Christ, God’s Son, Savior”

Chi Ro—another ancient symbol using the first two letters (Chi and Ro) for “Christ” in Greek

Shell—used to pour water in Baptism, in which we are joined to Christ’s death to be born to new life

Exterior South Elevation

Keys—granted to St. Peter by Our Lord to exercise authority within the Church

Palm Branches—traditionally used to depict martyrs in icons signifying their victory over death

Fleur de Lis—a lily representing the purity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Rosary—a rope of prayer beads, a garland of roses, used for meditating on the life of Jesus and Mary



NORTH RONDEL
The Gate of Heaven
2′ - 8-1/2″ Diameter

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NORTHWEST RONDEL
Immaculate Heart of Mary
2′ - 81/2″ Diameter



NORTH INTERIOR
Our Lady of Lourdes
8′ - 7″ x 10′ - 8″ high

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NORTHEAST RONDEL
Saint Raphael the Archangel
2′ - 8-1/2″ Diameter



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WEST RONDEL
Sacerd Heart of Jesus
4′ - 0-3/4″ Diameter



3

EAST RONDEL
Saint Michael the Archangel
4′ - 0-3/4″ Diameter

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SOUTH INTERIOR
Our Lady of Guadalupe
8′ - 7″ x 10′ - 8″ high



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SOUTHWEST RONDEL
Chaste Heart of Joseph
2′ - 8-1/2″ Diameter



4

SOUTHEAST RONDEL
Saint Gabriel the Archangel
2′ - 8-1/2″ Diameter

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SOUTH RONDEL
The Morning Star
2′ - 8-1/2″ Diameter

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