



Jubilee Doorway at Home

A JUBILEE TRADITION

As we reflect on being pilgrims of hope (the theme of Jubilee 2025), Pope Francis encourages us to live with a “great symphony of prayer.” One way we can do this is to mark each day with prayerful reminders—physical signs that inspire us to prioritize God and glorify him by our lives.

There is a wonderful tradition of marking the beginning of a Jubilee Year by opening holy doors to specific churches. The first holy door was opened by Pope Martin V in 1423 at the Basilica of Saint John Lateran. For the start of Jubilee 2025, Pope Francis will open the holy door of Saint Peter’s Basilica.

Since each Christian family is a domestic Church, designate a doorway in your home as a holy door. Through this doorway, your family can pass as pilgrims of hope during Jubilee 2025. Let this doorway be a reminder to celebrate each day with a symphony of prayer.

DIRECTIONS

Designate a doorway or threshold at home as your family’s holy door. Invite the family to decorate this area with images and words to celebrate Jubilee 2025.

Suggested Items for Display

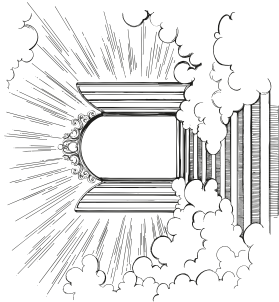
- ☐ Favorite Scripture passages
- ☐ Photos of family members, both living and deceased, who are or were pilgrims of hope in passing on the faith
- ☐ Prayer cards or notes of encouragement
- ☐ Christian imagery
- ☐ Other items to celebrate each month throughout the Jubilee



Color and cut out the Scripture strips on the next page to help decorate your family’s Jubilee door.

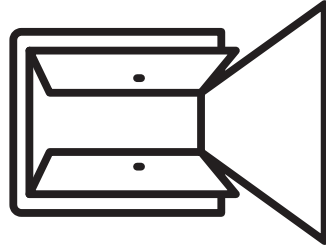
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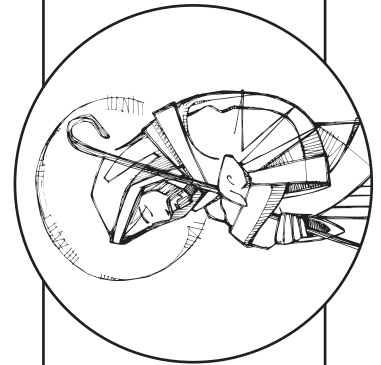
Open the gates of righteousness;
I will enter and thank the LORD.

Psalms 118:19



[Jesus said,] "... knock and
the door will be opened
to you."

Matthew 7:7



[Jesus said,] "I am the gate. Whoever
enters through me will be saved,..."

John 10:9