



*“...the Holy Door
will become a
Door of Mercy
through which
anyone who
enters will
experience the
love of God
who consoles,
pardons, and
instills hope.”*

--- Pope Francis,
Misericordiae Vultus
(The Face of Mercy)



DOOR OF MERCY

Pope Francis is inviting dioceses around the world to open a Holy Door.

In the Diocese of Orlando, Bishop John Noonan has designated the central bronze door at the Basilica of the National Shrine of Mary, Queen of the Universe to be the Holy Door during the Year of Mercy because of its significance as a minor basilica and as a place of pilgrimage, attracting thousands of pilgrims each year.

A holy door has been used since the fifteenth century to symbolize conversion. Pilgrims enter the door as a sign of leaving the past behind and crossing the threshold from sin to grace.

JUBILEE OF MERCY

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