



**Way of the Cross**

Striking representations of the Stations of the Cross, executed in batik dyeing, were created by Sister Kristin Malone, SSJ, the nationally acknowledged artist and member of the Sisters of St. Joseph congregation here. Sister Kristin's work is well known in the diocese and civic community. For the last several years she has created unique calendars featuring sketches of nature and verses from Scripture.

**The Nuclear Letter: 3rd Draft Completed**

Washington — The U.S. bishops ad hoc Committee on War and Peace has "successfully completed" its work on the third draft of a proposed pastoral letter on war and peace, Cardinal Joseph L. Bernardin, chairman, said last week.

document at a May 2-3 meeting in Chicago. Cardinal Bernardin's comments followed a nine-hour meeting March 23 at which the committee completed its discussions.

He said that the third draft "will be presented to the bishops with unanimous support of the ad hoc committee — not that all the members agree with every point in this long, complex document, but that all support

it as a whole." The committee also looks forward to receiving the bishops' responses in the form of their suggested amendments and to their deliberations and approval at the Chicago meeting, he said.

Since the bishops discussed the proposed pastoral — then in its second draft — at their November 1982 meeting, the ad hoc panel had received almost 400 pages of comments from bishops and others, had had the "benefit of helpful insights during the consultation" with other nations' bishops in Rome last January and had "had further useful exchanges with administration representatives," Cardinal Bernardin said.

threatens humanity today." The Holy Door, to the right of the main entrance of the basilica, was officially opened at 5:40 p.m., after a penitential procession from the Church of St. Stephen of the Abyssinians inside the Vatican.

Thousands gathered to watch the procession, despite an intermittent rain and strong winds.

The pope pronounced the three traditional Latin phrases with each tap of the door:

"Open to me the doors of justice. This is the door of the Lord. I enter into your house, oh Lord."

He said the document would be mailed to the bishops "in a matter of days." The National Conference of Catholic Bishops will meet and vote on the controversial

**Pope Officially Opens Holy Year**

Vatican City (NC) — With three symbolic taps of a gold and ivory hammer, Pope John Paul II opened the Holy Door of St. Peter's Basilica March 25 and began the 394-day Holy Year of Redemption.

After the solemn door opening, the pope led 100,000 people in prayer that the year would "change the direction of the mounting threats and disasters in the modern world."

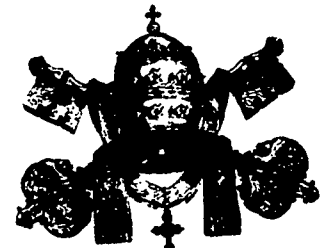
"The world seems to be traveling in a direction perilous for all," the pope said. "Help us to change the direction... do not permit the work of destruction that

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