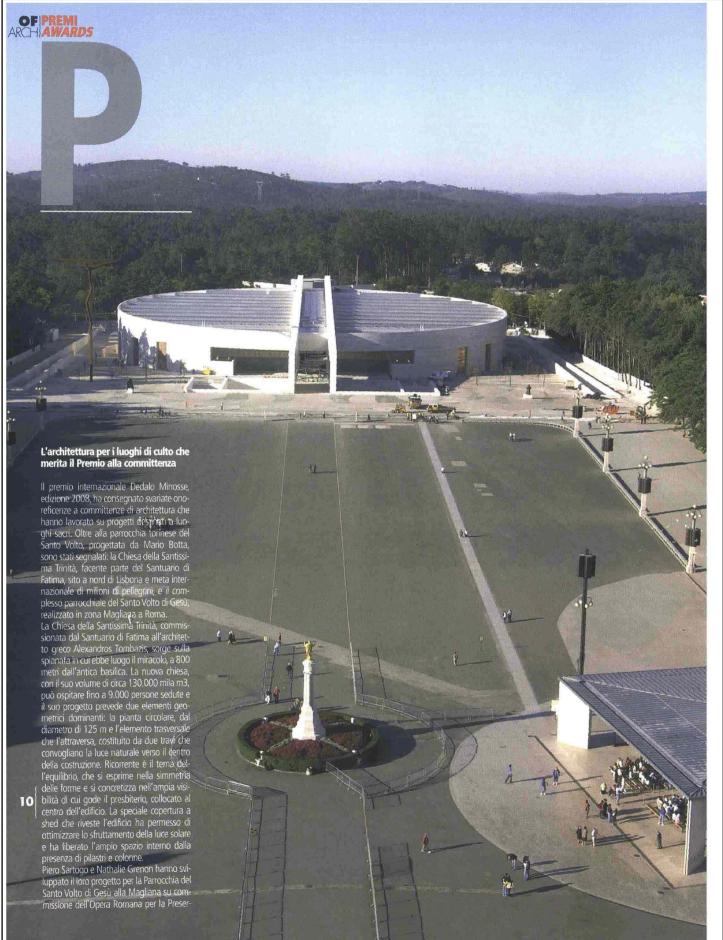
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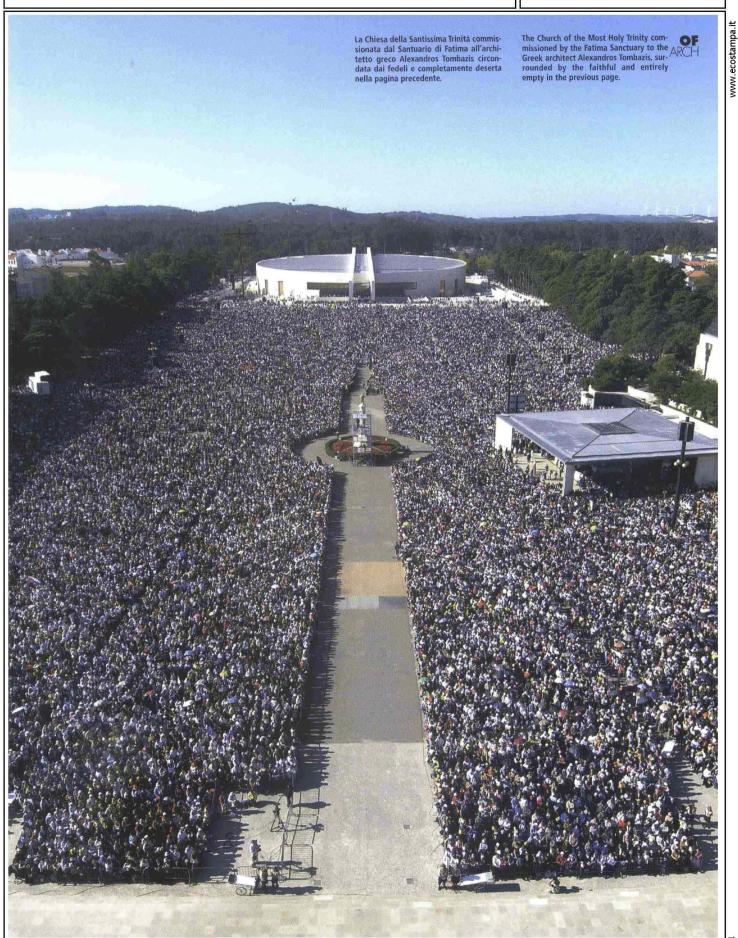
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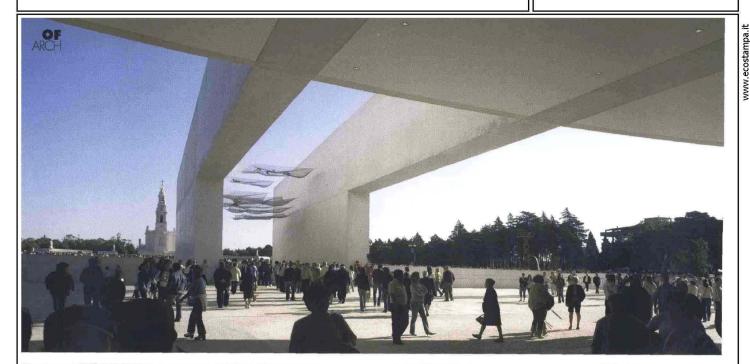
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vazione della Fede e la Provvista di Nuove Chiese a Roma. La loro opera è il frutto del perfetto connubio tra architettura, scultura e pittura, dell'impegno di artisti di livello internazionale e della volontà di creare uno spazio aperto alla comunità dei fedeli. La chiesa con pianta a spazio centrale schiude le sue superfici sacre alla comunità e il sagrato assume una rinnovata importanza, se si considera la sua funzione di luogo di incontro, integrazione e socializzazione. Il terreno stretto e la zona non certo turistica in cui è sorto il complesso architettonico presentavano una notevole sfida per i progettisti.

Ciò nonostante il risultato è un'opera luminosa e vivace, in cui il tema ricorrente della sfera evoca i concetti di cosmo, creazione e luce. Al contempo i fedeli sembrano essere invitati a seguire quel sentiero che ha come vettore la grandiosa croce realizzata da Eliseo Mattiacci. (Alice Monti)

The architecture for sacred places that was given to commissioned architectural works

The 2008 Dedalo Minosse international award was given to commissioned architectural works fruit of projects for sacred places. Together with the Turin's Parish of the Santo Volto designed by Mario Botta, other mentioned projects where: the Church of the Most Holy Trinity belonging to the Fatima Sanctuary north of Lisbon, an international destination visited by millions of pilgrims and the Parish complex of the Santo Volto di Gesù in the Magliana area in Rome. The Church of the Most Holy Trinity commissioned by the Fatima Sanctuary to the Greek architect Alexandros Tombazis rises in the plain where the miracle took place, 800 metres away

from the ancient basilica. The new church, with an almost 130,000-cubicmetre volume, can accommodate up to 9,000 sitting persons and the project features two dominant geometric elements: the round plan with a 125metre diameter and the axis that crosses it, which is composed of two beams making natural light reach the core of the building. The balance concept is often repeated and it is expressed by the symmetric forms that make the chancel extremely visible, set in the middle of the building. The special shed that covers the building allowed to exploit sunlight and eliminated inner pillars and columns. Piero Sartogo and Nathalie Grenon developed the project for the Parish of the Santo Volto di Gesù in the Magliana area, commissioned by the Roman Institution for the Preservation

of Faith and the Construction of New Churches in Rome. Their project is fruit of the perfect mix of architecture, sculpture and painting, of the work of international artists and of the will to create a church welcoming the faithful. The church features a round plan, whose holy surface overlooks the community. The parvis plays a new major role, since it turns into a meeting place for integration and socialization. The narrow ground and the area where the church was built - not at all a tourist destination - represented a great challenge for the designers. Nevertheless, it is a bright and lively structure, where the repeated sphere model evokes the cosmos, the creation and light. At the same time, it seems the faithful are invited to follow the path based on the majestic cross by Eliseo Mattiacci. (Alice Monti)

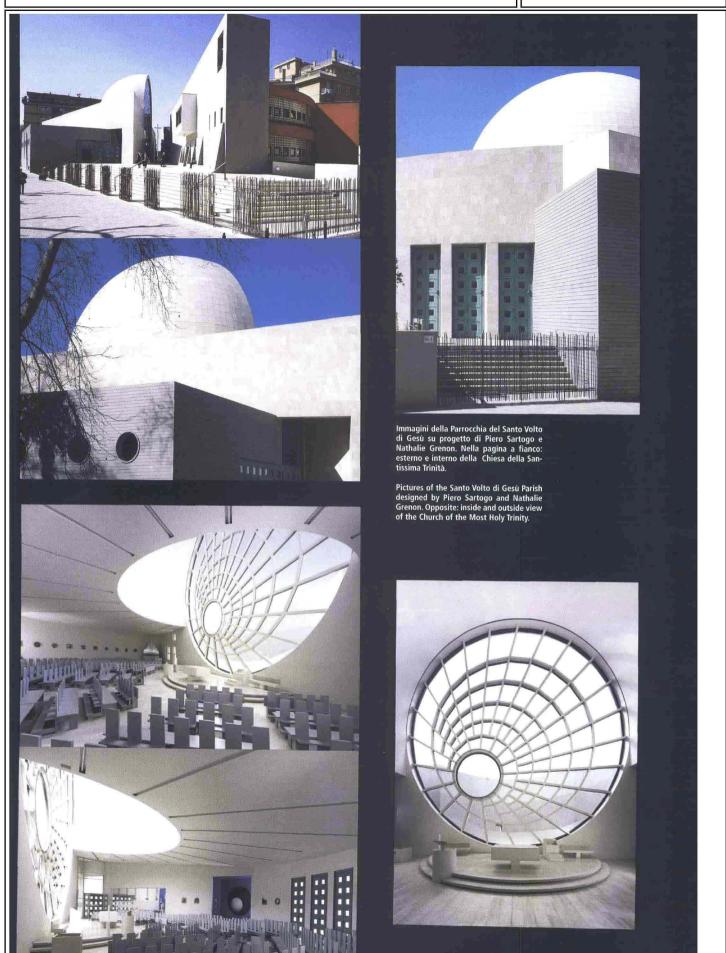
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