HISTORY OF ARCHITECTURE I ARC 2313 - SPRING 2022

LECTURE-29 11 April 2022

For Wednesday, 13 April Ingersoll: 339 - 358 Reminder: Test #3 Friday, 22 April 2022 (Lectures 22-31)



Reminder: Test #3 Wednesday, 27 April 2022 (Lectures 22-31) Recall in *Lecture-23* we read from *Stilgoe*, which ended up with the Gothic Village which evolved into the Gothic Town.



manorial lord

serfs working in the fields

FEUDALISM OR MANORIALISM

SERFDOM



The Manor House ~ Estate ~ Landed ~ Demesne (lord, liege, noble, feudal lord, sire, seignor, señor, monsieur, mister)



medieval hut

cottage



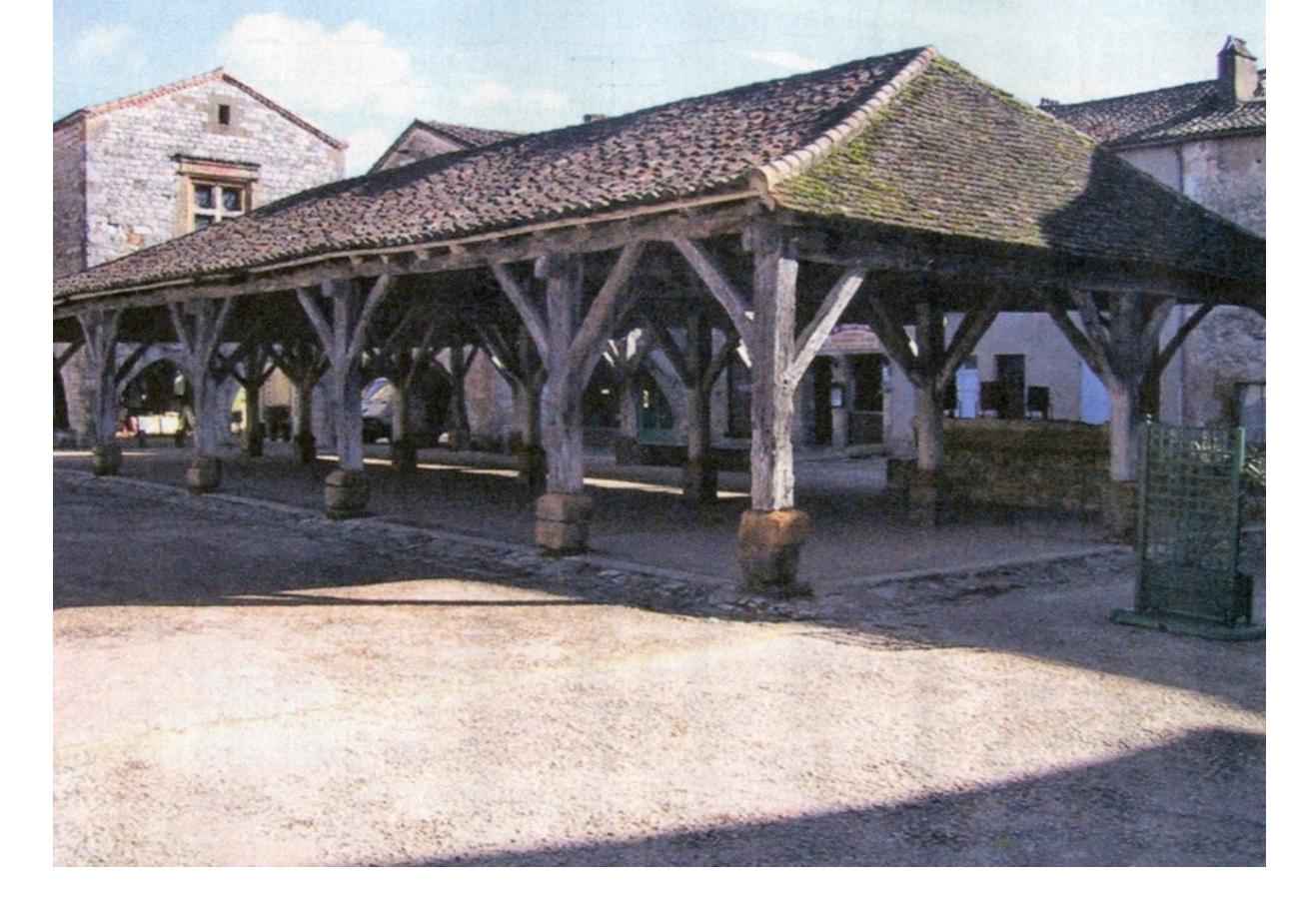


The **medieval village** evolves into the **medieval town** The **Gothic Cathedral** will emerge as the centerpiece of the medieval town

IN THE MEDIEVAL TOWN:

- ¶ population increases
- ¶ markets develop
- ¶ cities develop
- ¶ resurgence of civic life
- ¶ city walls expand





Medieval market at Montpazier c 1400

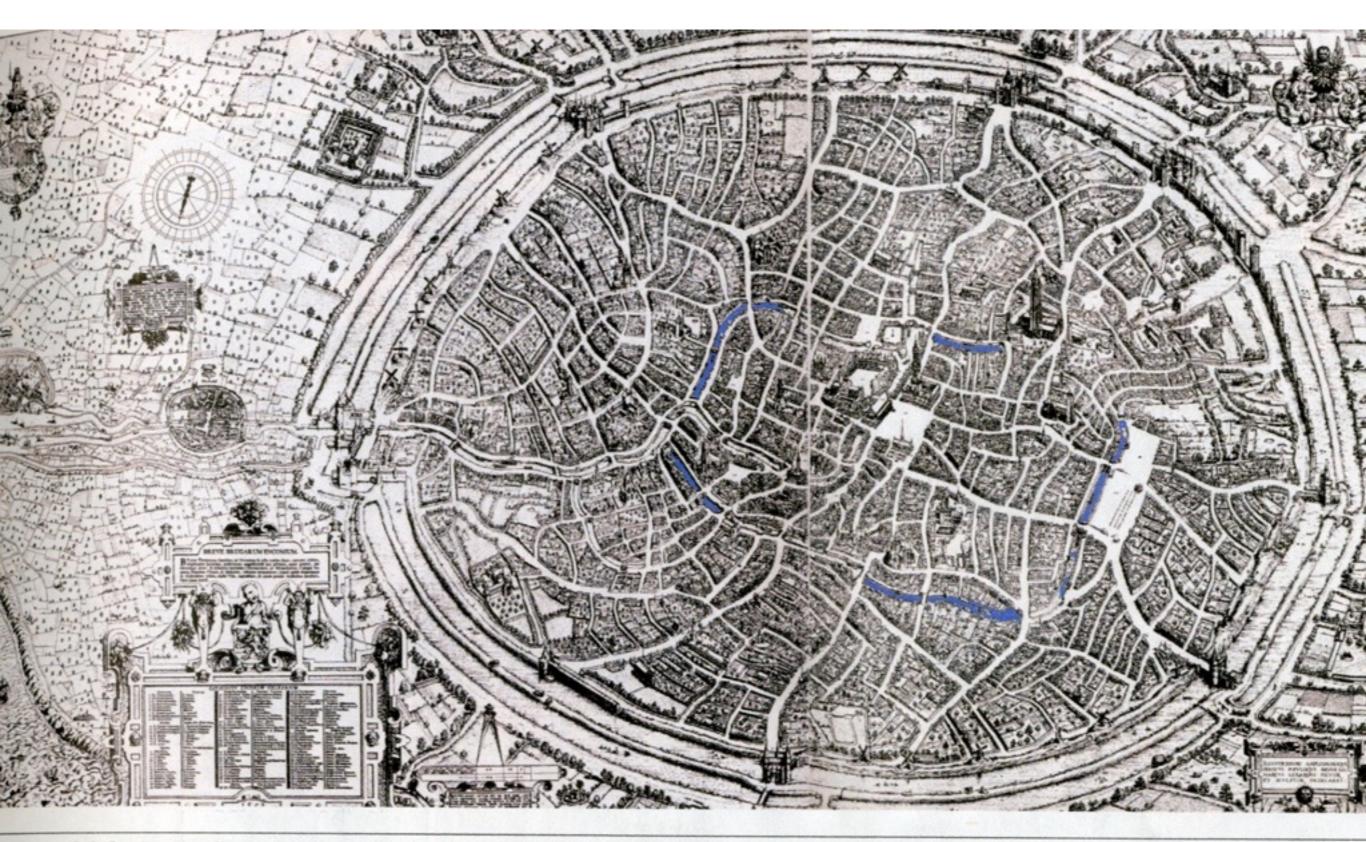


Figure 9.2-3 Bruges. Map of expanded city in late thirteenth century, fattened into an oval.

Bruges - city walls expanded (c 1280)

An example of a medieval Northern European merchant city

In **Bruges**, we see examples arise within the urban fabric that are unique in type...

> thus, broadly speaking, *new urban building types*

Belfry The town treasury The town archives The town watchtower

Cloth Hall The covered market A model for stock exchanges

THE BELFRY AND CLOTH HALL IN BRUGES (1240)

Getting product to market via canal

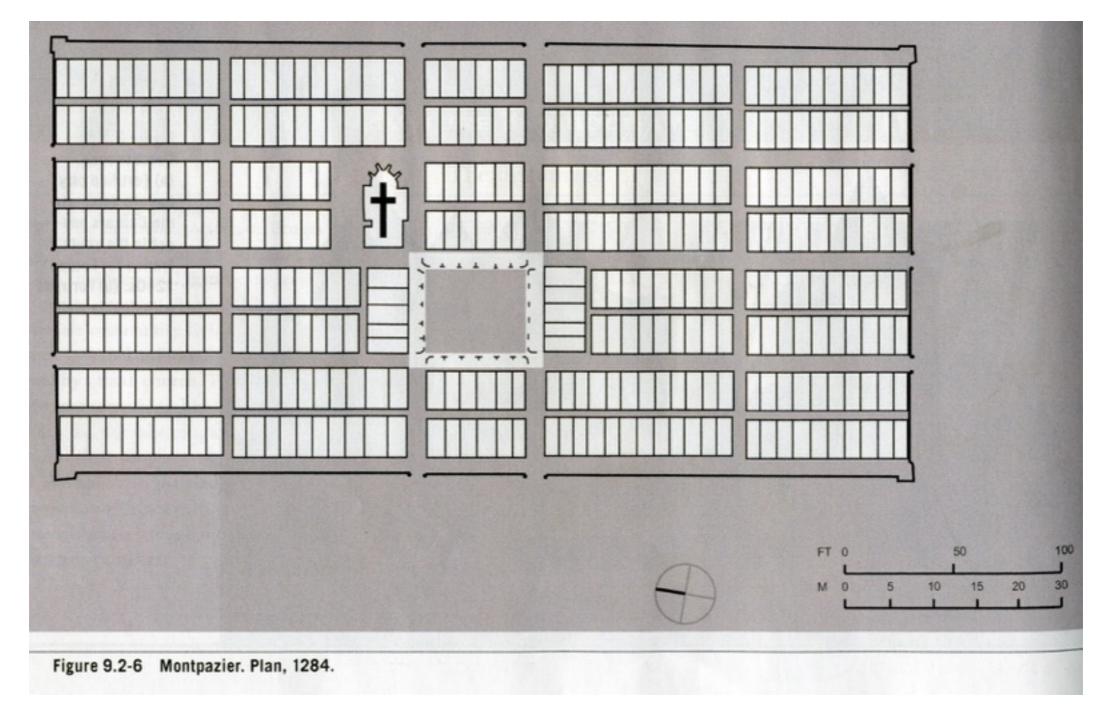
Figure 9.2-4 Bruges. Waterhalle, 1280, detail from painting of the Wonders of Bruges, by Pieter Claessins, mid-seventeenth century.

WATERHALLE IN BRUGES (1280)

An example of a medieval Southern European fortified city

Carcassonne in the south of France (1240) Captured from the Cathars by Louis IX and fortified with a **drawbridge** and **donjon** (**castle keep**)

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concept of *bastides - gothic lots*

towns increased freedom of movement yet they were walled for protection, provided accessibility to markets, greater social order, less control from fuedal lords

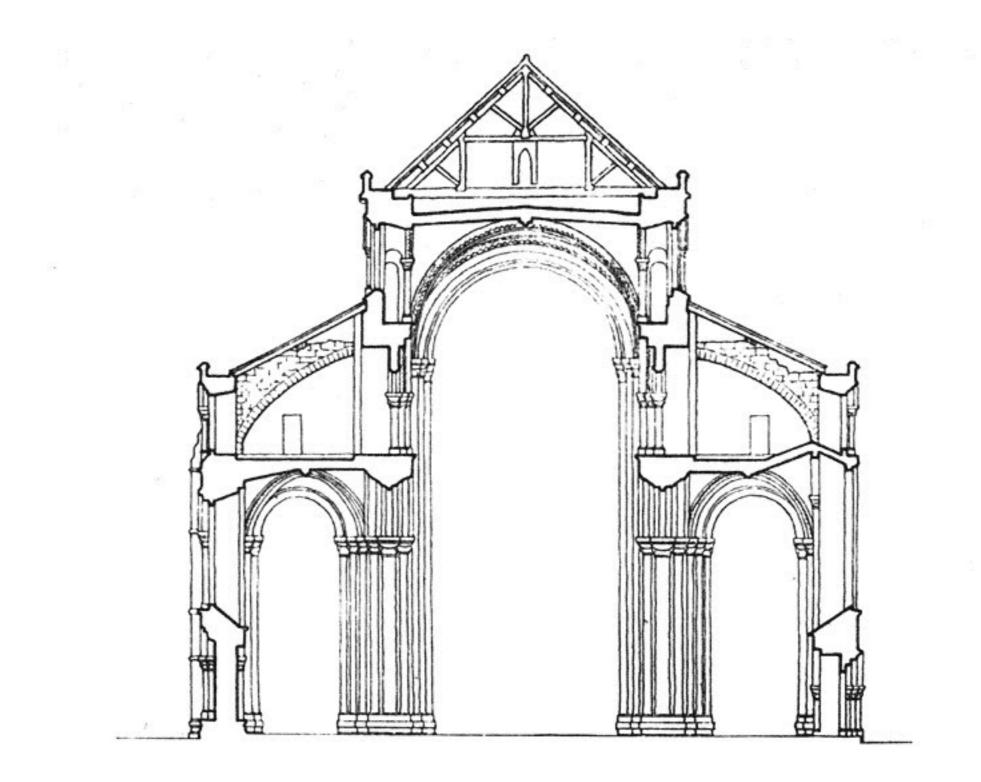


Figure 9.2-7 San Giovanni Valdarno, Tuscany, 1300. Reconstructed axonometric view by Massimo Tosi.

San Giovanni Valdarno c 1300

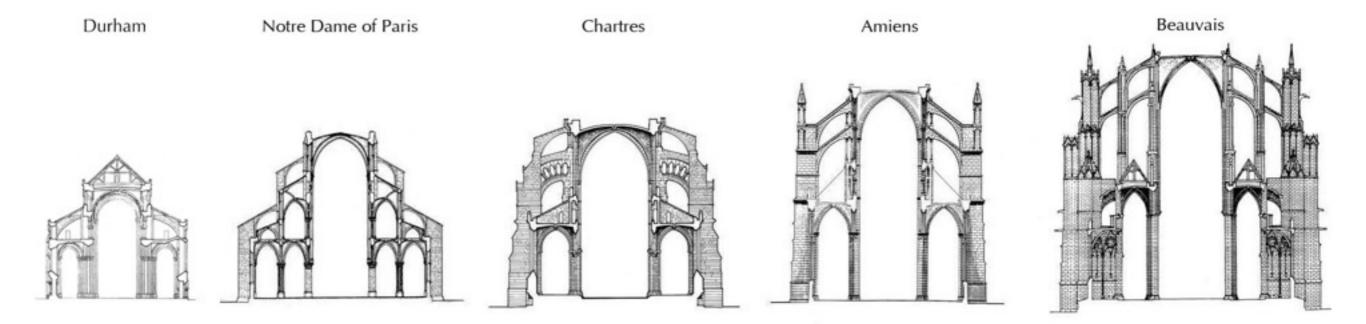
Cathedrals:

ROMANESQUE TO GOTHIC



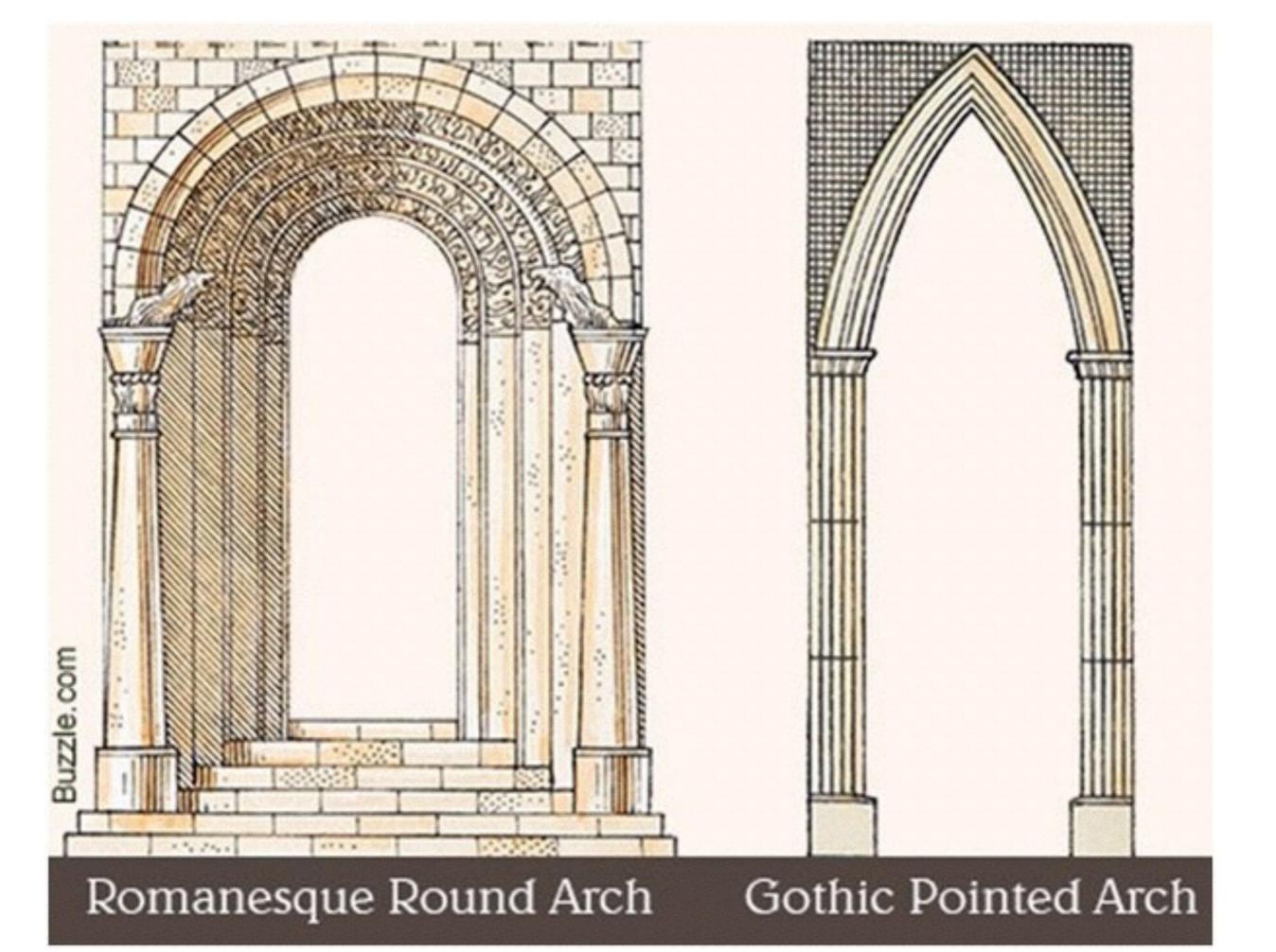
Durham Cathedral (1093)

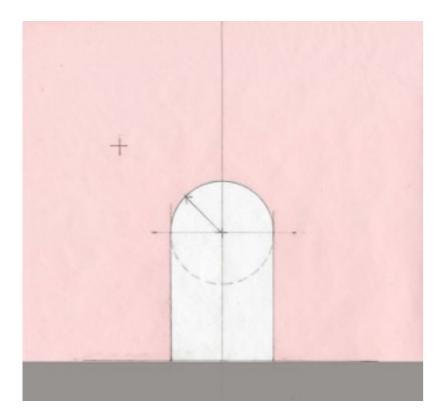
Romanesque

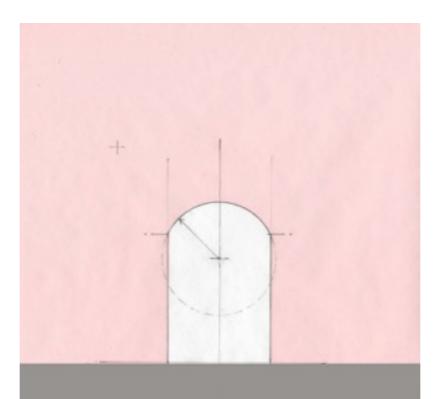


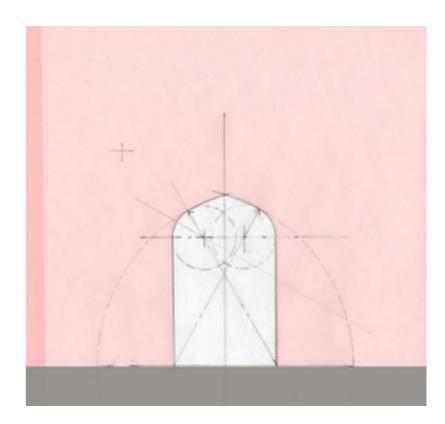
cathedral sections

Key elements are transformed as cathedrals shift from *Romanesque* >> *Gothic*





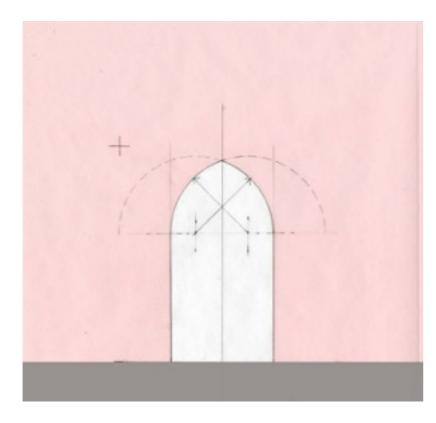


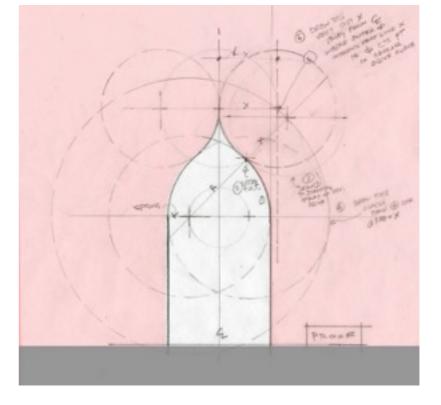


Half-Round

Segmental

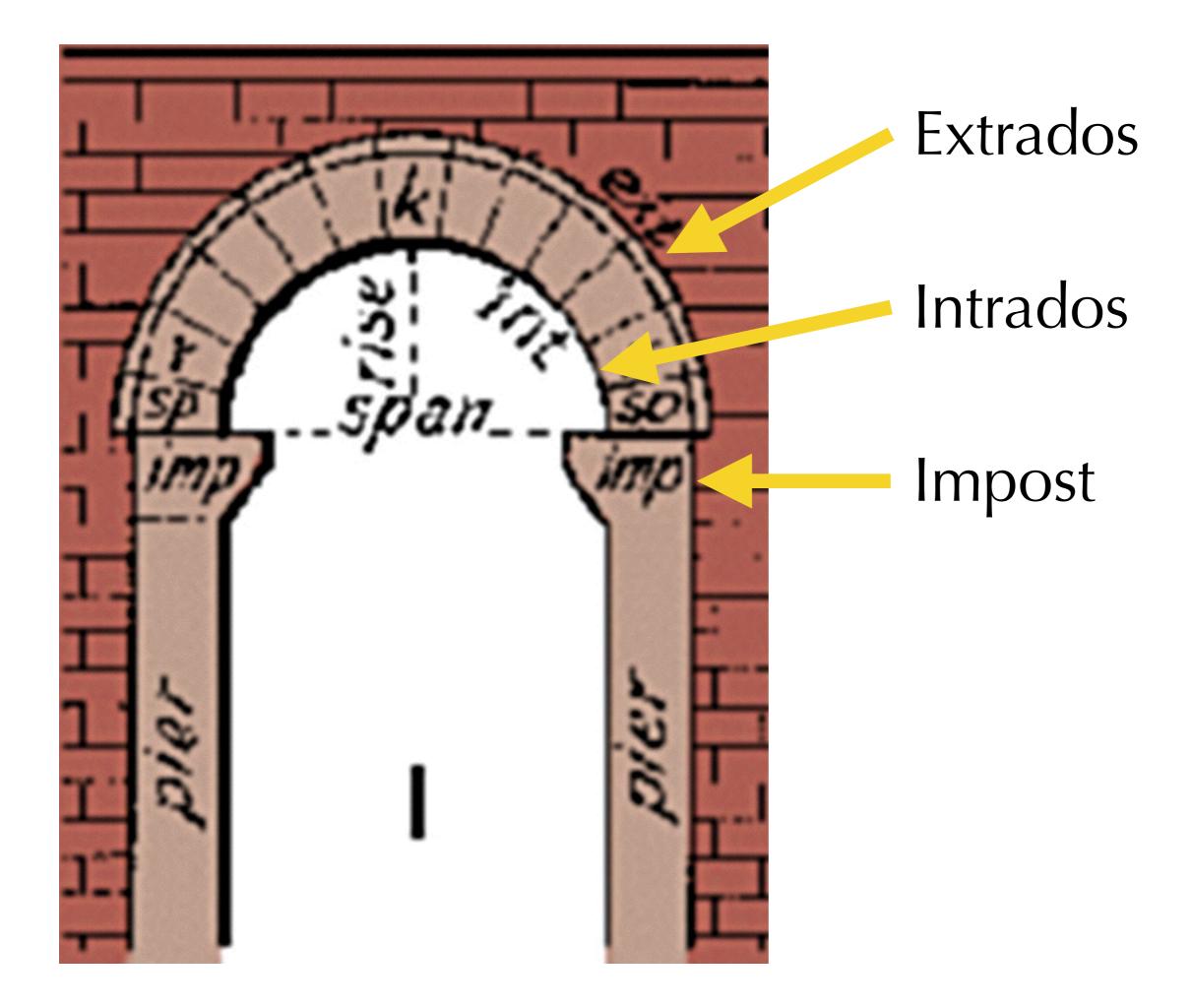
Four-Centered



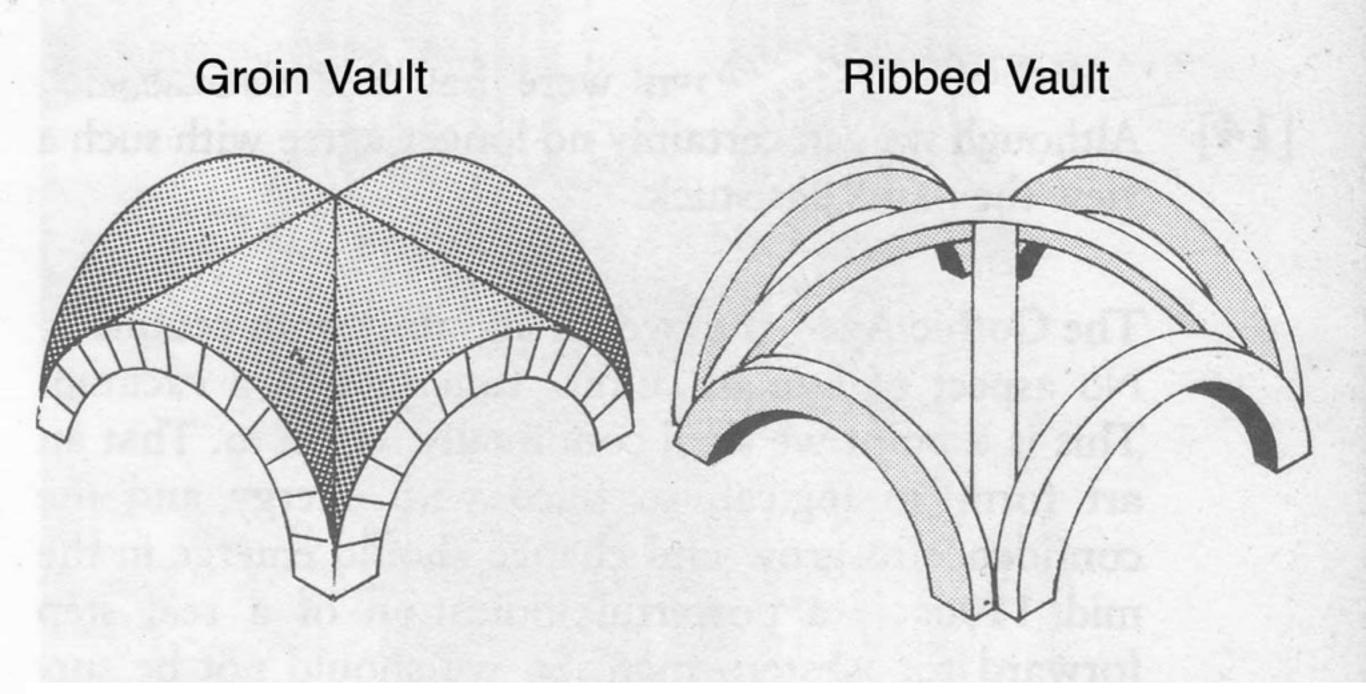


Ogive or Pointed



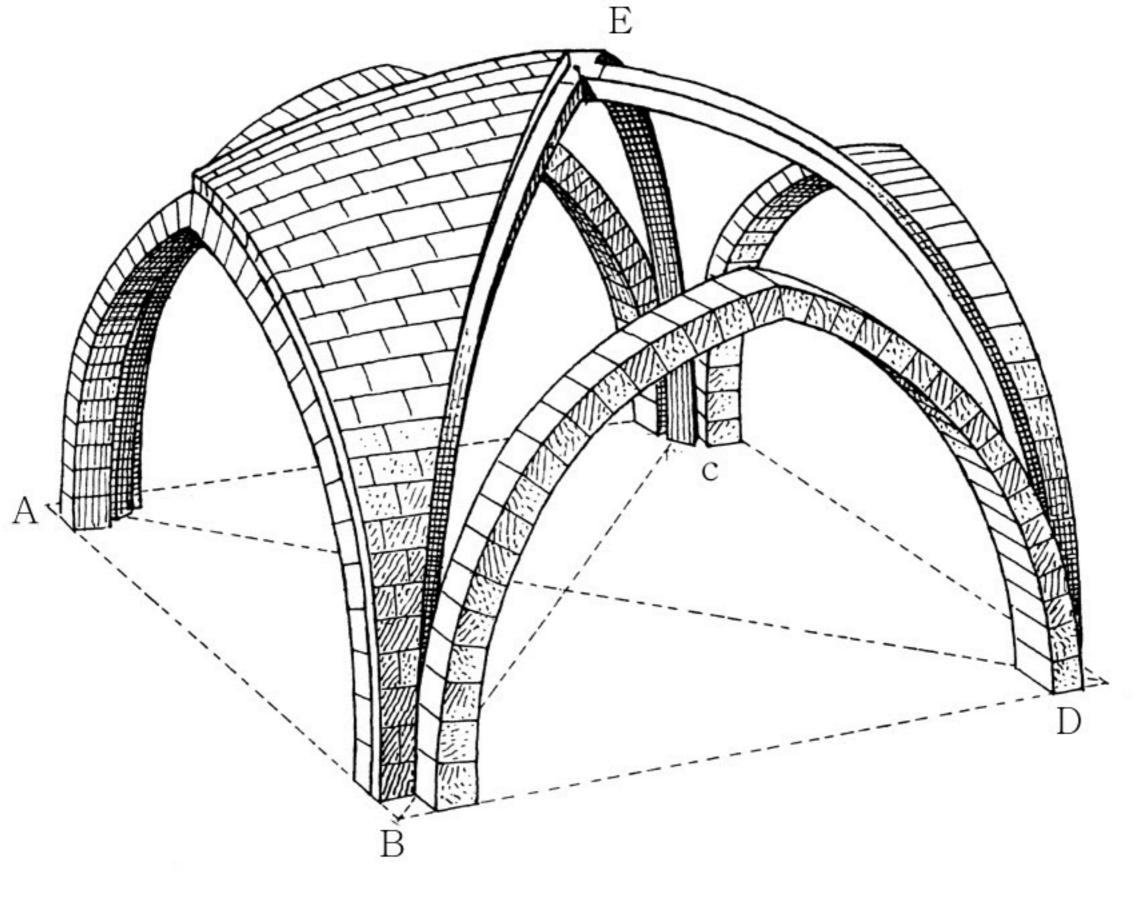


the definition of a *groin* is the intersection of two cylindrical volumes

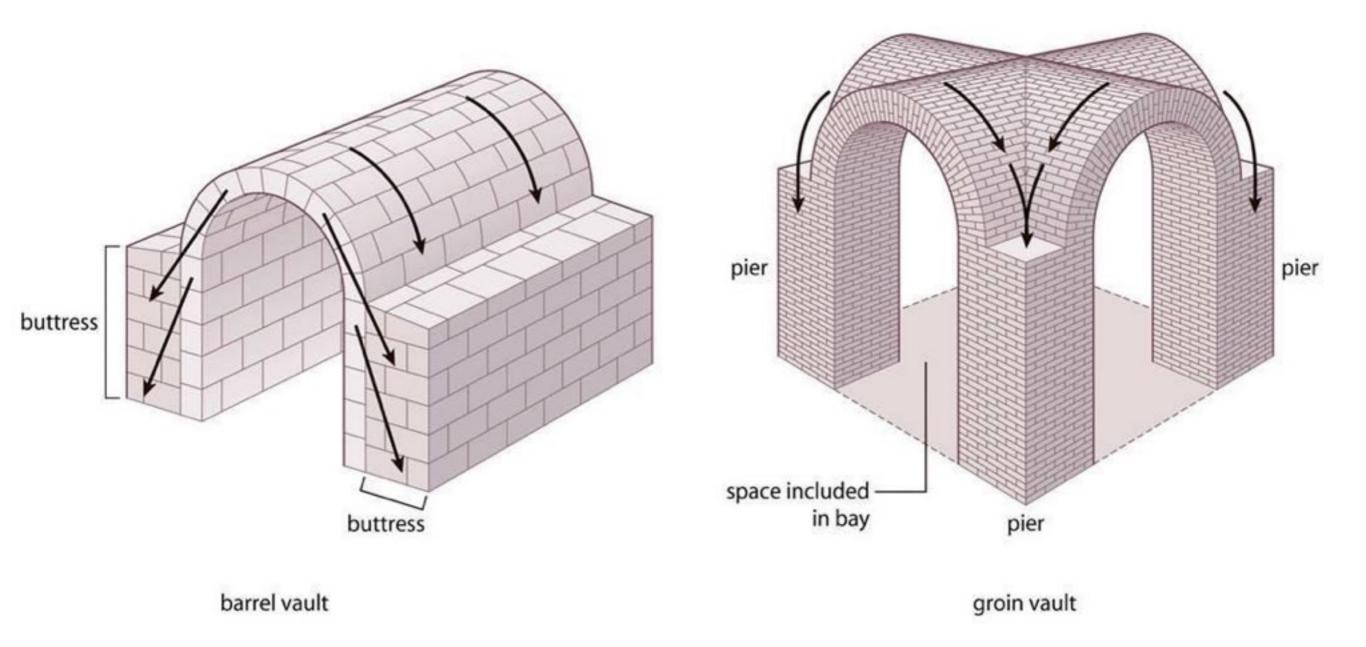


The intersection of two *barrel vaults* gives us a *groin vault*.

If the structural forces are directed through ribs, and the in-between spaces are made of thinner stones, this creates the *ribbed groin vault*



ribbed groin vault



Based on the movement of structural forces one can see that *groin vaults* or *ribbed groin vaults* create more opportunity for fenestration than a simple barrel vault **Ribbed groin vaults** allow walls to go higher because of less weight

As the walls open up because of this and the use of *groin vaults* and *ogive windows* (taller than previous half-round) the walls are in need of more structural resistance or reaction.

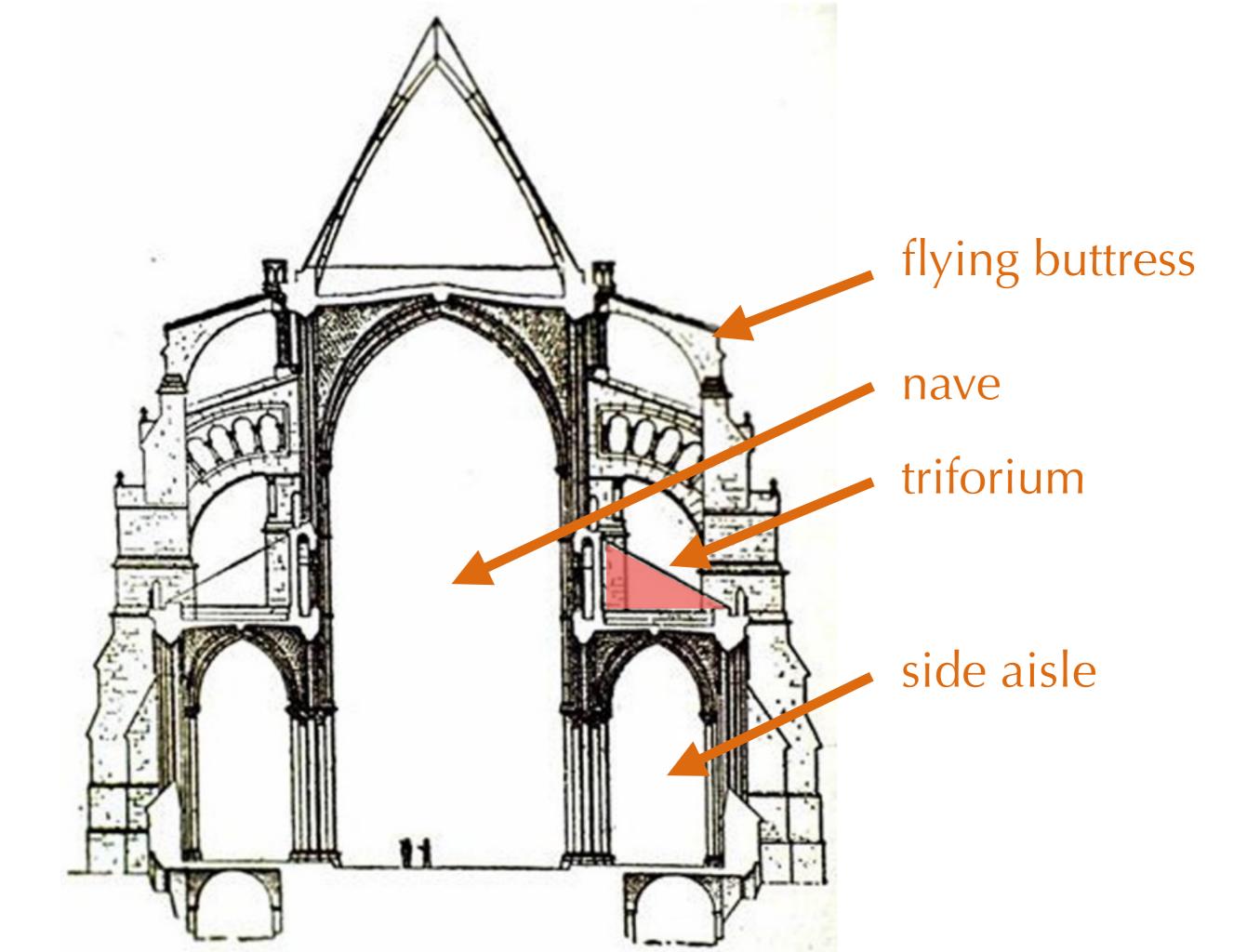
Hence, the buttresses are made larger and deeper and are positioned farther away from the wall itself — they are known as **flying buttresses**

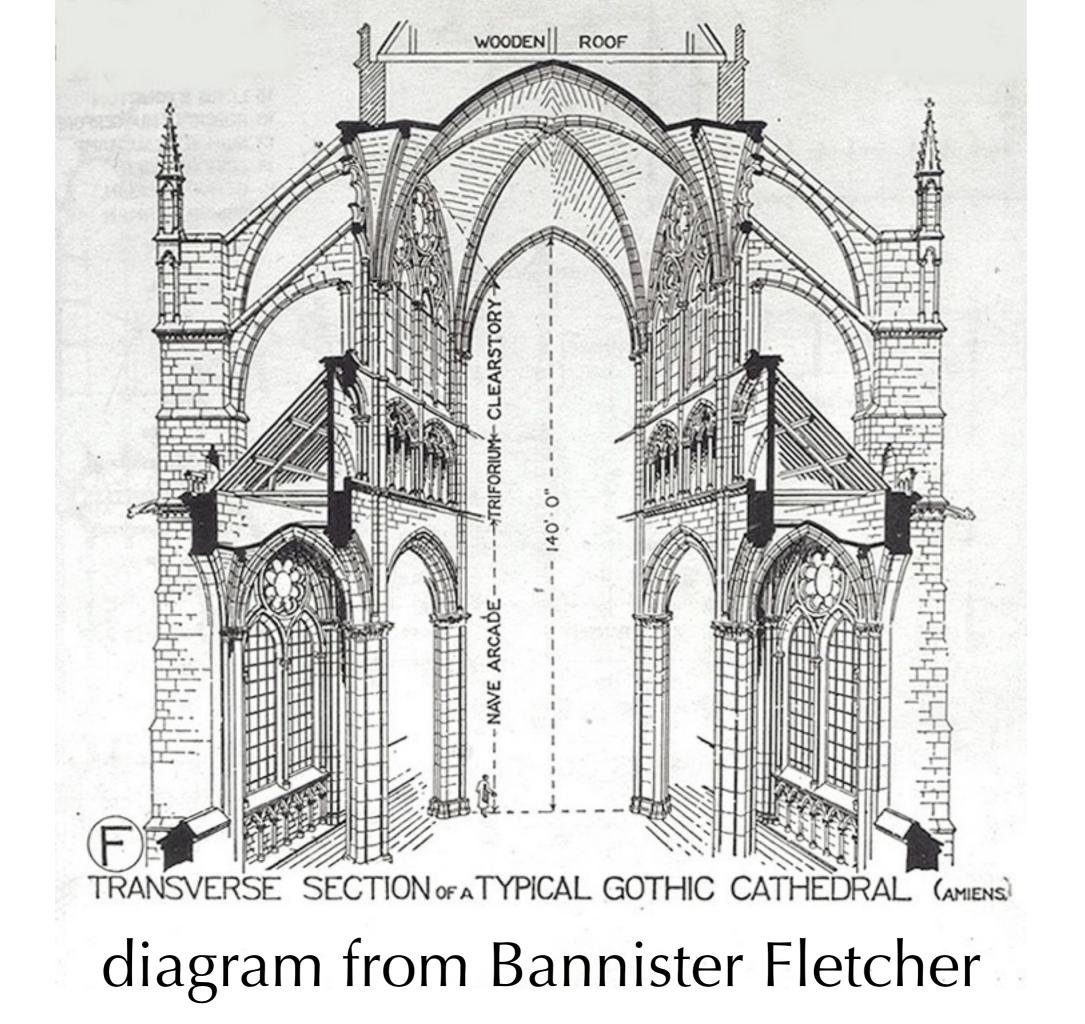
GOING HIGHER IN GOTHIC CATHEDRALS

The Content (the idea itself) Achieving the **heavenly light** also known **Lux Nova**

The Form (how the idea is manifest)

Technology such as *innovative vaulting* to achieve lighter construction, which leads to *increased fenestration*, this fenestration is expressed as *stained glass*, and additional support in the form of *flying buttresses*





triforium and clerestory lighting above

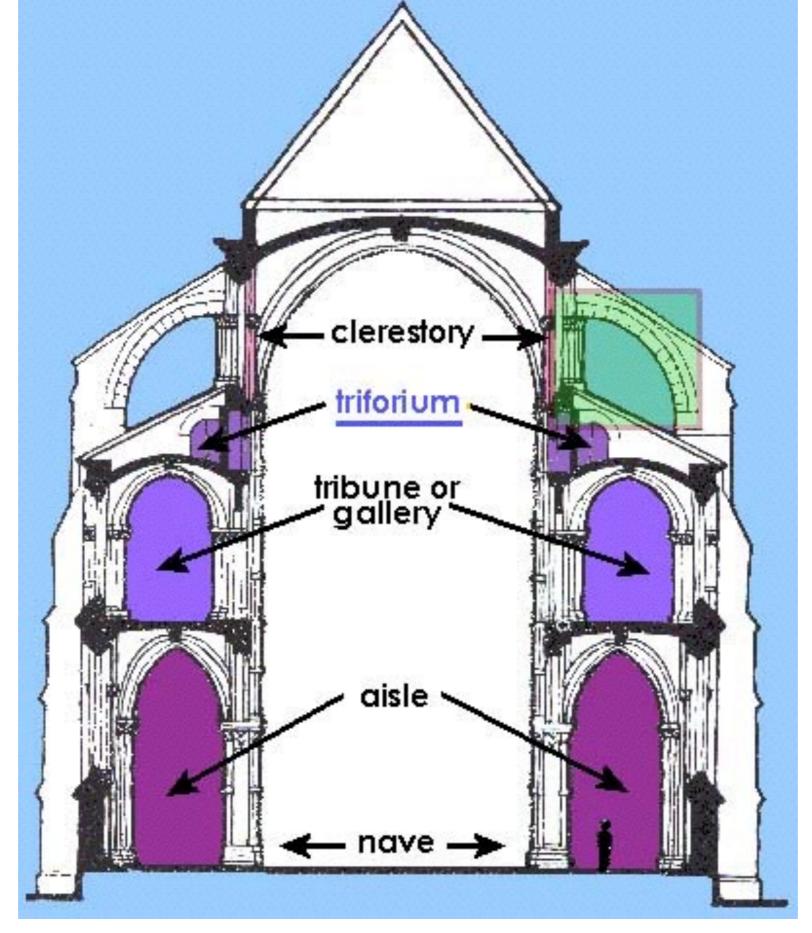
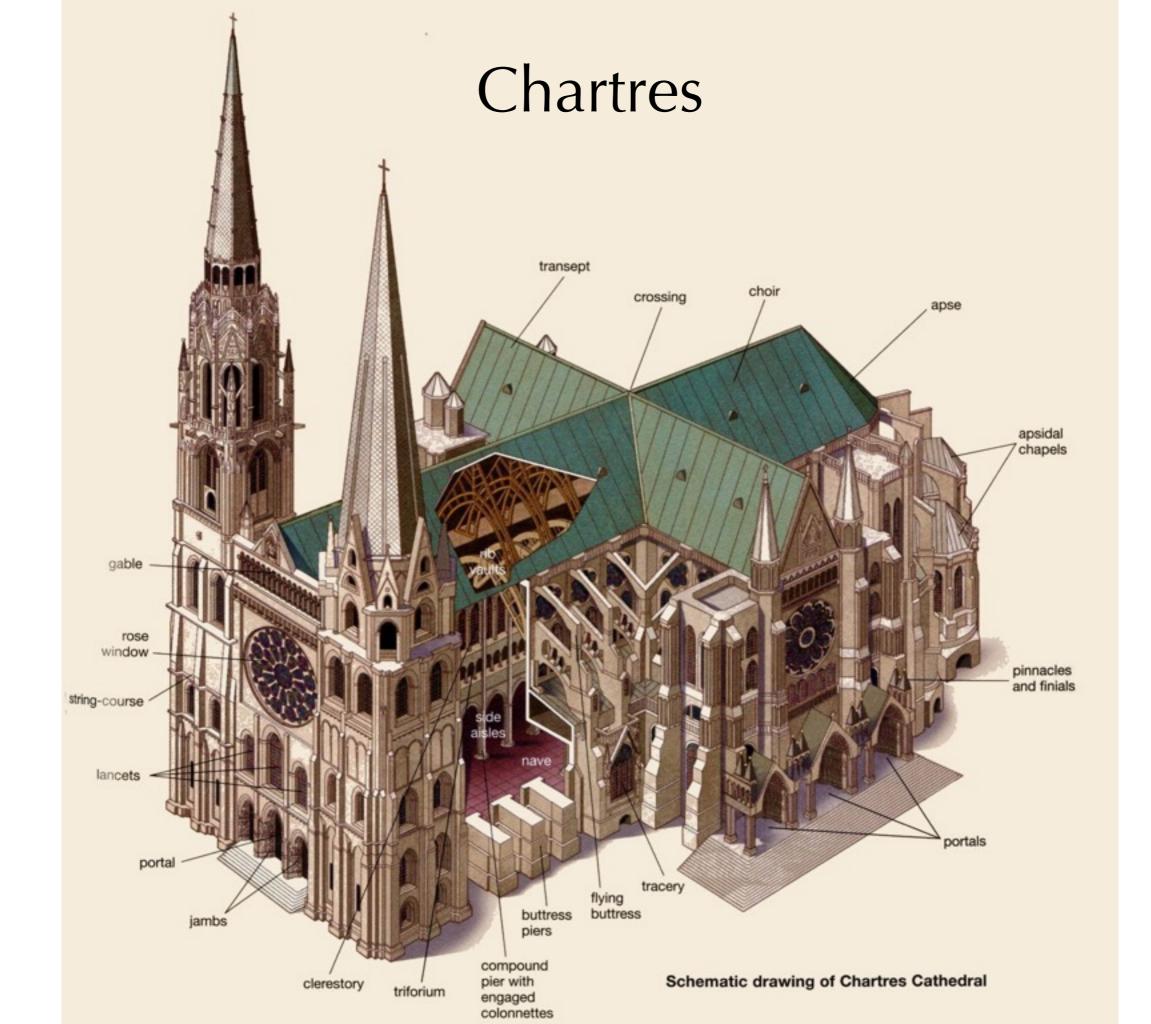


diagram of Laon Cathedral



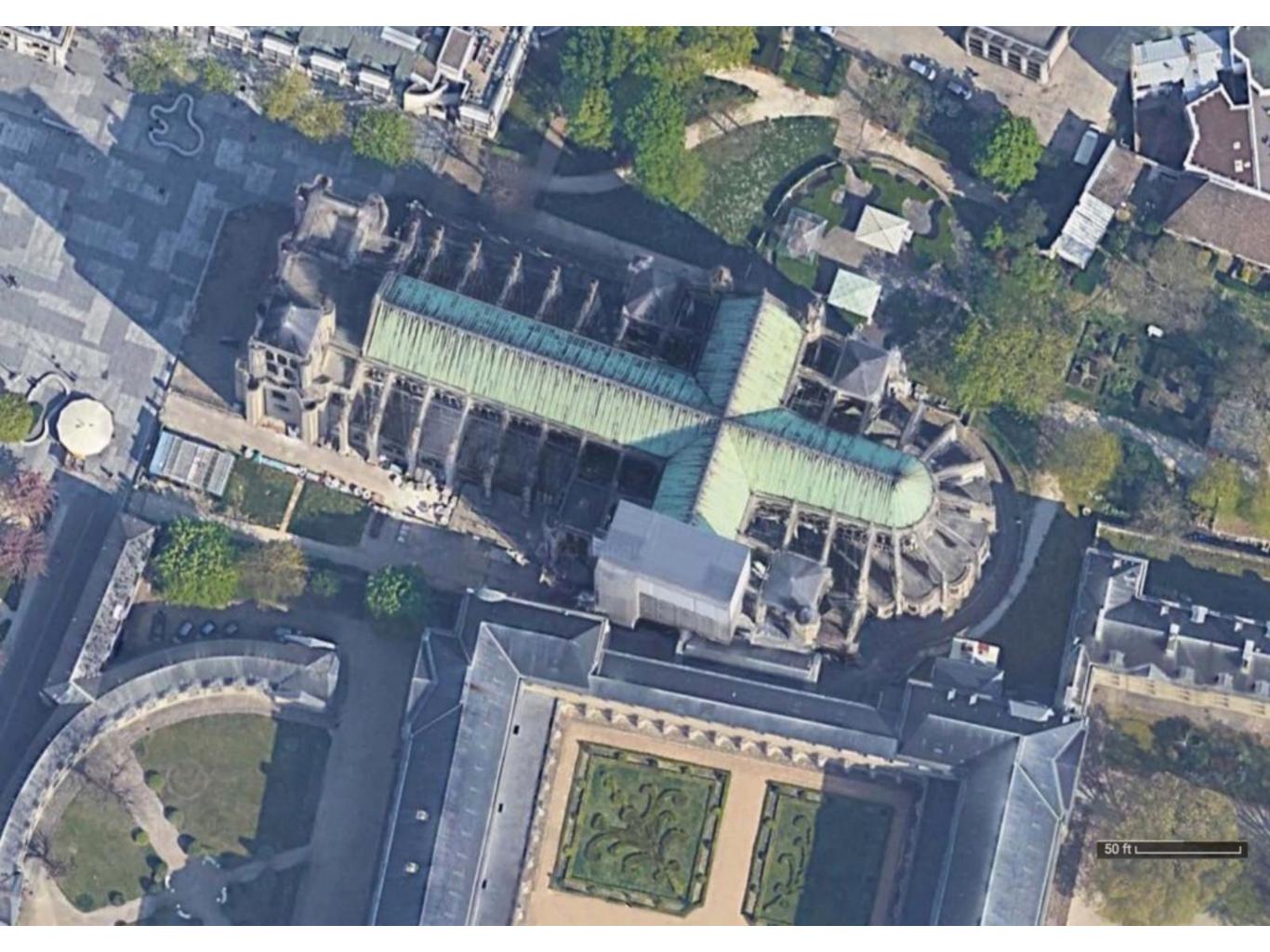
Cathedral versus **Basilica** (both are Christian *churches*)

Cathedral means that it contains the seat of a Bishop (known as a *cathedra*)

Basilica means that the Pope has designated this church as historically or spiritually important outside of Rome — Basilicas in Rome were transformed from pagan usage — *Basilica* is the highest order of church and some of them also may be the seat of a bishop - Cathedral

Basilica of Saint-Denis

- north of Paris
- burial place of the Kings
- first use of all the Gothic elements
- completed about **1144**





Abbot Suger (**1081-1151**) The brains behind Saint-Denis and the Gothic

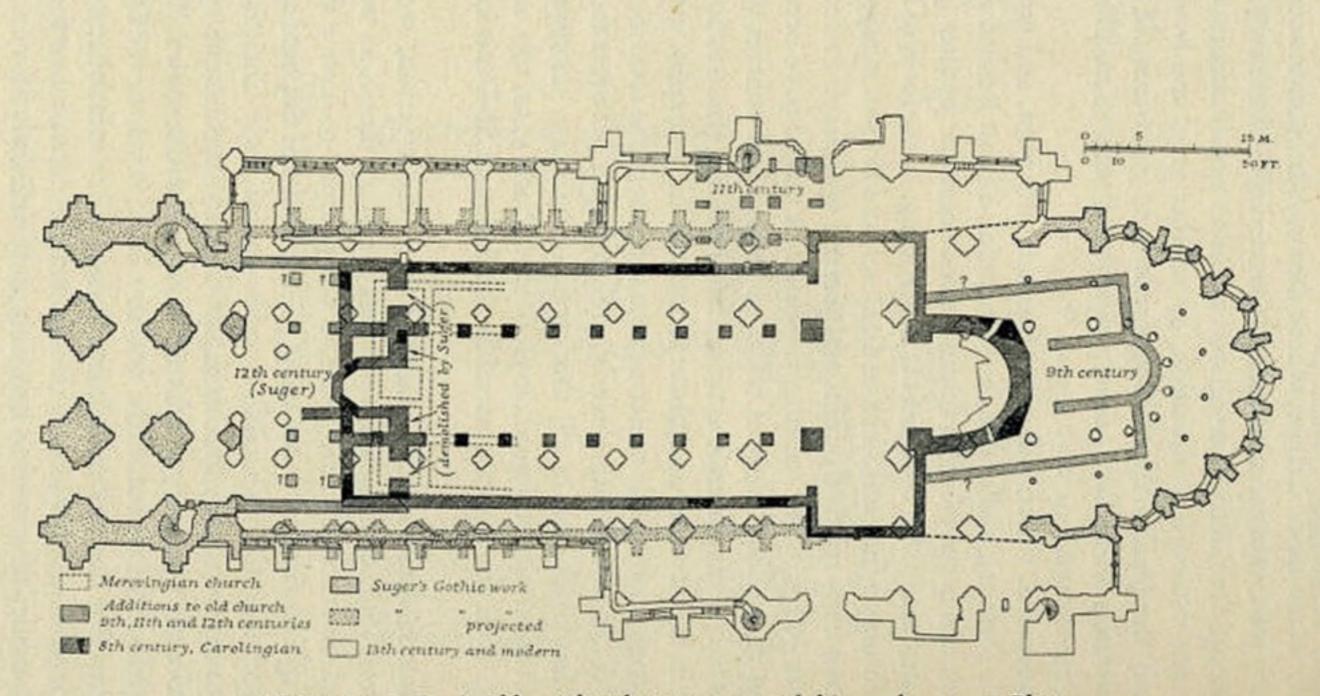
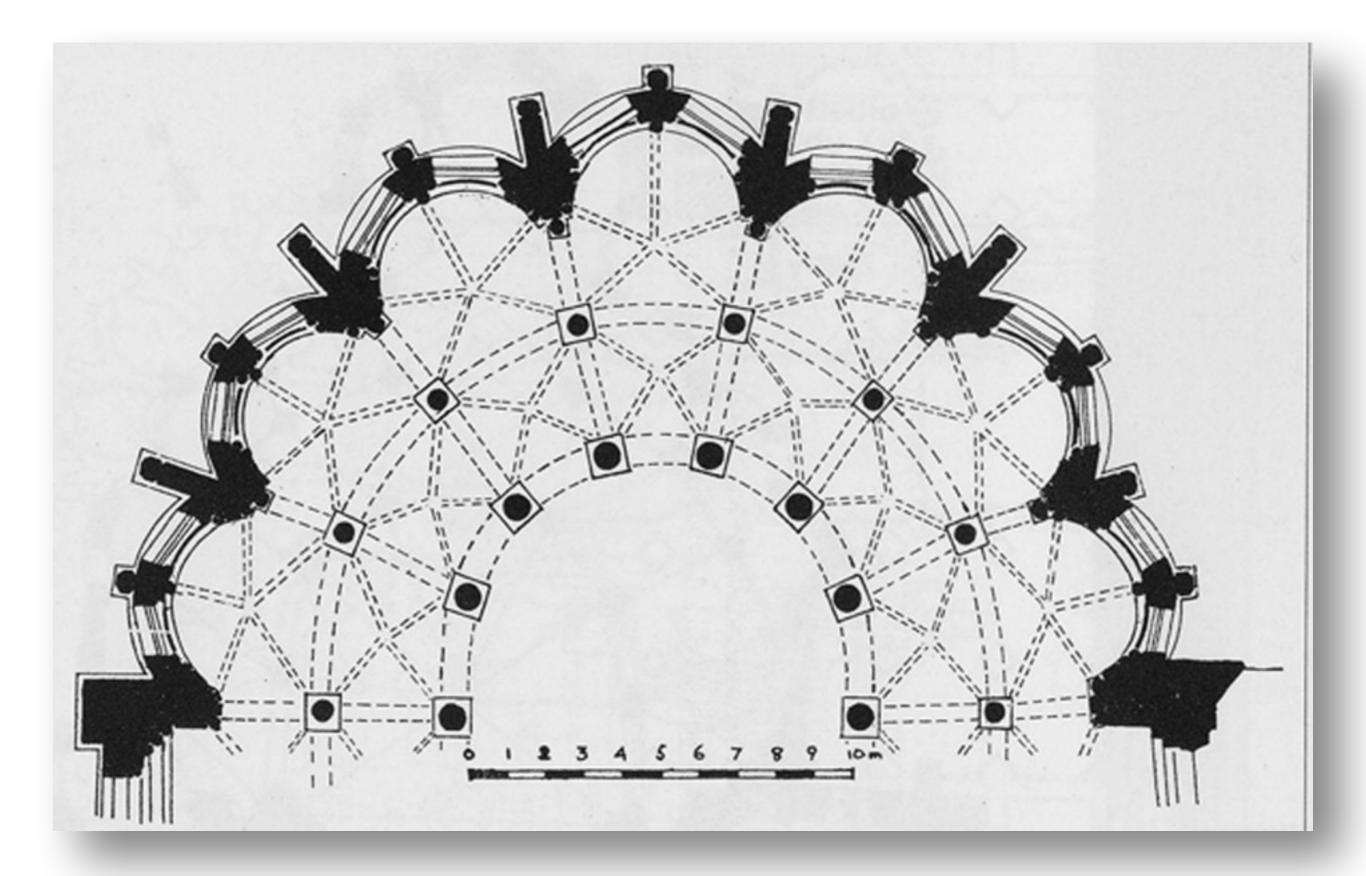


Figure 80. St-Denis Abbey Church, c. 1135-44 and thirteenth century. Plan

changes made by Abbot Suger



choir and **apse chevet** in lower level distance



plan of the chevet at Saint-Denis





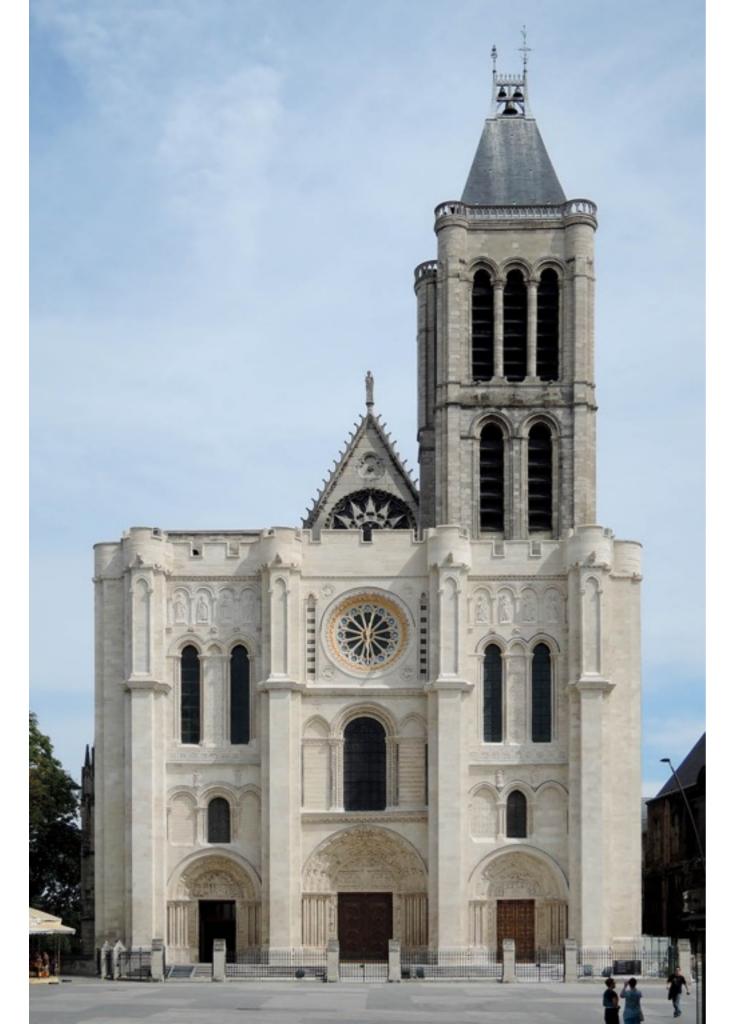
rose window or *wheel window* in the *transept*

Abbot Suger first to add the wheel window



North tower dismantled in 1845 after a tornado

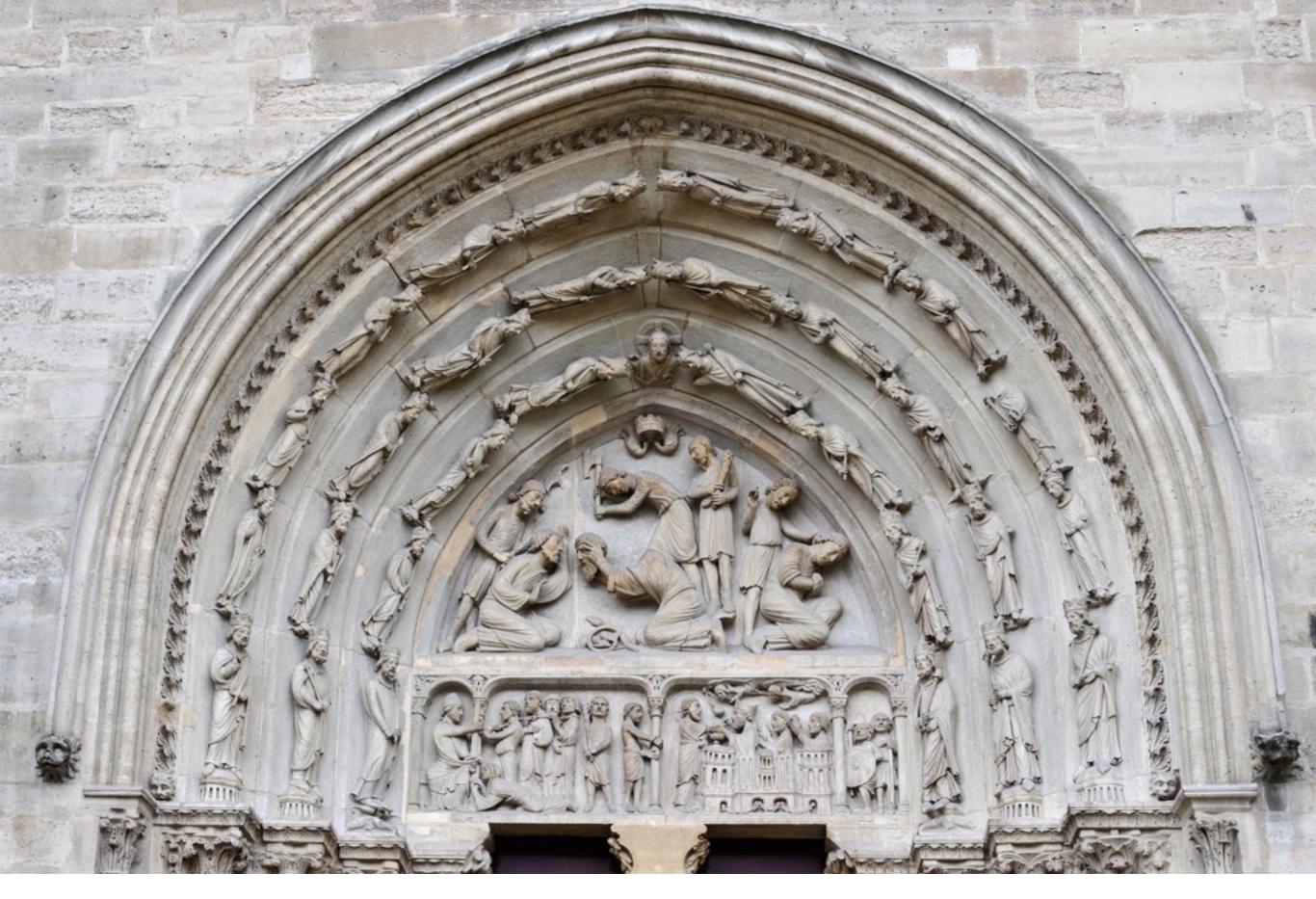
This photo obviously predates 1845



Saint-Denis west facade

note **wheel** *window* (rose *window*)

note that windows are round-top



archivolt at Saint-Denis

Saint-Denis is the burial place of kings

Henri II and Catherine de Medici

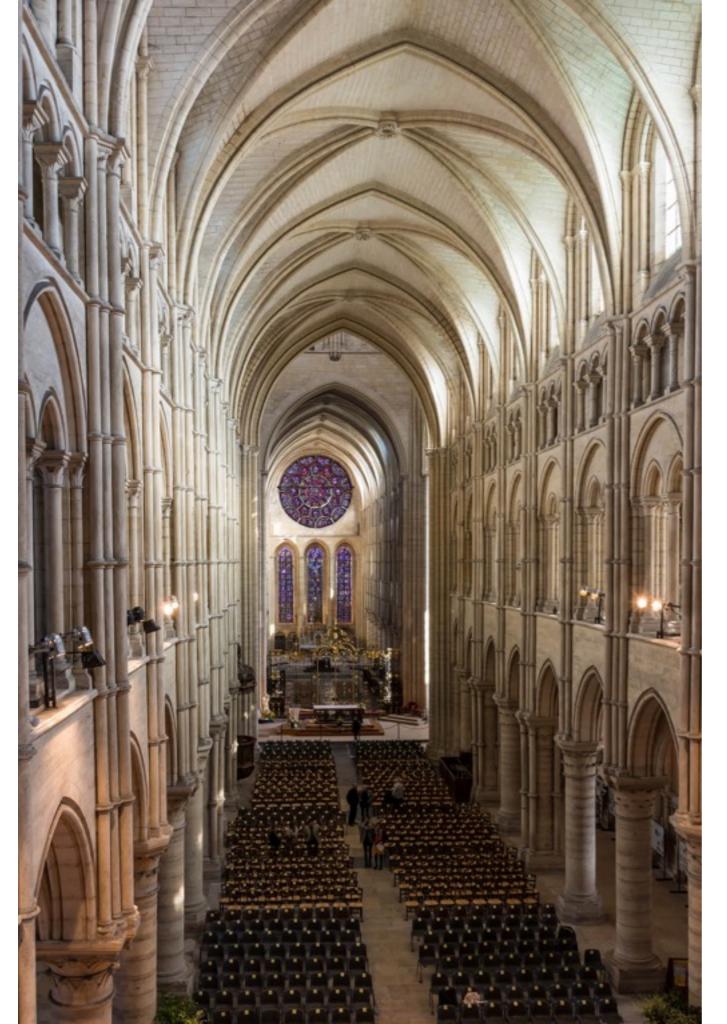
Effigies of Henri II and Catherine de Medici



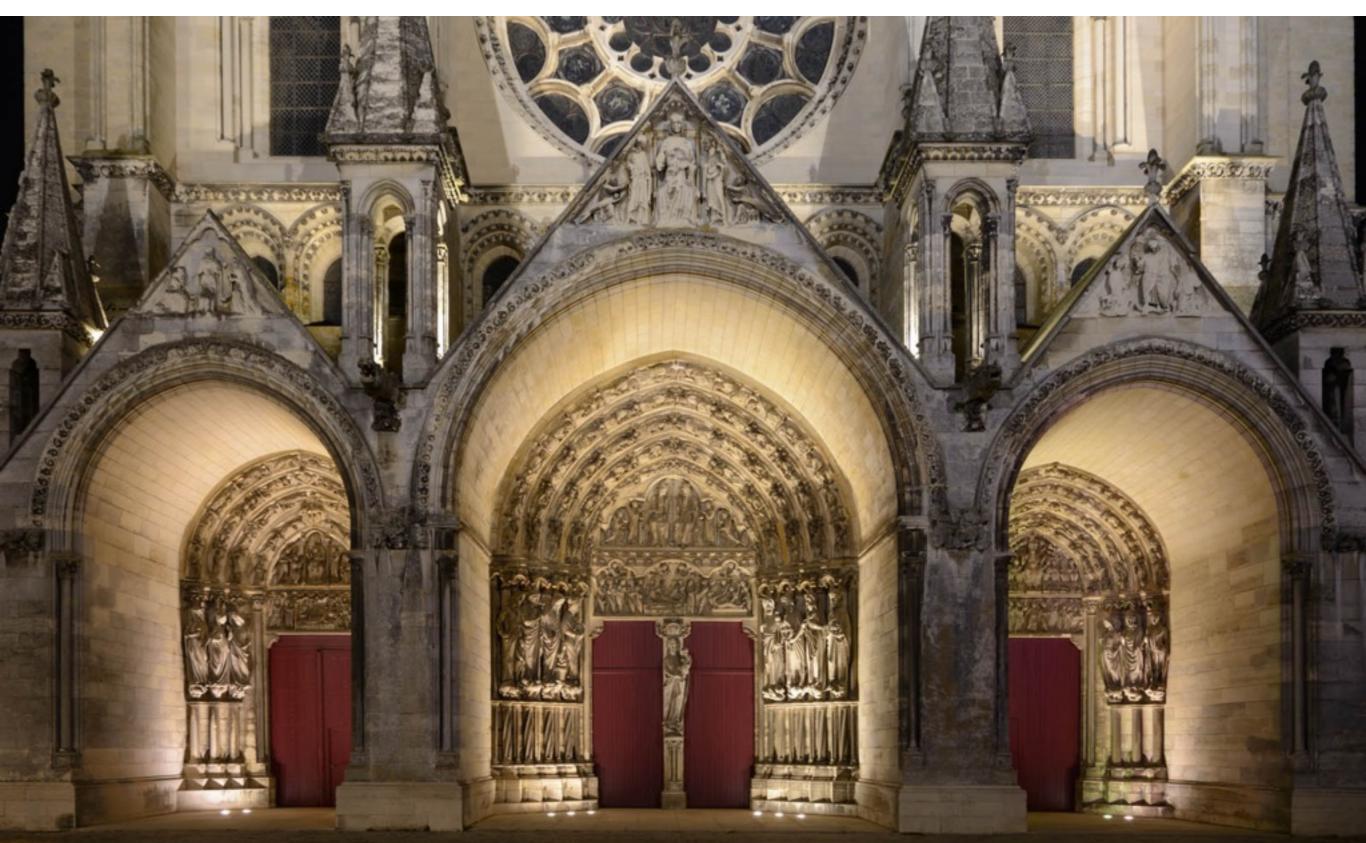
Laon Cathédral

50+ years after Saint-Denis completed c **1215**

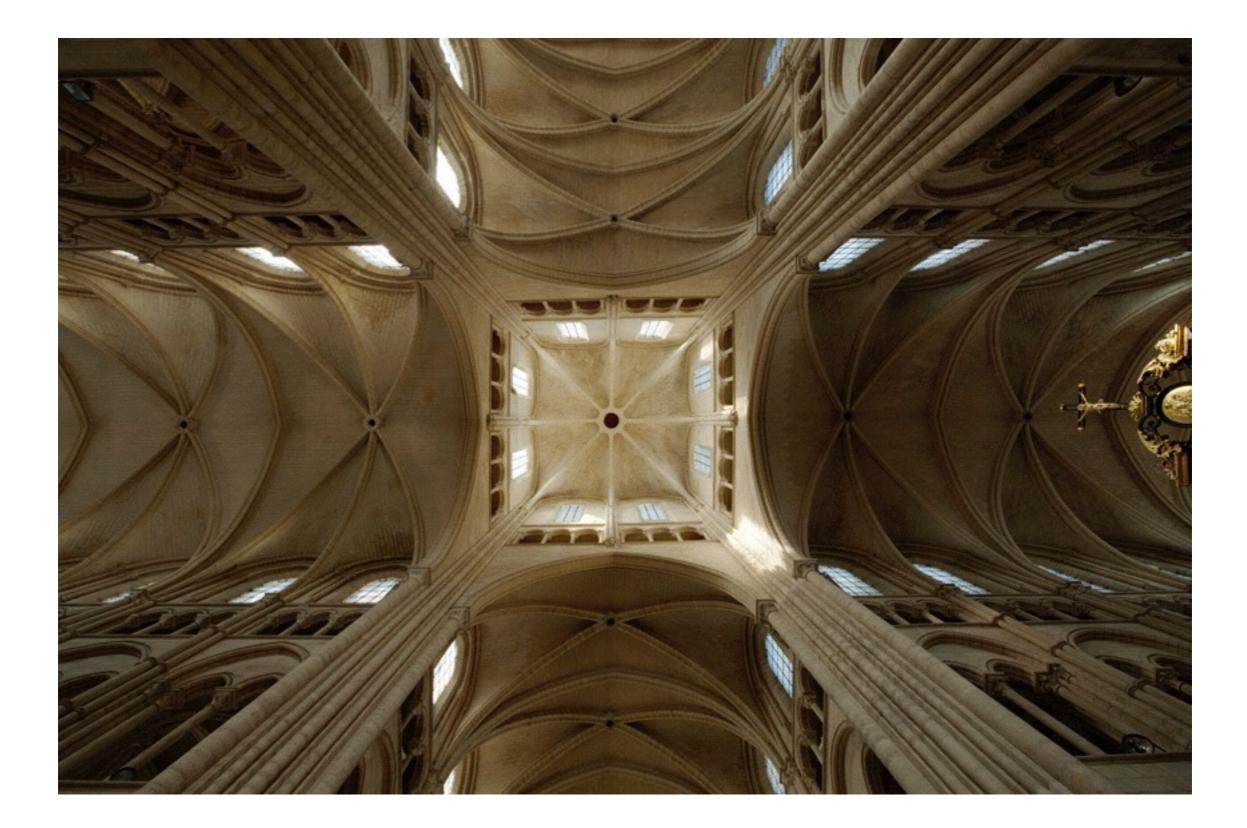
early gothic



Laon Cathedral



Laon Cathédral portals have deep archivolts



Looking straight up at the *crossing*



Laon

upper tower pavilions turn 45°

bulls



Notre Dame of Paris

completed 1260

Notre Dame of Paris

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Notre Dame of Paris

restored in the 1840s begins concept of *preservation*

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