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Christian Humanism,  
Catholic Reform ca. 1500**

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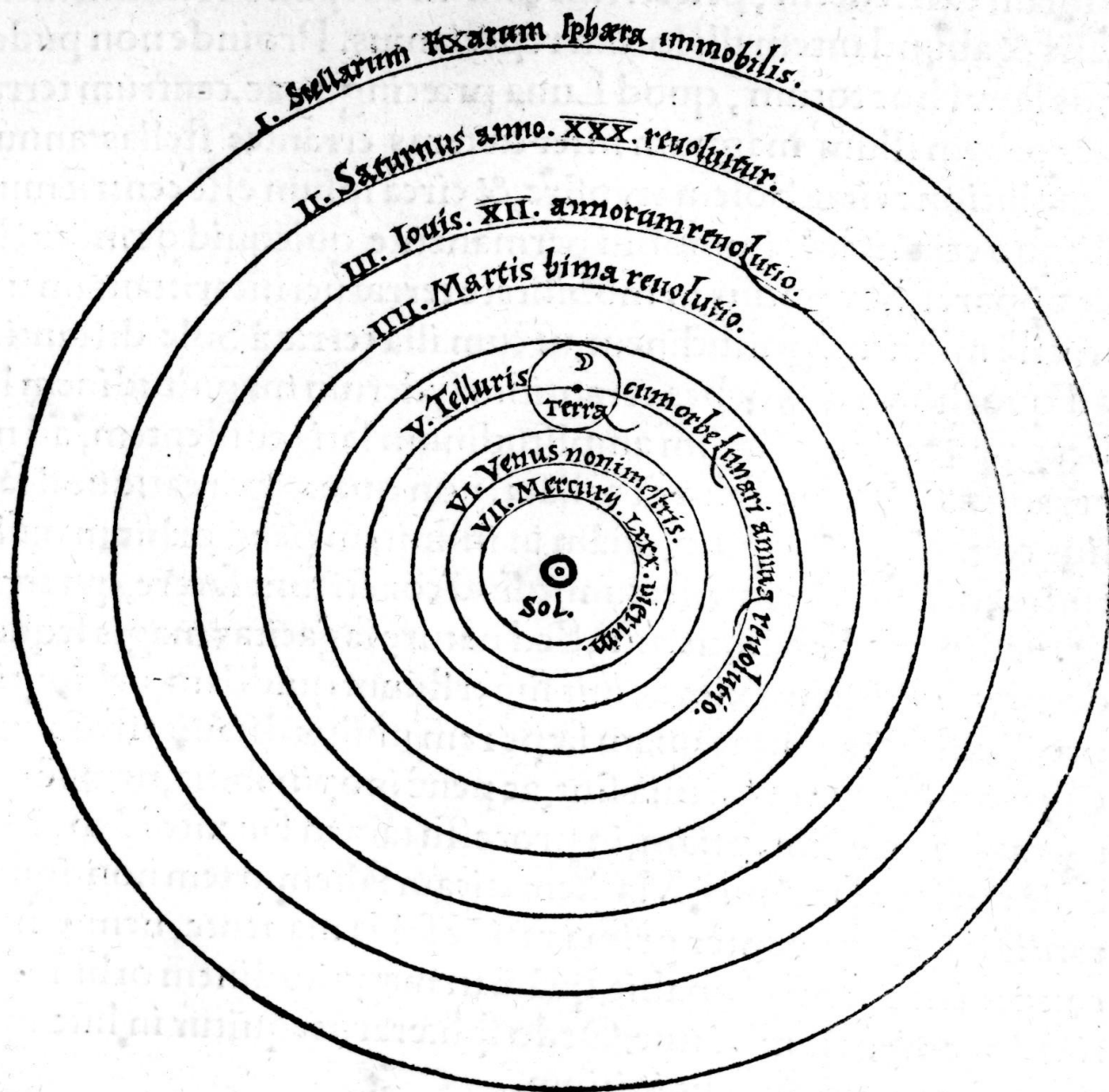
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Pope Boniface VIII, issuing *Unam Sanctum* in 1302.

The tomb of the humanist  
Leonardo Bruni, 1370-1444.  
Basilica of Santa Croce, Florence



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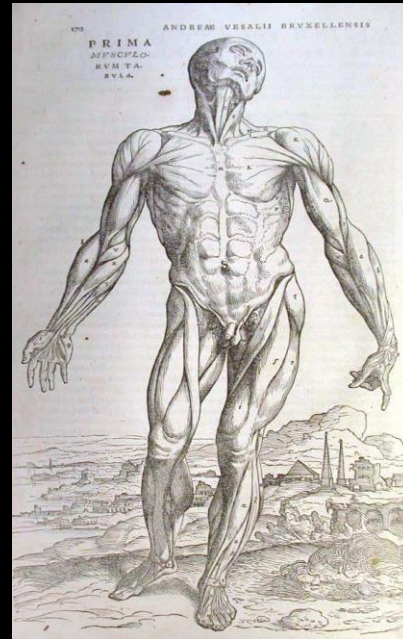


N. Copernicus,  
*On the Revolutions  
of the Heavenly  
Spheres*, 1543.

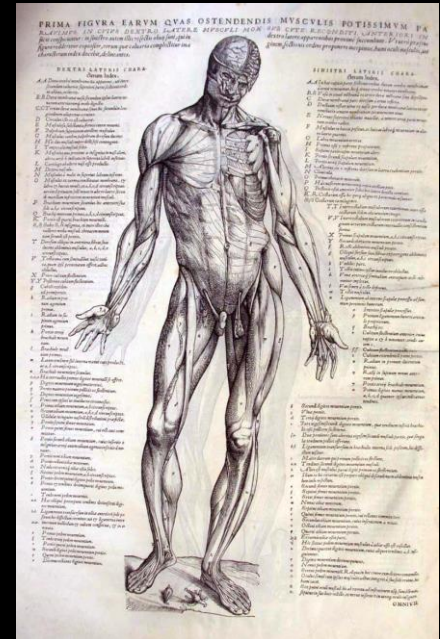


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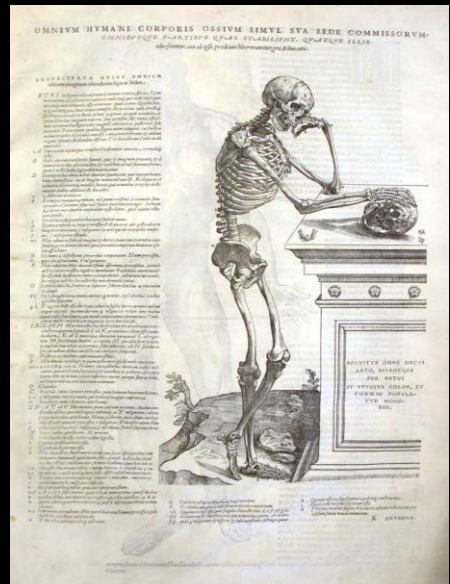


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Vesalius,  
On the  
Fabrication of  
The Human  
Body, 1543.



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The sale of indulgences. On a pole, in the form of a cross, hangs the papal authorization for the sale; on the ground lie scales; two sacks of coins show the profit. (*Woodcut by Jörg Breu the Elder, Geisberg, 353*)

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## The sale of indulgences

Johannes Tetzelus Dominicaner Mönch/mit seinen  
 Komischen Ablasgram/welchen er im Jahr Christi 1517. in Deutschen  
 landen zu markt gebracht/wie er in der Kirchen zu Pirn in seinem  
 Vaterland abgemahlet ist.

Ihr deutschen mercket mich recht/  
 Des heillgen Vaters Papstes Knecht/  
 Bin ich/vnd bringeuch jst allein/  
 Zehn tausent vnd neun hundert carein/  
 Gnad vnd Ablas von einer Sünd/  
 Vor euch/ewer Eltern/Weib vnd Kind/  
 Sol ein jeder gewehret sein  
 So viel ihr leg etns Kästelein/  
 So bald der Sülden im Becken klinget/  
 Im huy die Seel im Himmel springt!



Satire on the  
 sale of indulgences

Caricature of Tetzel's sale of indulgences.  
 The German verse recounts the famous verse attributed to Tetzel:

As soon as the coin in the coffer rings,  
 the soul into heaven springs.

(Lutherhalle, Wittenberg)







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**Hans Holbein the Younger,  
*Erasmus*, 1523**



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**Albrecht Dürer, *Erasmus*, 1526**



Hans Holbein the Younger,  
*Sir Thomas More*, 1527

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Holbein  
the Younger,  
*The  
Ambassadors*,  
1533

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Raphael, *Pope Julius II*, 1511-12



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