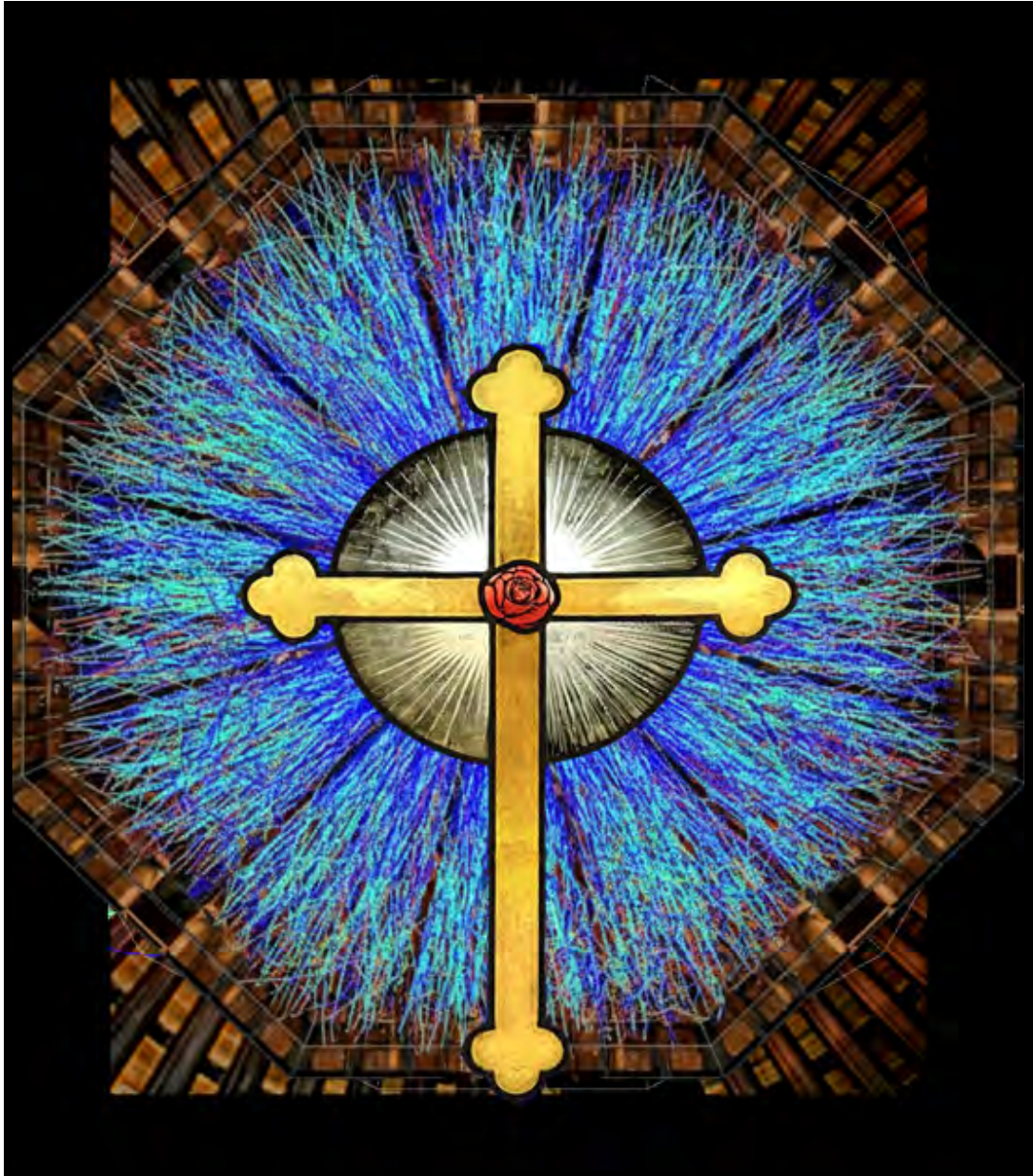


# INTRODUCTION

In this issue of the *Rosicrucian Digest*, we explore the mysteries of consciousness, science, and mysticism from a Rosicrucian perspective.



*A rose cross sits atop a visualization of the result of a full-energy collision between gold ions at Brookhaven National Laboratory's Relativistic Heavy Ion Collider, as captured by the Solenoidal Tracker At RHIC (STAR) detector. The experiment recreated the quark-gluon plasma that existed throughout the universe in the first few microseconds after the Big Bang.*

