

Locus No. L528

# Archaeological Context

Locus Status: closed Locus Type: fill Field Manager: Schuler Area: Northeast Church: Opening Date: 17 July Opening Height: 130.93 Closing Date: 20 July Closing Height: 130.73

### **Locus Location**

General Description of Borders:

between F516 and F517 at west end of exposed sarcophagus

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Below	Above	North	South	West	East	Identical
F516	F517	L507	L529	Base of chancel screen	Sarcophagus	

	X coordinate	Y coordinate
North East	523.20	606.45
South West	524.10	605.87

#### **General Description and Soil Analysis**

Soil in L528 is redder than others cited and compacted. It underlays the plaster base of F516.

### **Chronology of Excavation**

- 17 July
  - In Square B3
    - Starting elevation = 130.93
    - Ending elevation = 130.83
    - Removed W514 west of the tomb. The stone wall was set on the floor. The chancel screen channel and W514 were plastered together and over (chunks of plaster filled the channel and adhered to the stones of the wall)
    - A marble facing for the sarcophagus on the west side was damaged and tilted away. Under the plaster covering it, a cross

inscription was revealed. As with the cross inscription on the north face, the cross is "teutonic" in form, each of the arms flaring to points. Small disks or dots are inscribed just beyond each point.

- Some loose plaster on the NW corner of the sarcophagus was removed revealing a sarcophagus with a lid and box
  - Measurements
    - Cover is 23 cm thick

20 July

- In Square B3
  - Starting elevation = 130.83
  - $\circ$  Ending elevation = 130.73
  - Cleared L528 west of tomb to the level of F516

#### **Pottery and Small Finds**

## Architectural Items

17 July

- From Square B3
  - o 065 Inscription on marble slab