

# sacred spaces

Religious architecture that unites both spiritual  
and structural integrity



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ARCHITECTURE

For the past decade, Doyle | Coffin Architecture has been one of the more prolific designers of houses of worship in the Northeast. Our structures combine traditional styles with the latest modern materials and technology to create sanctuaries that are splendid, inspiring, cost-efficient and enduring.

**supporting spiritual life** With decades of experience designing churches and the facilities needed to support the operations of a spiritual community, Doyle | Coffin structures and additions fit well with existing places of worship and educational and administrative buildings. Because of our expertise, we are well-versed in the physical and liturgical requirements for sacred spaces.

**distinctive design & service** Our focus is on distinctive architecture supported by professional, comprehensive and smart client services. Our designs reflect a commitment to excellence in the planning and execution phases, with an in-depth knowledge of the construction market along with the use of appropriate technology and management skills to meet client quality standards and promote peace of mind.

**collaborative approach** We work directly with parish leaders and project committee members to meet their objectives, provide alternatives and guide all involved through the design development process to project completion. We take great pride in understanding that key decision makers in the religious community may have a variety of important needs, and our commitment is to help them realize their goals by creating a supportive project environment that is responsive to all constituents.



# unified

**Saint Pius**  
**Roman Catholic Church**  
*Faith Center Expansion*

A 14,000 sf expansion adds prayer and rectory/office space to a 600-seat church and two-story school transforming parish grounds into a cohesive campus. Direct access to each element within the main building gives parishioners a sense of community.





# peaceful

## **Saint Pius**

### **Roman Catholic Church**

#### *Faith Center Expansion*

Adjacent to the chapel is a prayer garden accented by grass islands with trees and religious statues. New entry points allow parishioners of all ages easy access to the garden and church.



accessible

### **Saint Pius**

### **Roman Catholic Church**

*Faith Center Expansion*

The 100-seat chapel features a skylight-lit nave and round stained glass portals above the altar. The overall design project included an analysis of the site's features and functionality and the relationship of programmed spaces.



# inviting



## **St. Luke**

### **Roman Catholic Church**

*Church Entry and Baptistry  
Expansion*

A 3,000 square foot narthex addition features curved architectural details and expansive windows that cast natural light into the central vestibule.



# welcoming

**St. Luke**

**Roman Catholic Church**

*Church Entry and Baptistry  
Expansion*

The circular baptistery topped by a light-filled oculus is an uplifting setting to welcome new members into the community of faith.

# growing



**St. Edward the Confessor  
Roman Catholic Church**

*New Worship Space  
and Renovation*

A brand new full-featured  
worship space expands  
a parish campus with a  
converted colonial style  
masonry church at its hub.





fitting

**St. Edward the Confessor  
Roman Catholic Church**

*New Worship Space  
and Renovation*

A converted, colonial style masonry church and a brand new, full-featured worship space are integral to a parish campus.



# faithful

**St. Edward the Confessor  
Roman Catholic Church**

*New Worship Space  
and Renovation*

A blend of old and new  
preserves the traditional  
and keeps it practical and  
enduring.

A wide-angle photograph of the interior of Saint Matthew Roman Catholic Church. The space is characterized by a high, vaulted ceiling with exposed wooden beams and a warm, golden light. In the foreground, a wooden altar with a white cloth and a microphone stands on a raised platform. To the left, a large crucifix is mounted on a brick wall, flanked by two vases of red flowers. In the background, a large glass window with colorful stained glass panels allows natural light to enter. The overall atmosphere is open and vibrant.

# renewing

**Saint Matthew**  
**Roman Catholic Church**  
*Church and Supporting  
Facility Expansion*

An open and vibrant space  
washed with natural light and  
newly constructed community  
spaces breathes new life into  
this 1959 church.





pleasing

**Saint Matthew**  
**Roman Catholic Church**  
*Church and Supporting  
Facility Expansion*

Simple lines, diffused  
light and vibrant colors  
create an environment  
suitable for contemplation  
and celebration.



# soaring

**Saint Mary  
Roman Catholic Church**

*Church and Supporting  
Facility Expansion*

Upgraded, state-of-the-art facilities and a new 16,000 square foot gymnasium complement and enhance parish life.



# aspiring



**Saint Francis de la Sale  
Roman Catholic Church**

*New Worship Space*

A tall, gabled roofline, expansive interior, textured materials and indirect lighting add to the character of this 10,000 square foot shingle style church.





strengthening

**Saint Francis de la Sale  
Roman Catholic Church**

*New Worship Space*

A tower of natural materials fortifies the design of this new church as well as the spirit of its parishioners.



comforting

**Saint Francis de la Sale  
Roman Catholic Church**  
*New Construction*

The brilliance of traditional stained glass is a focal point in a sacred environment that comforts and sustains the human spirit.





engaging

**Saint Francis de la Sale  
Roman Catholic Church**

*New Worship Space*

Natural woods, a complementary color palette and architectural ceiling create a comfortable space where parishioners can practice their faith.





# enlightening

**St. Andrew's  
Lutheran Church**  
*New Worship Space*

The natural cedar shingle and local field stone construction creates a sense of permanence in this 200-seat church, which respects the scale of the residential neighborhood.

# sheltering



**St. Andrew's  
Lutheran Church**  
*New Worship Space*

The exterior and interior architectural detailing is simple yet strong with wood trusses that cross at each bay and reinforce the main axis of the church. The shingle style is typical of the region.





# illuminating

**St. Andrew's  
Lutheran Church**  
*New Worship Space*

Dormers located along the nave in the spaces between the trusses let in natural light that plays off the angled ceiling, walls and floors resulting in a dynamic yet contemplative ambiance. The feel of the space changes by season and the light of day.





# fortified

**St. Andrew's  
Lutheran Church**  
*New Worship Space*

In this cruciform design marked by a strong center aisle, the altar becomes a raised island surrounded by a rail that is open at the center. Wooden pews delineate the interior space, and hanging light fixtures add a sturdy aesthetic.



# uplifting

**St. Andrew's  
Lutheran Church**  
*New Worship Space*

The parishioners' gaze is drawn to the altar, the cross at the rood screen which separates the choir from the nave, then to the circular rose window beyond the pipe organ.

Respect for tradition, attention to detail and collaborative client relationships are the foundation of every project we undertake, regardless of scale or type.

Our portfolio reflects significant and inspiring houses of worship as well as harmonious additions and renovations for existing church facilities. In all cases, we strive to exceed our clients' expectations with the most innovative, functional design and service.

We invite you to view our portfolio of religious projects online at [doylecoffinarchitecture.com](http://doylecoffinarchitecture.com)

We would be delighted to answer any questions you may have. Please feel free to contact us at **203.431.6001**. We look forward to speaking with you.

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