

## **PROJECT EXPERIENCE**



Client Name: St. Mary's Church

Architect:
Richard Hurley & Associates

Quantity Surveyor: John Skelly

**Duration:** February 2010 - December 2010

Contract Value: 1.1m

## St. Mary's Church, Haddington Road, Dublin

## Description

St. Mary's Church is a detached gable-fronted Gothic Revival Roman Catholic church, built in 1879. It is a listed and protected structure. It contains a Central nave with side aisles. A four-stage tower is to northwest end of elevation with pinnacles, pointed lancets and windows and statue to front face. The fourth stage of the tower was added in the 1920s. The roof construction is a pitched slate roof with stone cross finials. The external walls are random coursed limestone and rock-faced walls with ashlar limestone dressings.

The refurbishment of the church consisted of removal of all internal fixtures, including alters, statues etc. A recently constructed porch to the east of the church was demolished to create a new entrance to the church. Where the porch was demolished the stone wall was rebuilt to its original state. External out houses including toilets, stores and a boiler house were demolished to make way for the construction of a new Adoration Chapel with toilet blocks, new boiler house, reinforced concrete retaining wall and disabled access ramp.

The construction of the above was a traditional build and contained flat roofs to the boiler house and toilet block while the adoration chapel received a flat roof and a copper domed construction containing a clerestory window.

Internally the church was re-plastered at high level with traditional lime plaster to bring the church back to its original state. The high level timber ceiling and beams were cleaned down and re-varnished and the church was re-painted throughout. New trench heating was installed in the floor throughout the church and the floor was made up of 30mm Portuguese polished white Poseidon Limestone flooring and oak woodblock flooring. New oak internal joinery was fitted throughout the church. Two new frameless glazed entrance porches were constructed to the Narthex and side entrance to the church.



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