

The Parish of All Saints, Ashmont

Historic Church Renovation

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| Location | Dorchester, Massachusetts | Size | 32,700 square feet |
| Architect | John. G. Waite Associates, Architects | Cost | \$50 million |
| Services | MEP/FP | Completed | 2014 |
| Awards | <i>Massachusetts Historical Commission Preservation Award, 2016 Victorian Society in America Preservation Award, 2016</i> | | |



Our engineers provided services in support of a renovation and new addition to this historic church of approximately 30,000 square feet. The parish dates back to 1892 and was the first church designed by notable architect Ralph Adams Cram. The project is 36 CFR 67 Compliant.

Phase I of the project included the restoration and rehabilitation of the exterior envelope, the replacement of the slate and sheet metal roofing, the repointing of the Quincy granite façade, and the restoration of all stained glass windows. New building systems were also incorporated. The scope of Phase I went a long way to restoring the historic church, while at the same time preserving one of the country's finest collections of Gothic Revival religious art housed within its walls.

Phase II provided for a small addition to the church building to accommodate a new elevator and entry to the parish hall. New stairs replaced the complicated network of stairs installed when the parish hall was added in 1907. The elevator provides ADA compliant accessibility to the hall. Throughout this extensive construction, the parish continued to use the church building.



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