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Letter of Reference

Re: Tektonica Studio Architects
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*Blessed Sarament Roman Catholic Church Expansion Project
Stowe, Vermont 2004-2005*

Having completed our expansion project, it is appropriate that we provide a letter of reference to Tektonica Studio Architects, and acknowledge the design efforts of Ernie Ruskey, AIA.

We now enjoy 50% more seating, a new narthex, a larger sanctuary and sacristy, bathrooms, confessional/quiet room, and much needed storage space.

Preliminary design efforts led to a July 2004 contract with Mr. Ruskey for architectural and engineering services. After some design changes and a third party budget-cost estimate, the project was bid by several general contractors. This phase of the project was ably directed by Mr. Ruskey in the Spring of 2005.

Project bids necessitated cost-cutting to meet our budget. Again, this was efficiently coordinated by Mr. Ruskey and his firm.

It should be noted that historic preservation, restoration and integration of valuable artwork and artifacts was required in our design. Mr. Ruskey's firm, having considerable experience in this area, did an excellent job in meeting our needs.

Construction began in late April of 2005 and was completed in December 2005, all in time for the Church's rededication by Bishop Salvatore Matano on Christmas Day.

In all aspects of the project, from communication, and working with our building committee, to weekly job site meetings and construction supervision, Ernie Ruskey and his staff were competent, professional and a pleasure to work with.

Blessed Sacrament Church highly recommends Ernie Ruskey and his firm for project design services.

Building Committee


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