

Cathedral of the Most Blessed Sacrament

Identification

EBN	250656
Name	Cathedral of the Most Blessed Sacrament
Alternative Name	Blessed Sacrament Cathedral Detroit
Construction Type	church
Current Status	existing [completed]

Location

Continent Name	North America	District (1st level)	Central
Country Name	U.S.A.	Postcode	48202
State Name	Michigan	Address (as text)	9844 Woodward Avenue
Metro Area Name	Detroit-Warren-Flint Combined Statistical Area	Main Address	9844 Woodward Avenue

City Name	Detroit	Virtual Address	2 Belmont Avenue
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Description

Facade System	applied masonry	Architectural style	neo-gothic
Facade Material	copper limestone sandstone	Main Usage	church (roman catholic)
Facade Color	light gray		

Spatial dimensions

Height (structural)	174 ft	Length	237.5 ft
Height (tip)	174 ft	Width	125 ft

Years and costs

Year (construction start)	1913	Year (last renovation)	1951
Year (construction end)	1914		

Features & Amenities

- National landmark
- Cathedral title is officially assigned

Facts

- The cathedral's twin bell towers measure 108 feet to the roofs, and 135 feet to the spires atop them. The main spire at the center of the church rises to a height 174 feet.
- The 22 stained glass windows of the cathedral were designed using a Medieval practice called the "pot metal process" which allows for deep, rich colors, but also allows for greater transparency letting more light into the cathedral.
- The church was designed in the Norman Gothic style, and is faced in Ohio sandstone and Indiana limestone. Common of this style, it is built in the form of a crucifix.

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- The soaring, twin bell towers on the front facade were constructed between 1950 and 1951.
- Pope Pius XI granted this church the title "cathedral" in 1938 making it the mother church of the Archdiocese of Detroit.

Involved companies

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Renovations

Renovation 1950 - 1951

Companies involved in this renovation

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