Cathedral of the Holy Family

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Officially opened in May 2012, the Cathedral of the Holy Family includes a main worship space that seats 1,200, with the ability to expand seating by 600-800. The building includes the diocesanCatholic Pastoral Centre ministry and chancery offices on the second floor, and the parish offices on the first floor, as well as a Queen of Peace day chapel, a hall, kitchen facilities and several meeting rooms.

Beauty, technology and faith are combined in a unique solar stained glass installation at the new cathedral. The large "Lux GLoria" stained glass south windows high atop the building spire include some 1,000 solar cells permanently embedded into the art glass designed by artist Sarah Hall. The solar cells collect energy for the building. The design of the colourful windows in three large groupings of the panels - red, gold and blue - reflect the colour and movement of prairie skies. Sarah Hall also designed the five stained glass (non-solar) windows that circle the worship space of the new Cathedral. The windows depict salvation history through light and colour, beginning with "Creation" and then proceeding to "Covenant" "Incarnation" "Resurrection" and "Glory." An Annunciation mosaic entitled Joy to the World in the cathedral's Queen of Peace Chapel was also designed by Sarah Hall.