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Our New Home St. Martin's Anglican Church



1009 Prominence Way SW, Calgary St. Martin's Legacies

St. Martin's has a long history serving the west side of Calgary. St. Martin's started its life in 1912 on the western edge of the City Calgary on 28th Street in Killarney. This newsletter offers a glimpse into our early history.

The original marker for the Church was made by Ron Cross. Here is Ron with his sister Violet Cawthorn standing in front of the marker in 1999 at the de-consecration of the last church building before it moved to the Calgary Academy. The marker will find a place in our new home.



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Excerpts From A Centenary History Of St. Martin's Anglican Church





Our Church is over 100 years old. In 1948 the congregation was outgrowing the original Church Building built in 1912. It was decided that the parish hall, the larger of the two original structures, function could as a temporary church. Work began to convert it into a worship space. The hall would become the second church building. The parish hired a parishioner, Ed professional Stanford a contractor.

The back of the building was torn off and rebuilt with a new roof and a new sanctuary.

Larger hall windows were removed and replaced with the windows from the original church. A new, larger vestibule was built on the front of the building. Eight new windows and frames and four double doors were made by hand in Ed's home.

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The original church's stained glass rose window was also removed and placed in the wall at the back of the altar.



In 1959 construction began on a new church building on the north side of the parish hall. The converted church building that had originally been the parish hall was sold. The remaining church hall was then renovated to become the third church building.

Around 2007 the second church building that had been sold but was no longer in use was set to be demolished. St. Martin's was invited to take historical artifacts from the building before demolition.

The stained glass rose window, set in the wall behind the altar, was saved and placed in storage.

Since that time, the Rose Gold Window has been in storage waiting to be placed in what is now our new home - the fourth church building.

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A Heartfelt Thank You to Laura Wieler and all the volunteers for our beautiful and welcoming flowerbed

St. Martín's Newsletter

This newsletter will keep you in touch with progress on our new home. Look out for future editions to tell:

- Stories of St. Martin's
- More Landscaping Work Bees
- Progress on the Reno
- News About our new and growing community.

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Newsletter Preparation Note:

Currently, the newsletter is being prepared weekly. If you are contributing materials and photos for a future edition please email photos to either Karly or Elizabeth as small photos. The small file size makes it much easier to produce and distribute the newsletter. Thank you.