





St Francis' Church Restoration

A complete restoration of St Francis' Church was carried out by Kane Constructions under a fixed lump sum contract. The \$4m project was completed in 1996.

St Francis' Church (at 326 Lonsdale Street, Melbourne) is the oldest Catholic Church in Victoria and the oldest church on its original site in Melbourne.

For over 160 years, St Francis' has been an important place of prayer and worship in the centre of the city of Melbourne.

In 1929, St Francis' Church became a eucharistic shrine in the care of the Blessed Sacrament Congregation.

A religious community of priests and brothers (currently under the leadership of Fr Tom Knowles SSS) live in the monastery attached to St Francis' Church.

Today, St Francis' is the busiest church in Australia, with forty-three masses and over 10,000 visiting worshippers each week.

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Client Blessed Sacrament Congregation

Consultants Andronas Conservation Architecture

Location Victoria