

ST. FRANCIS EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Rio Rancho, New Mexico

New Church Facility

This parish was housed in a temporary portable building and required a totally new facility. The program called for a 300 seat church, offices, parish hall, chapel, education, and nursery, and music practice rooms.

Designed to surround an entry courtyard, the design embraces the landscape vista of the Sandia Mountains to the east. A prayer labyrinth is to be installed in the courtyard. The church is aligned with the main building entrance and has been designed as a warm inviting space through use of brick, wood, and natural light. Abundant natural light enters through clearstory and apse windows. Custom designed liturgical furniture sets off the chancel.

\$2.3 Million
Dedicated: April 17, 2001
Design Architect: Robert Habiger
Architect of Record: RD Habiger & Associates Inc
Liturgical Design Consultant: Rev. Walt Smith
Liturgical Furniture Design: Robert Habiger

