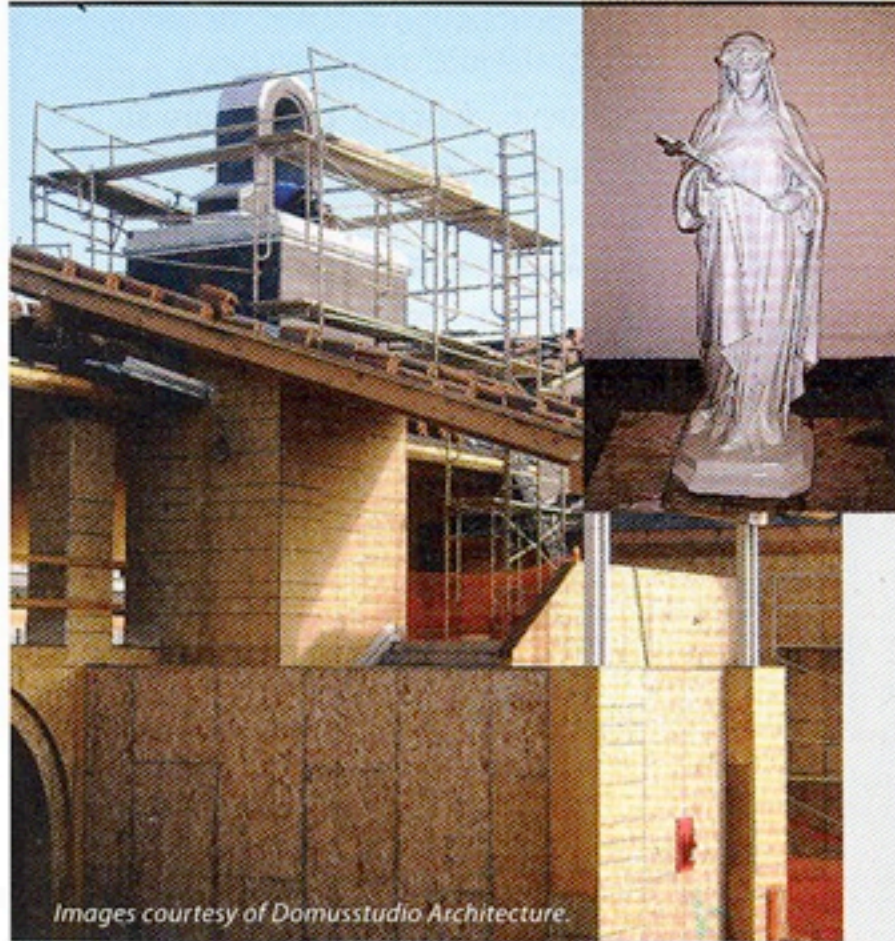


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An education center building under construction at St. Rose of Lima in Chula Vista, Calif., scheduled to be completed this summer, is the new home of the church's original St. Rose of Lima statue.

St. Rose of Lima Statue Restored as Part of Chula Vista Church Expansion

St. Rose of Lima Parish in Chula Vista, Calif., announces construction of a new 24,000-square-foot education center building. The start to construction was commemorated with the unveiling of a 500-pound refurbished namesake statue of St. Rose of Lima.

"Our parish has been at this location since 1921 and the St. Rose of Lima statue has been a part of the parish since our school was built in 1948," says Deacon Gregory Smyth, pastoral associate and building project manager at the parish. "This celebration of her makeover

combined with our construction milestone [provided] an opportunity for the parish to reflect on its history and to recommit to its long-range goals for the future."

The St. Rose of Lima education center, designed by San Diego-based church architect Domusstudio Architecture and built by Erickson-Hall Construction Co. of Escondido, Calif., is scheduled for summertime completion.

Work on the statue marks the artwork's first-ever restoration. The owners of Advanced Restoration Co., the San Diego company that restored the statue, report using baking soda technology to strip and delicately clean timeworn surfaces. Point Loma, Calif.-based Advance Auto Body & Paint helped by retouching the statue's paint.

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