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The Chapel at St George's College

On 8 December 2006, Bishop Kieran Conroy blessed the newly refurbished chapel at St George's College which was exactly 50 years to the day after the chapel had been officially blessed in 1956. The present chapel, which had been built to replace the existing 'tin' chapel, was built following a fund raising effort that included pupils buying their own individual bricks.

The removal of the wooden screens around the sanctuary has created a much great sense of space which has been further enhanced by the new carpeted area that surrounds the sanctuary and runs the full length of the central isle. The Lady Chapel, two of the side altars and the two sacristies have been opened up to create additional seating on both sides of the sanctuary. The remaining side altars have been converted into the new sacristy. The large oak doors leading into the chapel have been replaced by glass doors and a baptistery has been created where the first confessional used to be located. The statues from the side chapels are now resplendent on the wall of the balcony. The Josephite Community donated the new tabernacle located to the left of the sanctuary.

The chapel has completely new lighting; a sophisticated sound system and the capability of showing text, pictures, and videos on a large screen behind the altar as well as live images from a camera located in the chapel. The new altar and ambo were built by the College's own craftsmen. A new presidential chair will soon be added to complete the simple but attractive altar and ambo. The new colour scheme for the chapel was chosen to complement the colours of the Holy Spirit window.

Some photographs.



The Chapel before refurbishment



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