



**June 2, 2005 - Statement on the historic significance of many of its worship sites as it relates to the reconfiguration**

**Boston, Massachusetts, June 2, 2005** - The Archdiocese of Boston today made the following statement regarding the process of reconfiguration:

“The Archdiocese of Boston is engaged in a challenging but necessary process of reconfiguration in an effort to better meet the needs of the Catholic community now and in the future. A significant amount of planning and work has gone into the ongoing disposition of Church property with the clear understanding that both the needs of the Archdiocese and the surrounding communities must be balanced.

The Archdiocese appreciates the need to respect the historic significance of its many worship sites. In fact, it takes into account a variety of factors in an effort to evaluate proposals for re-use. All proposals are viewed on a qualitative basis including the historic nature of the structures.”

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