



**Address:** 30 Jones Hollow Road

**Contemporary Building Name:** St. John Fisher Community Roman Catholic Church

**Historic Building Name:** St. John Fisher Community Roman Catholic Church

**Present Use:** Church

**Historic Use:** Church

**Architectural style:** Contemporary

**Date constructed:** 1975

**Description:** This is a contemporary structure with steeply pitched roofline, and elongated windows. The rear of the building has a shallower pitched gabled roof. The main entrance is to the right of the high pitched section of the building. There is no doubt that this is a church.

**Significance:** With the influx of people after World War II into Marlborough, many churches struggled with the increased visitation. In Marlborough, where there was not a Catholic Church, residents had to travel to neighboring towns for services, swelling those parishes. In 1972, the Archbishop of Hartford appointed Father Felix MacGuire as Marlborough's first Catholic priest. Services were held in the American Legion Hall and the Grange Hall. The Congregational Church also offered their building for special celebrations, such as weddings, funerals, and Holy Days. In 1974, property was purchased on Jones Hollow Road, and they broke ground in 1975. The first mass was held in November 1975, and the official dedication was held in February 1976.

**Sources:** Historic files located in the Richmond Memorial Library.

Images and other information from Joe Giggey.

**Notes:**