

Niagara Organ Works

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Mr. Nick Kempinski, Organist
St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church
3512 Clinton Street
West Seneca, New York 14224

Dear Nick,

Having had the opportunity to see the former St. Catherine's RC Church sanctuary, I have given a good deal of thought to the various ways in which the organ at St. John's could be installed.

Upon initial examination of the room, there appear to be organ chambers with grilles flanking the chancel area. This is not the case. These are "mechanical" rooms with very low ceilings and large HVAC ducts that communicate with the sanctuary through the grilles.

The organ would have to be placed in a free-standing position. There are a number of possibilities, all of which would require new casework, and varying structural modifications. I would hasten to add that all are very reasonable approaches that would in no way degrade the quality of the organ or its artistic integrity. Indeed, given the live acoustic environment of the St. Catherine's sanctuary, I think that the organ would sound wonderful in that setting.

To give you a realistic estimate for installing the organ there, you will be looking at a figure between \$28,000.00 and \$35,000.00. Obviously, finalized design work would dictate the cost.

I hope this information will assist you in your decision-making process.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call. My family and I will be leaving for a one-week vacation on Sunday the 17th, returning on Sunday the 24th. If any questions or concerns arise, I will be available on my cell phone at 536-5370.

Sincerely,
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