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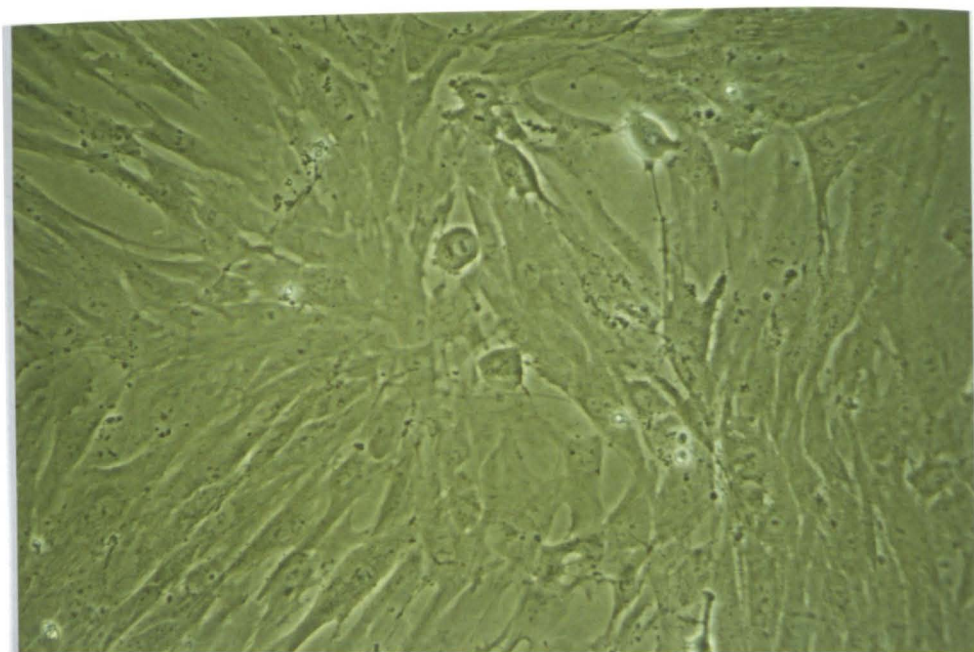
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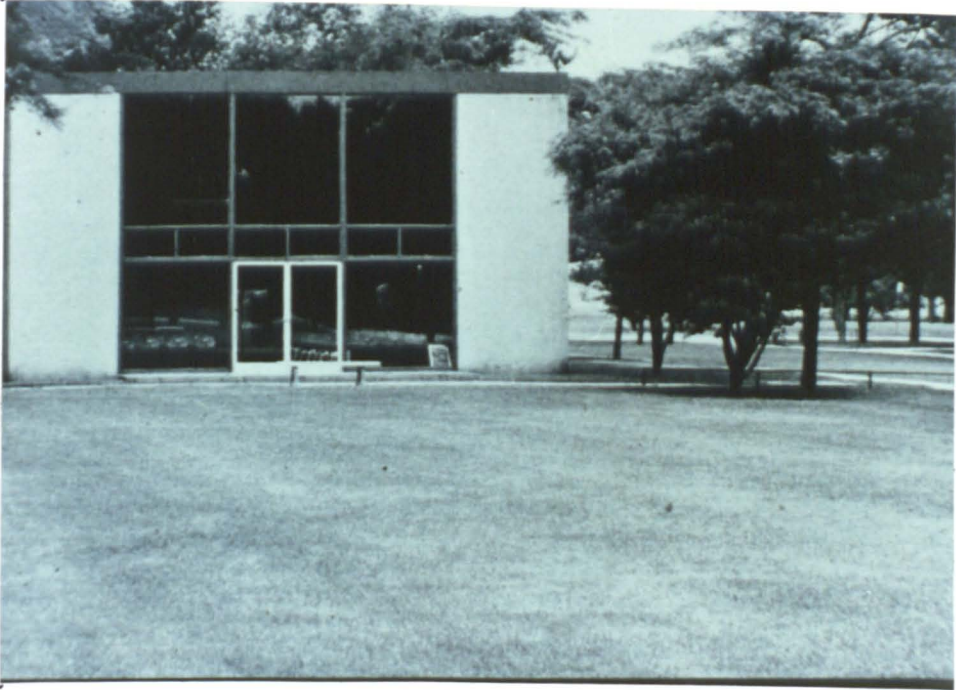
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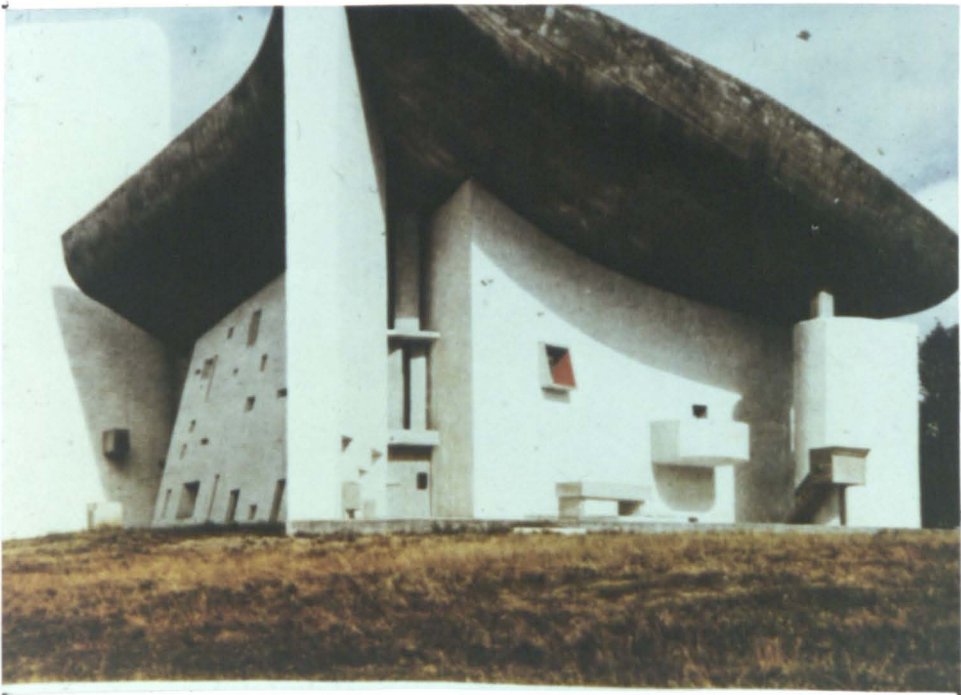
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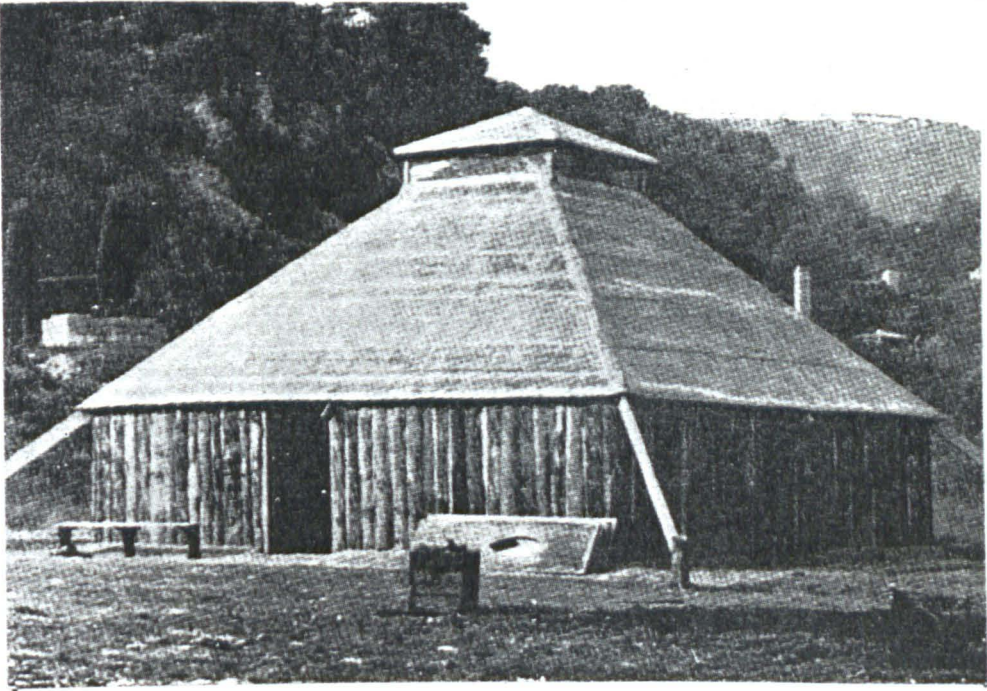
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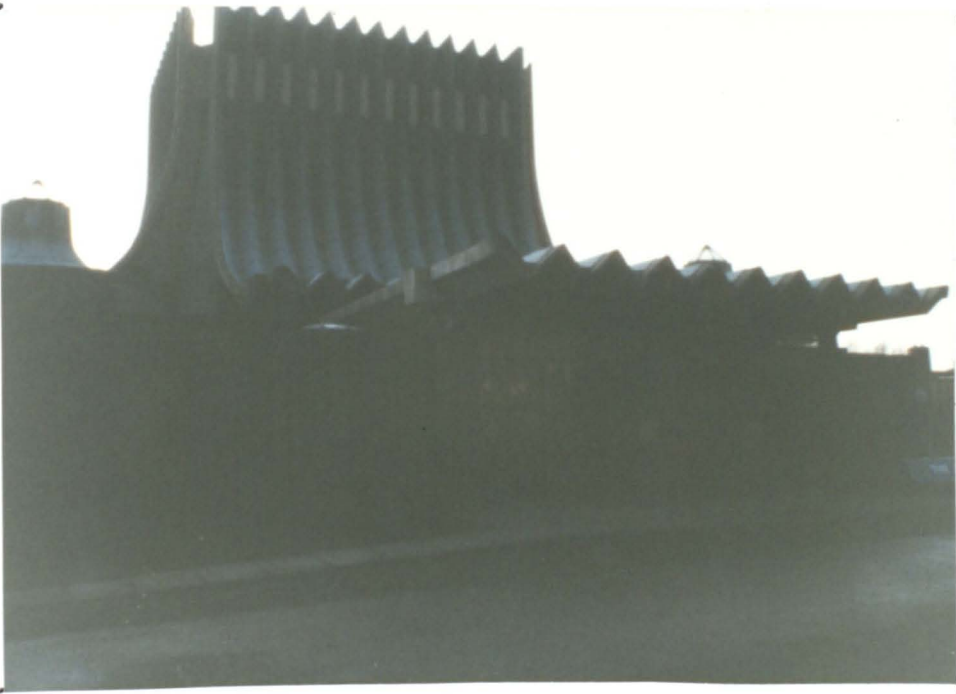


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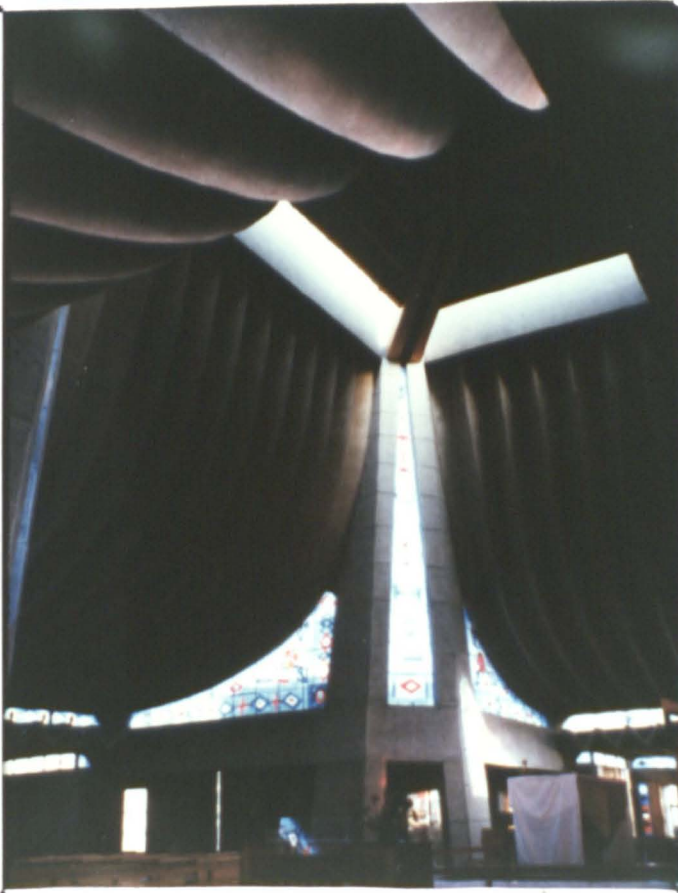


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Our Lady Queen of All Creation, Hemel Hempstead (1957), Archard  
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Our Lady Queen of All Creation, Hemel Hempstead (1957), Archard  
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St Ambrose, Speke, Liverpool (1960), Weightman & Bullen



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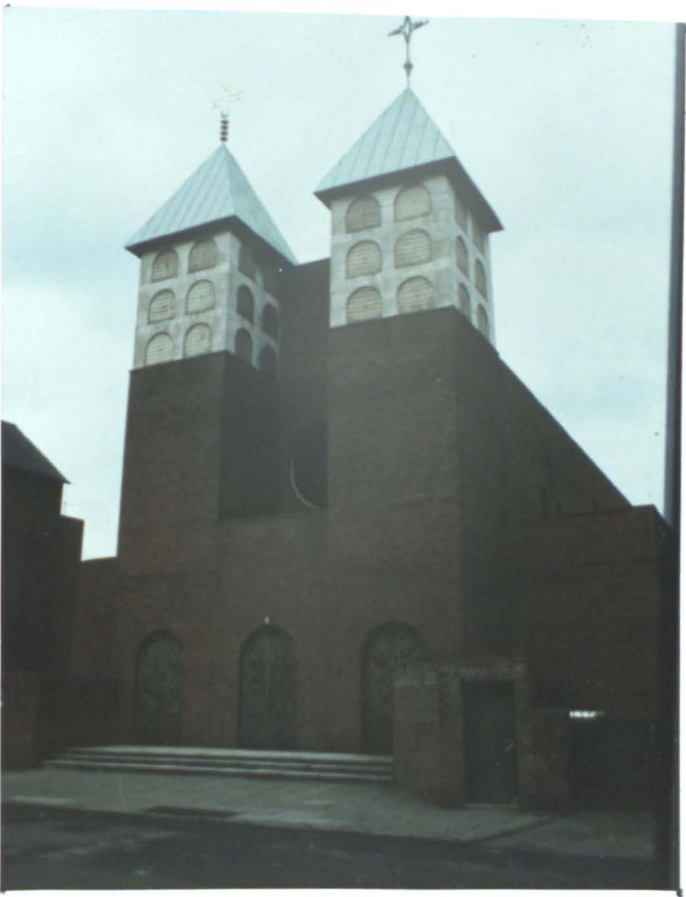
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Parish Church, Ennistymon, Co Clare (1953), Corr & McCormick



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Church at Rossguill, Co Donegal (1954), B O'Connor



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Church at Knockanure, Moyvane (1963), M Scott & Ptnrs



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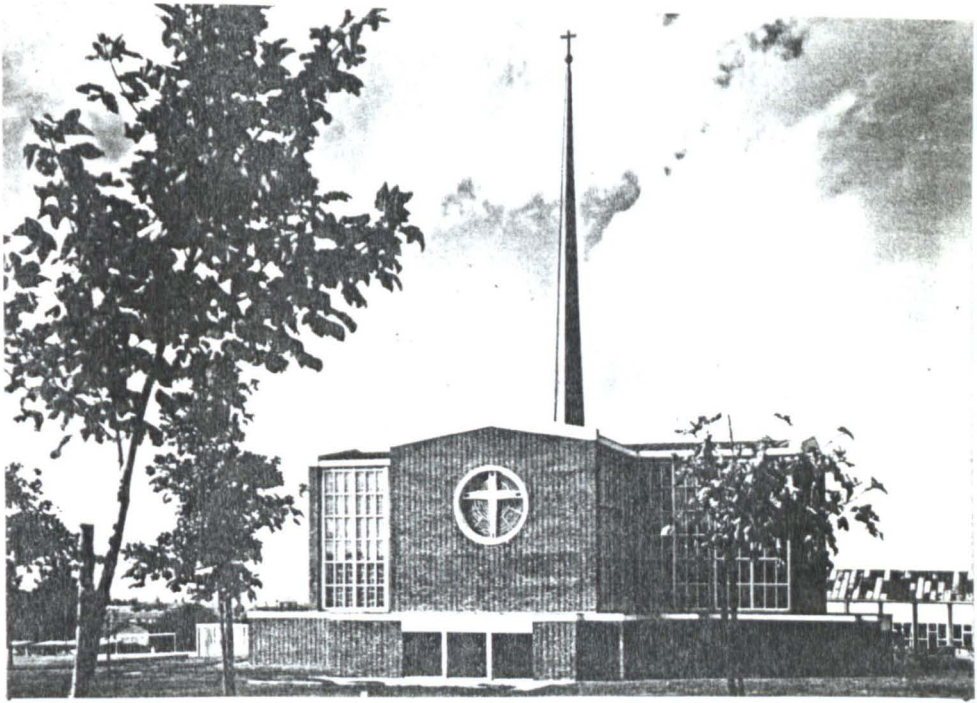
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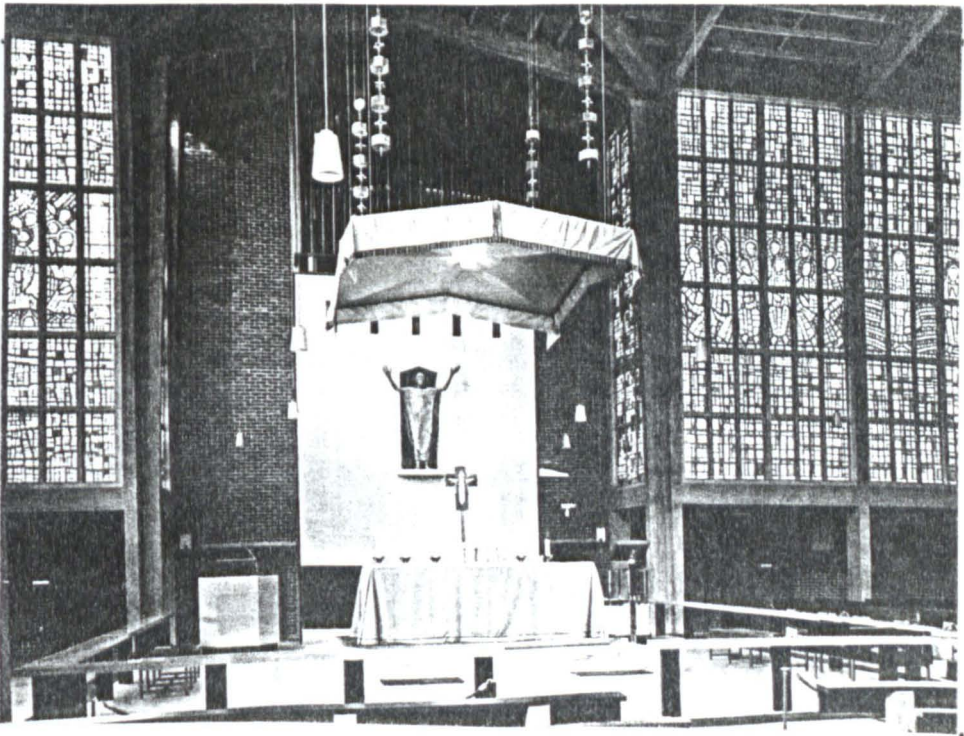
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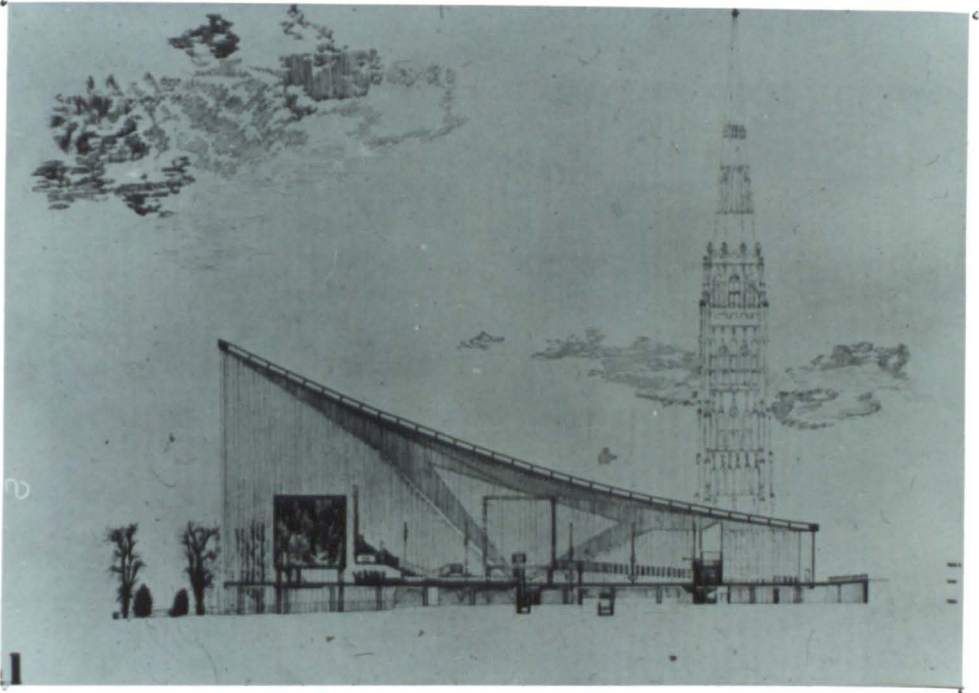
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St Mary, Failsworth (1964), Greenalgh & Williams



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St Mary, Failsworth (1964), Greenalgh & Williams



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St Aidan, East Acton, London (1961), Burles Newton & Ptnrs



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Metropolitan Cathedral of Christ the King, Liverpool (1967),  
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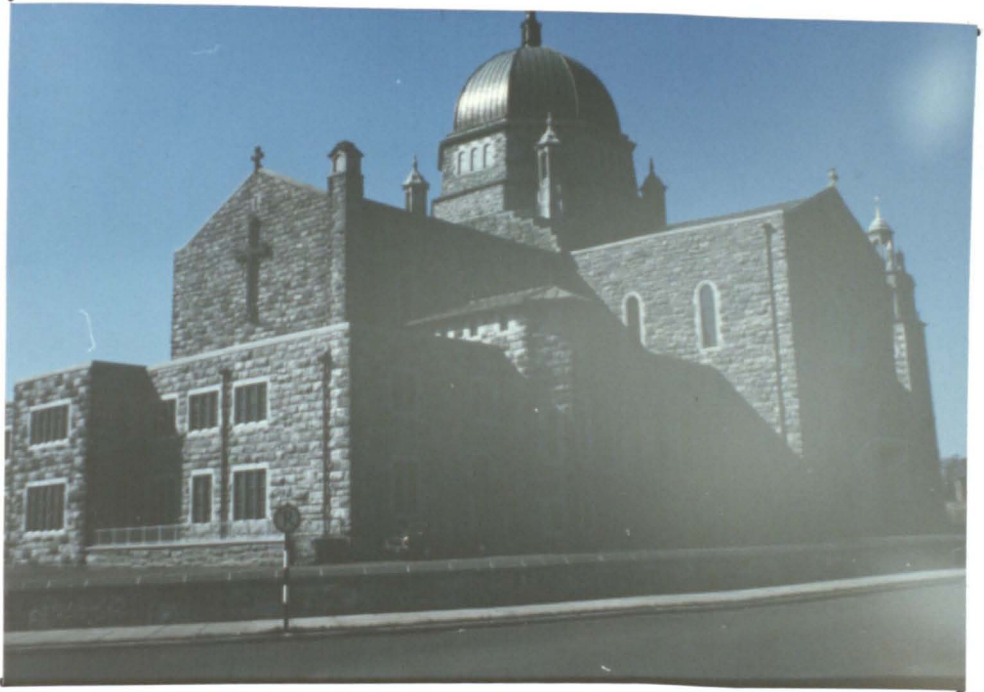
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De La Salle College Chapel, Hopwood Hall, Manchester (1965),  
Reynolds & Scott with F Gibberd



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De La Salle College Chapel, Hopwood Hall, Manchester (1965),  
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Galway Cathedral (1965), J J Robinson



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Knock Shrine, Co Mayo (1976), D P Hanly, L J & B Brennan



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Knock Shrine, Co Mayo (1976), D P Hanly, L J & B Brennan  
Sanctuary with original scheme



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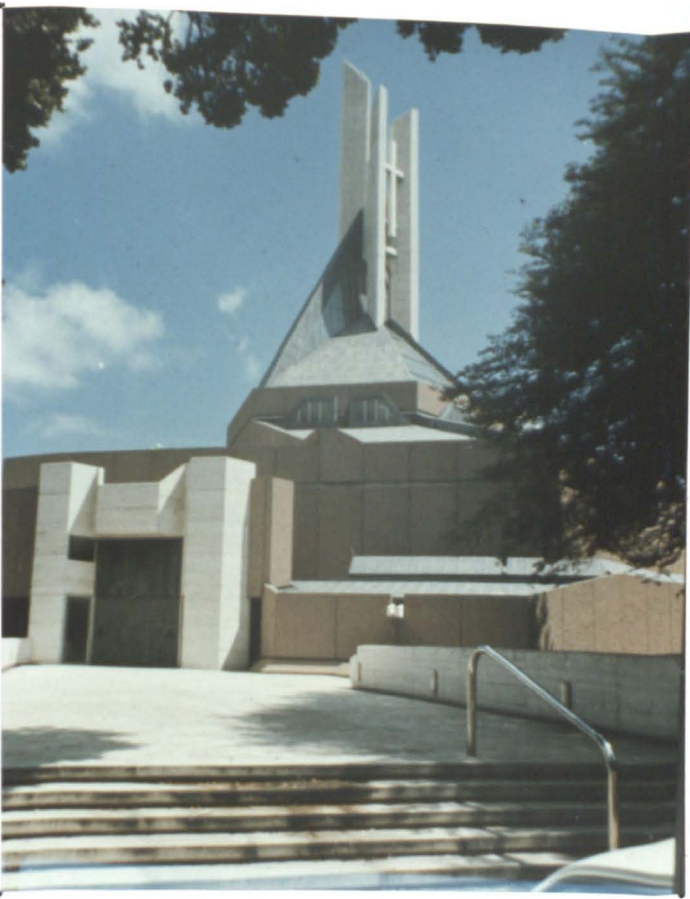
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Clifton Cathedral, Bristol (1973), Sir P Thomas Partnership



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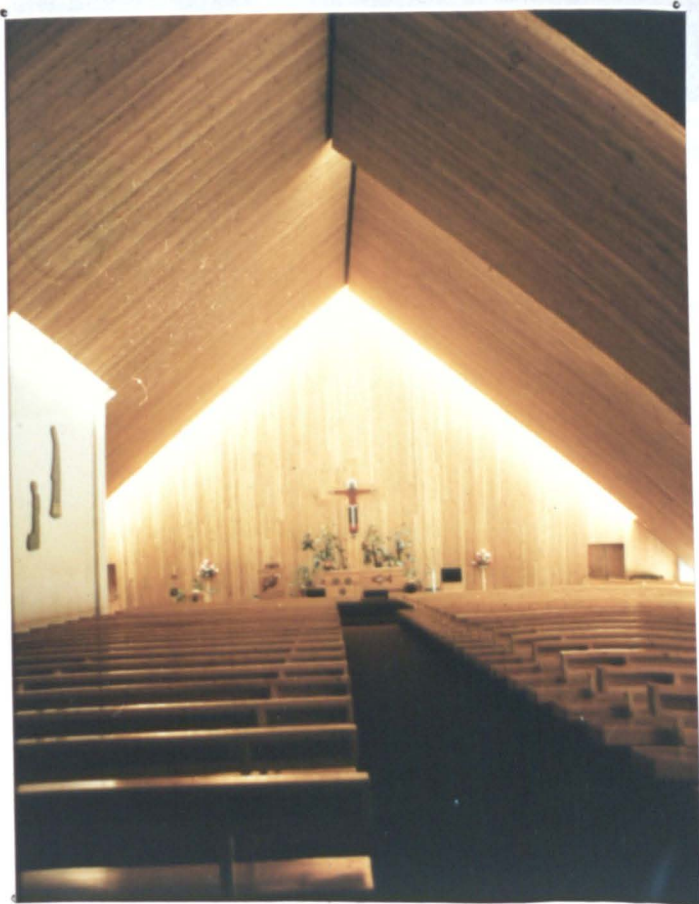
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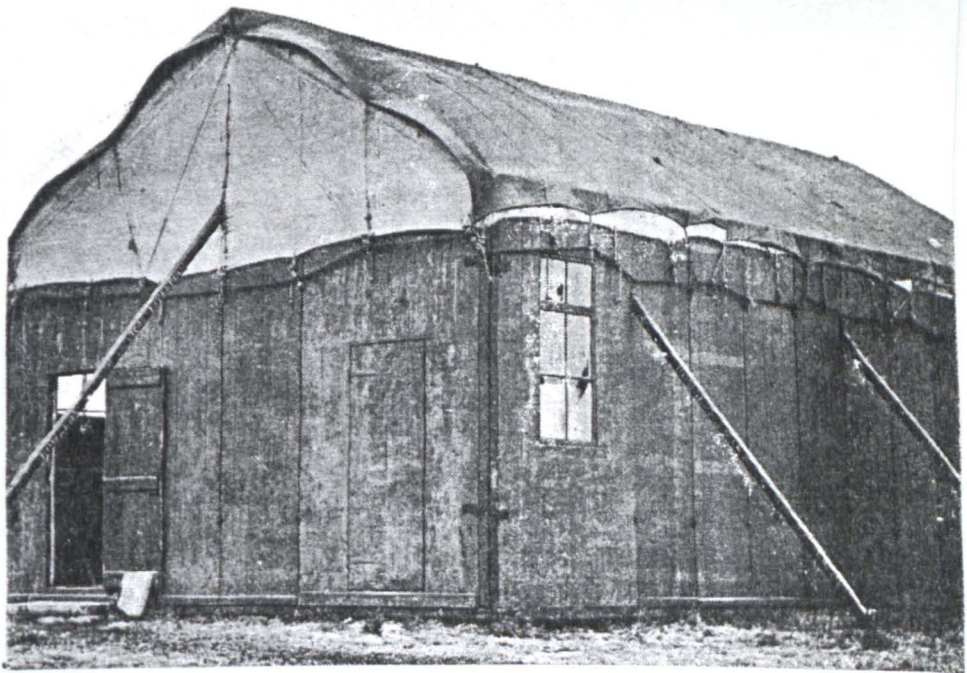
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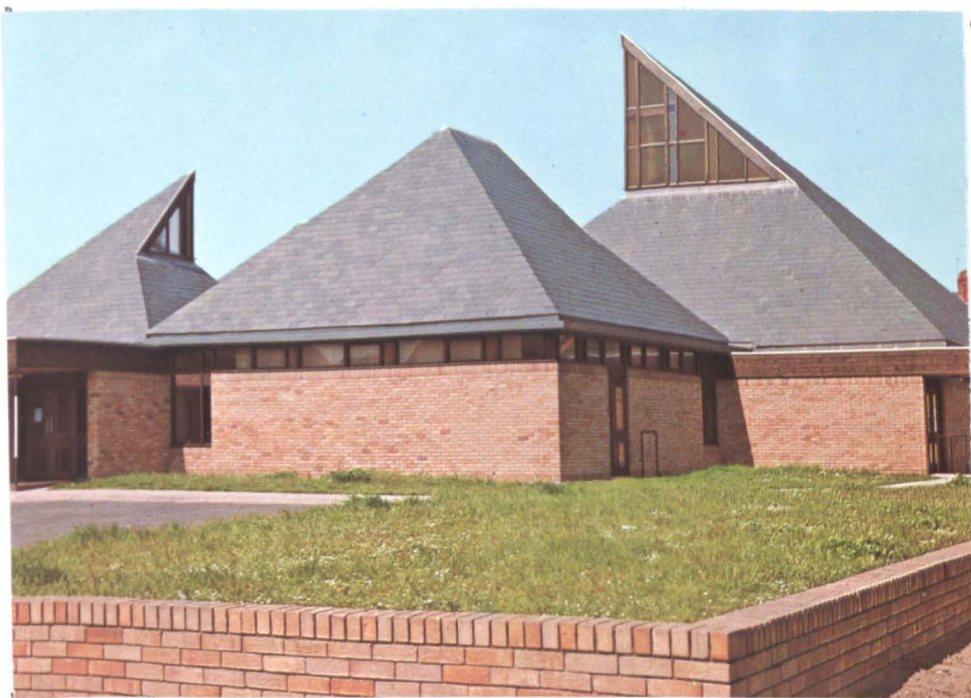
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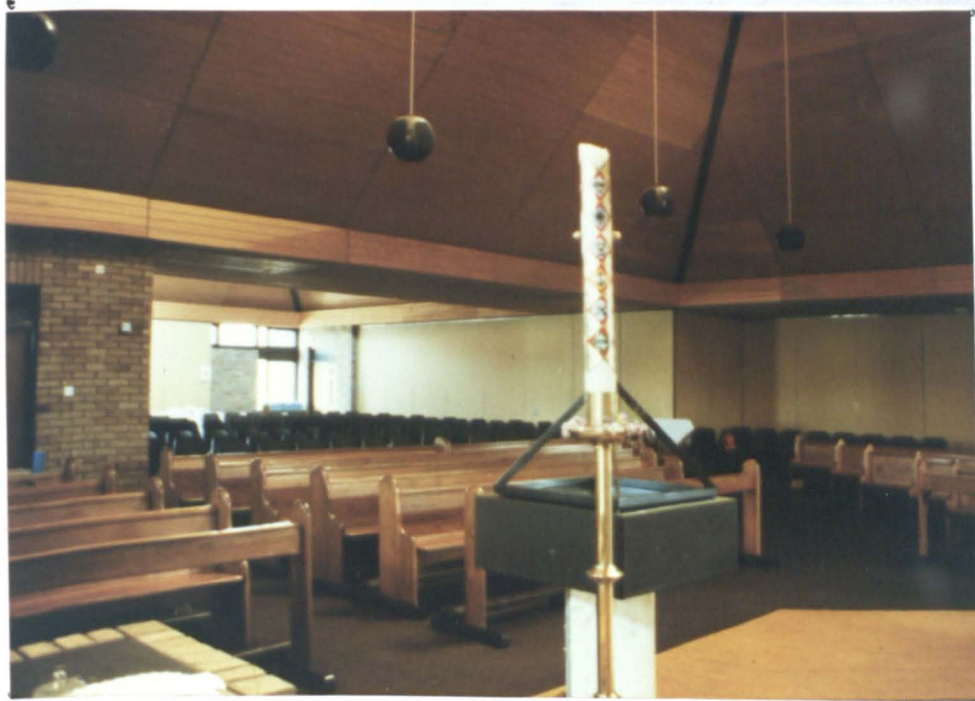
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St Edmund Campion, Wellingborough (1972), Ellis Williams  
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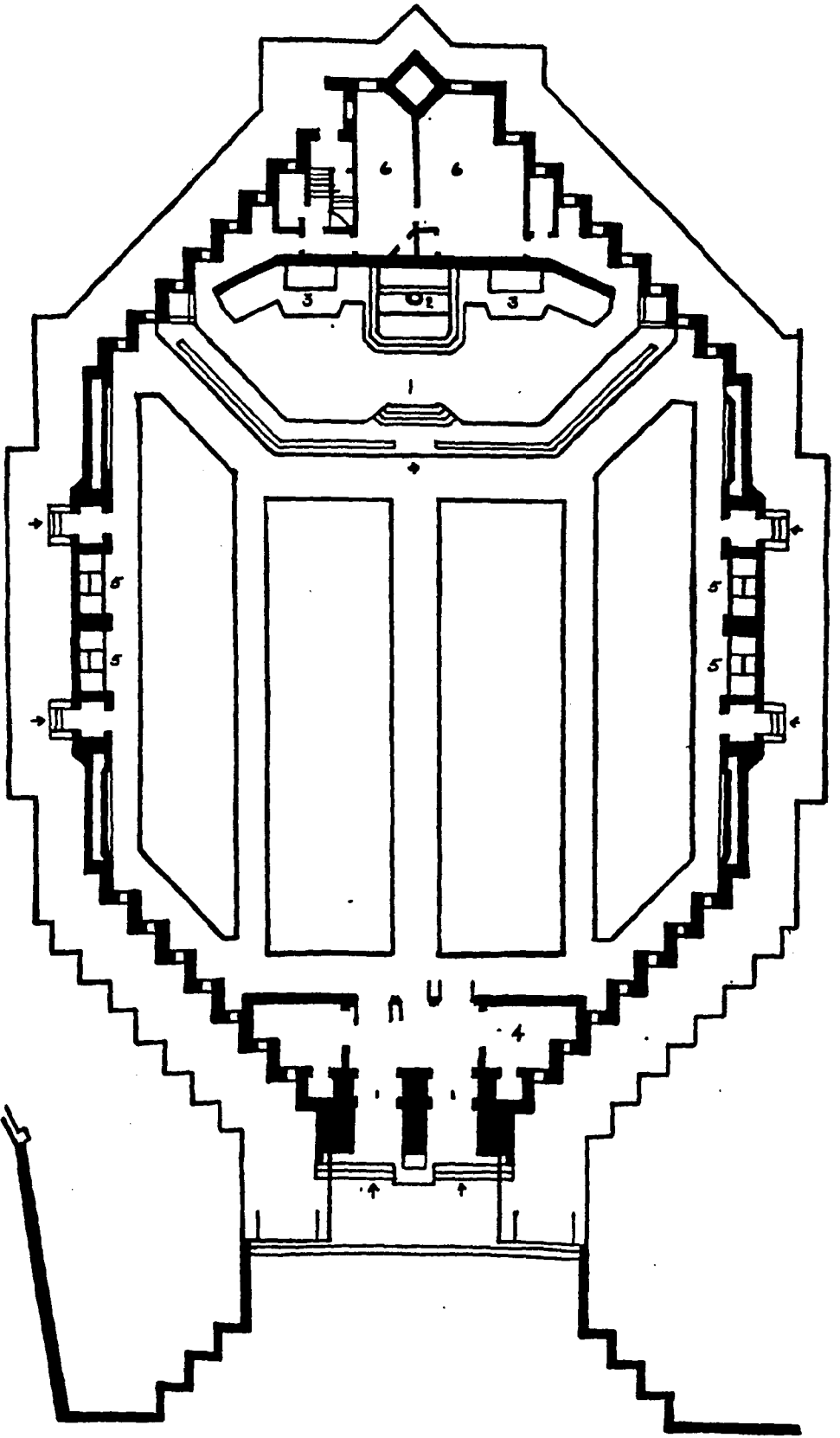
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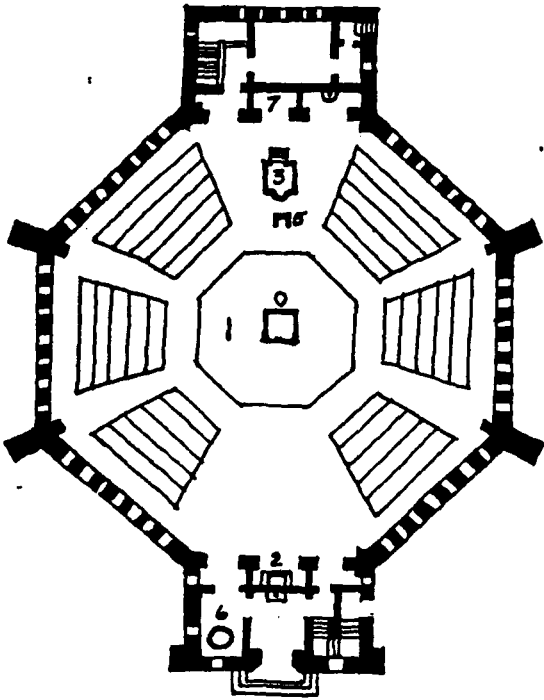
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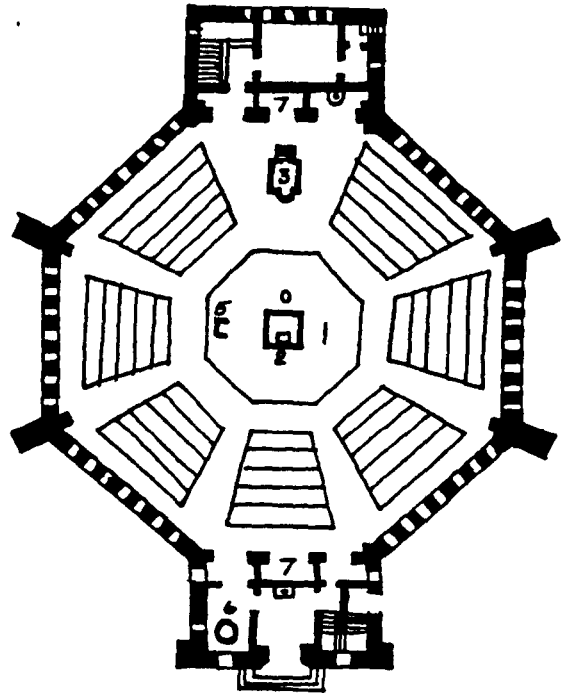


1 Sanctuary 2 Tabernacle 3 Side Altars  
4 Baptistery? 5 Confessionals 6 Sacristies

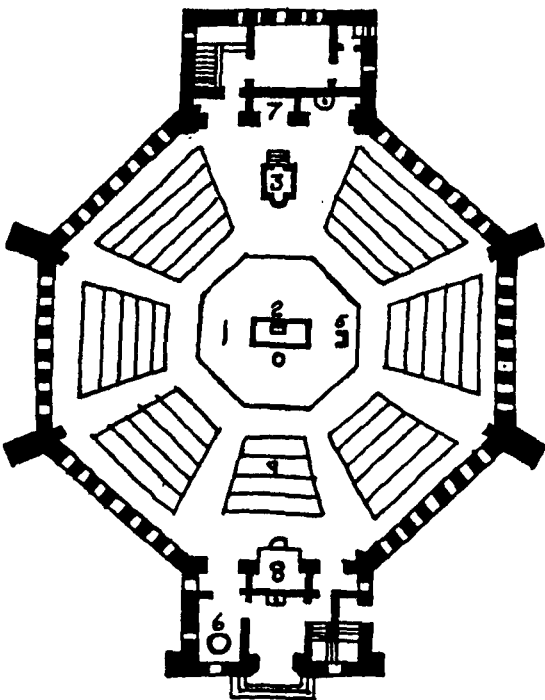
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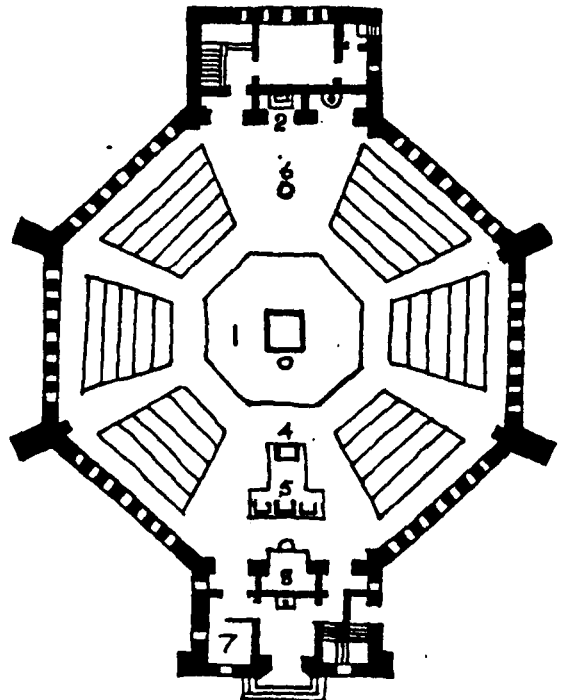
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1936/7 Scheme (Approved)

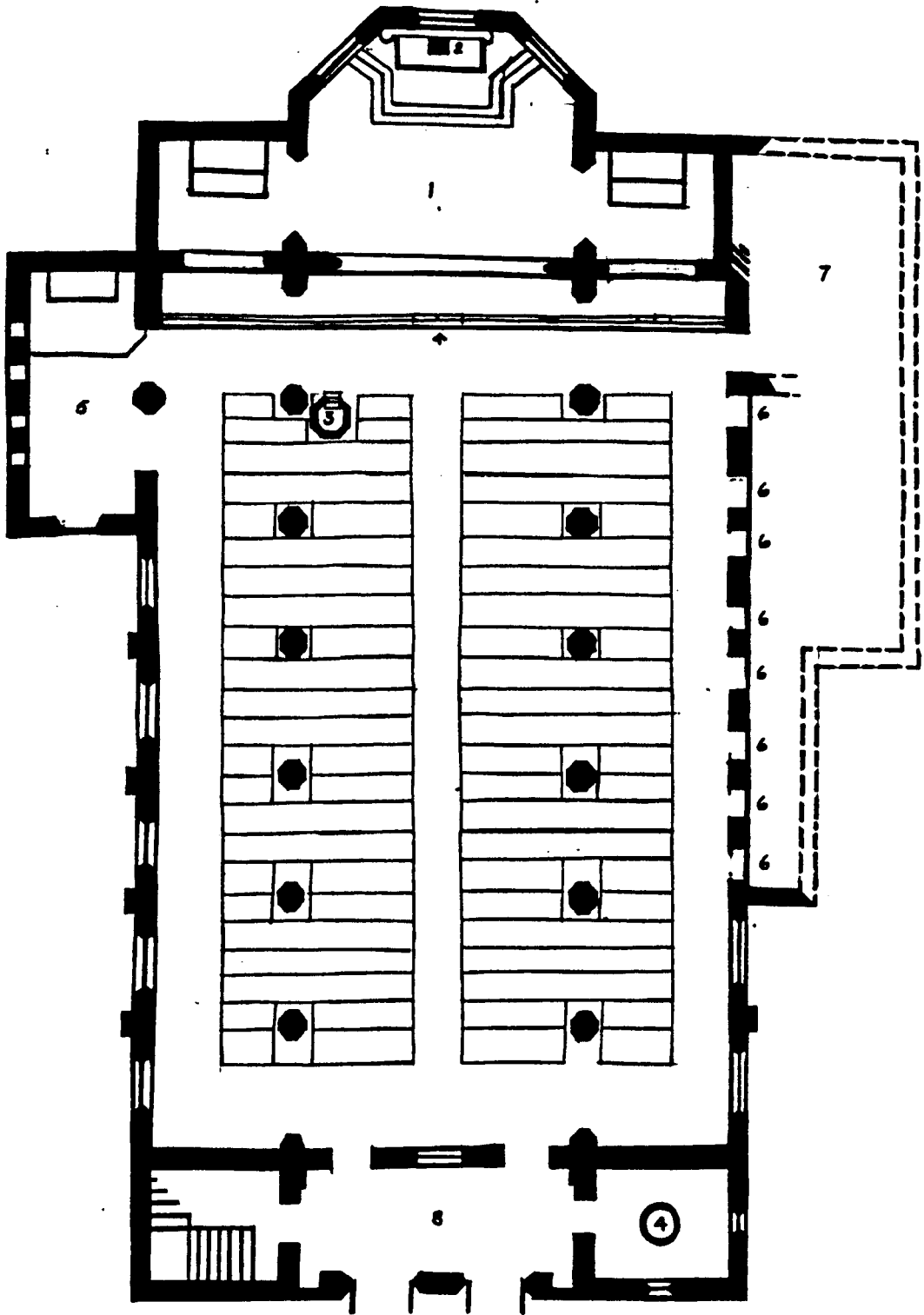


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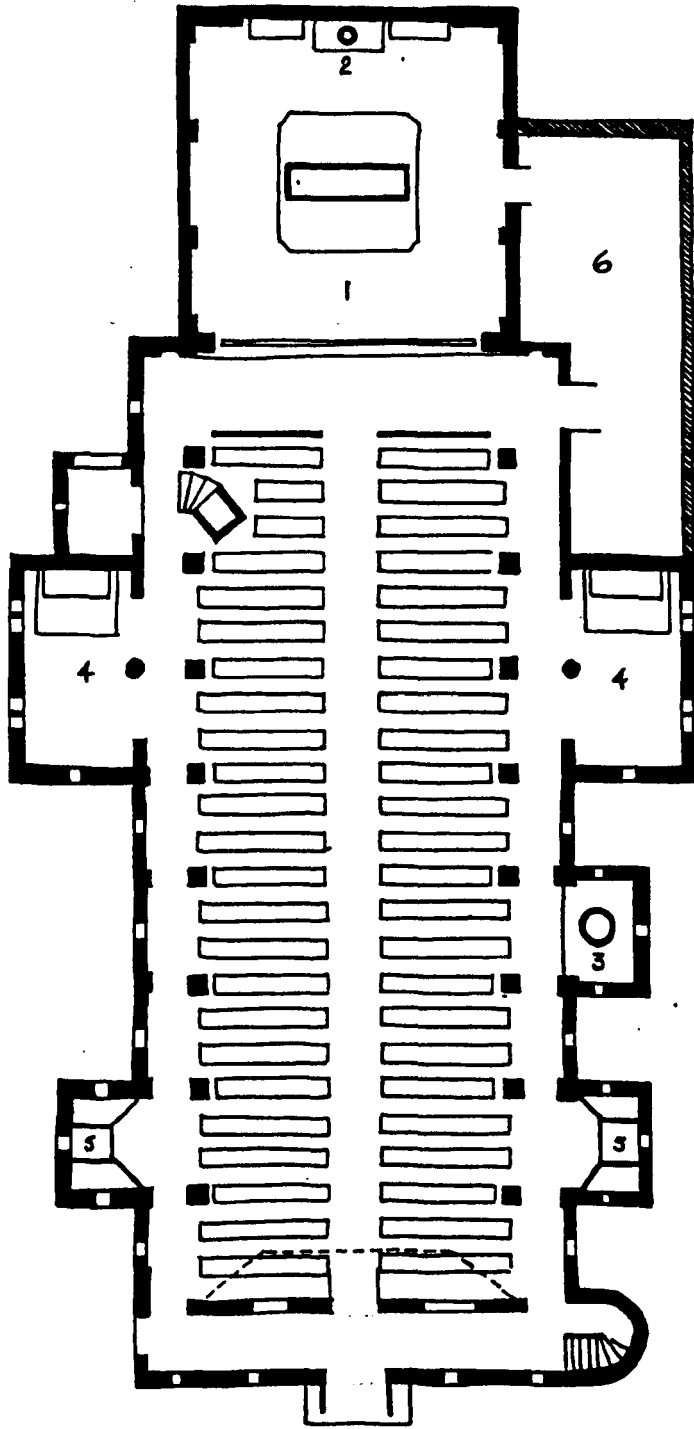
1974 Scheme

1 Sanctuary 2 Tabernacle 3 Pulpit/Ambo  
4 Lectern 5 Chair 6 font 7 Confessionals  
8 Organ 9 Choir



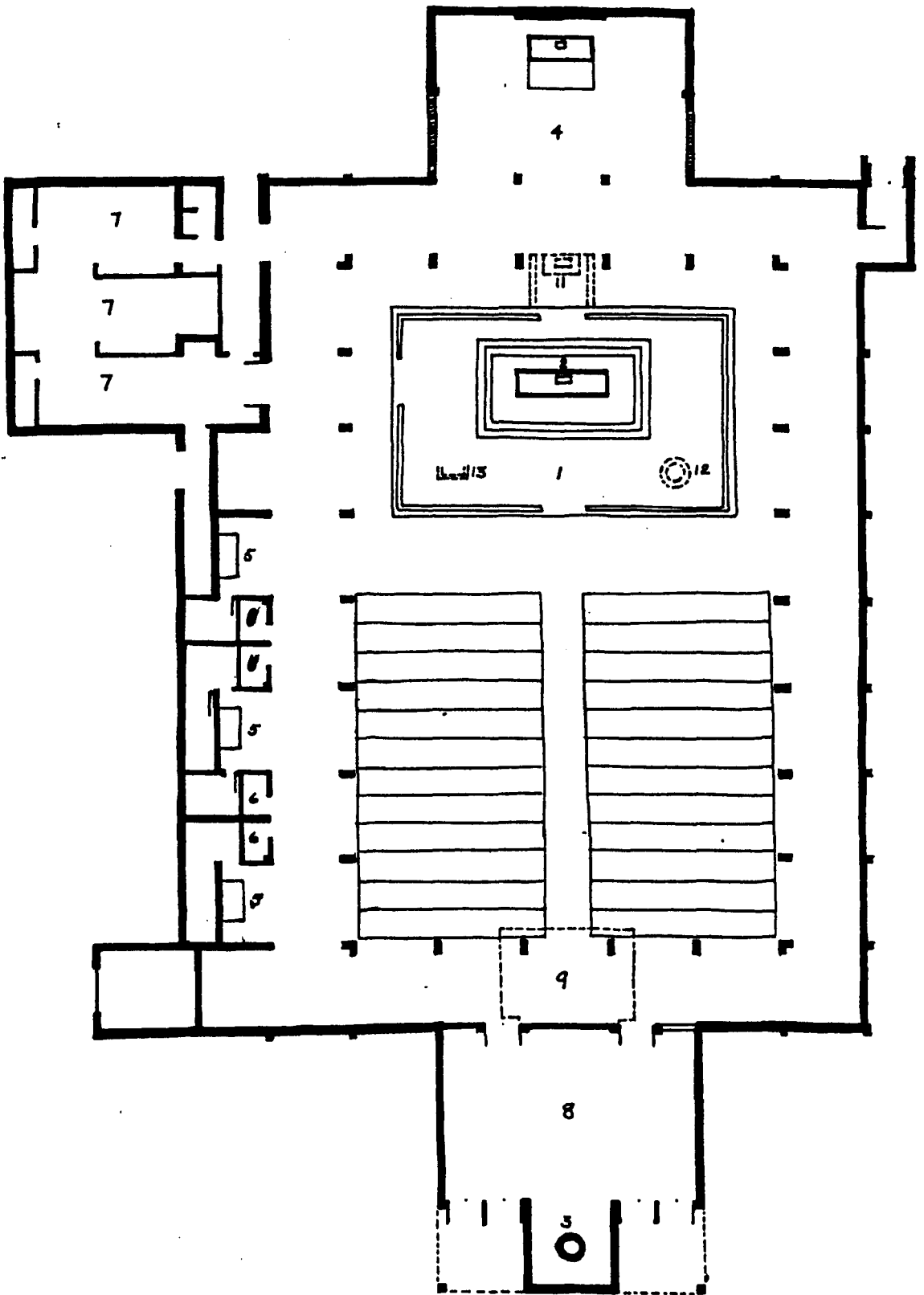
*Plan from Site Sketch*

- 1 Sanctuary 2 Tabernacle 3 Pulpit
- 4 Baptistry 5 Mortuary Chapel 6 Confessionals
- 7 Sacristies 8 Entrance/Choir Gallery Over



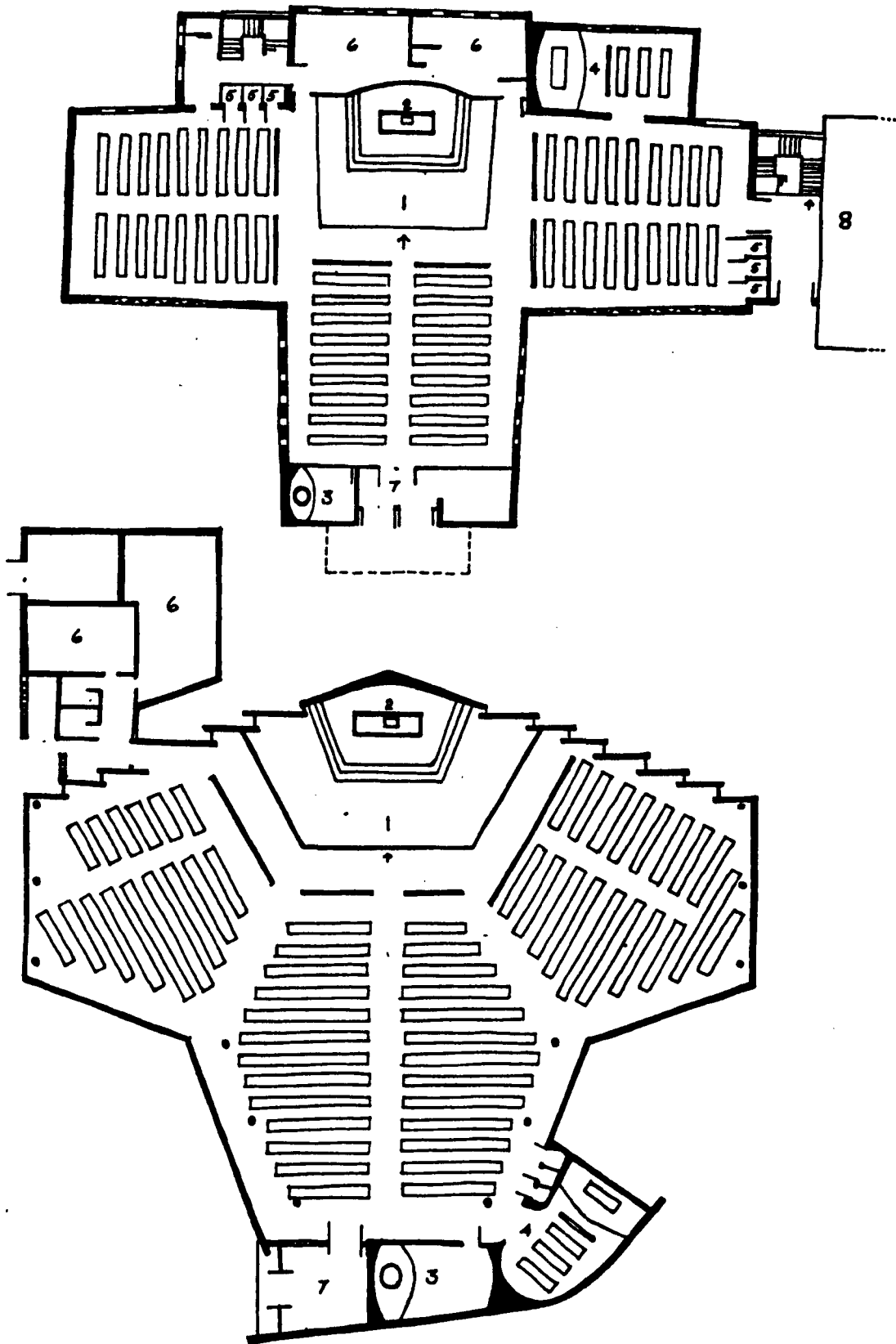
1 Sanctuary 2 Tabernacle 3 Baptistry  
 4 Side Chapels 5 Confessionals  
 6 Sacristy

Our Lady of Lourdes, Yardley Wood, Birmingham (1967), Harrison & Cox



1 Sanctuary 2 Tabernacle 3 Baptistry/Tower Over  
 4 Lady Chapel 5 Side Chapels 6 Confessionals  
 7 Sacristies 8 Entrance 9 Organ Pipework Over  
 [1 Tabernacle 12 Font 13 Ambo Locations after re-ordering]

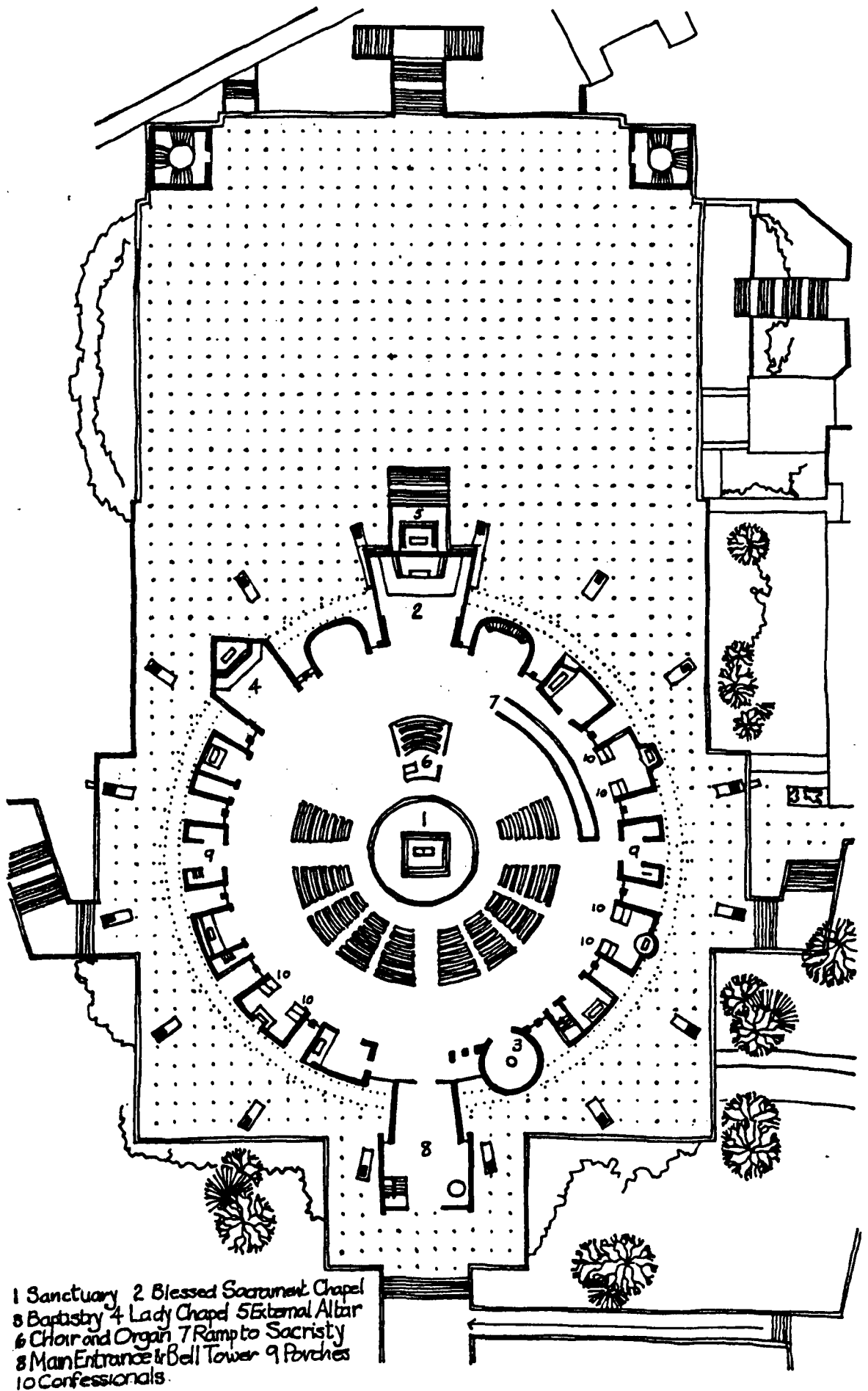




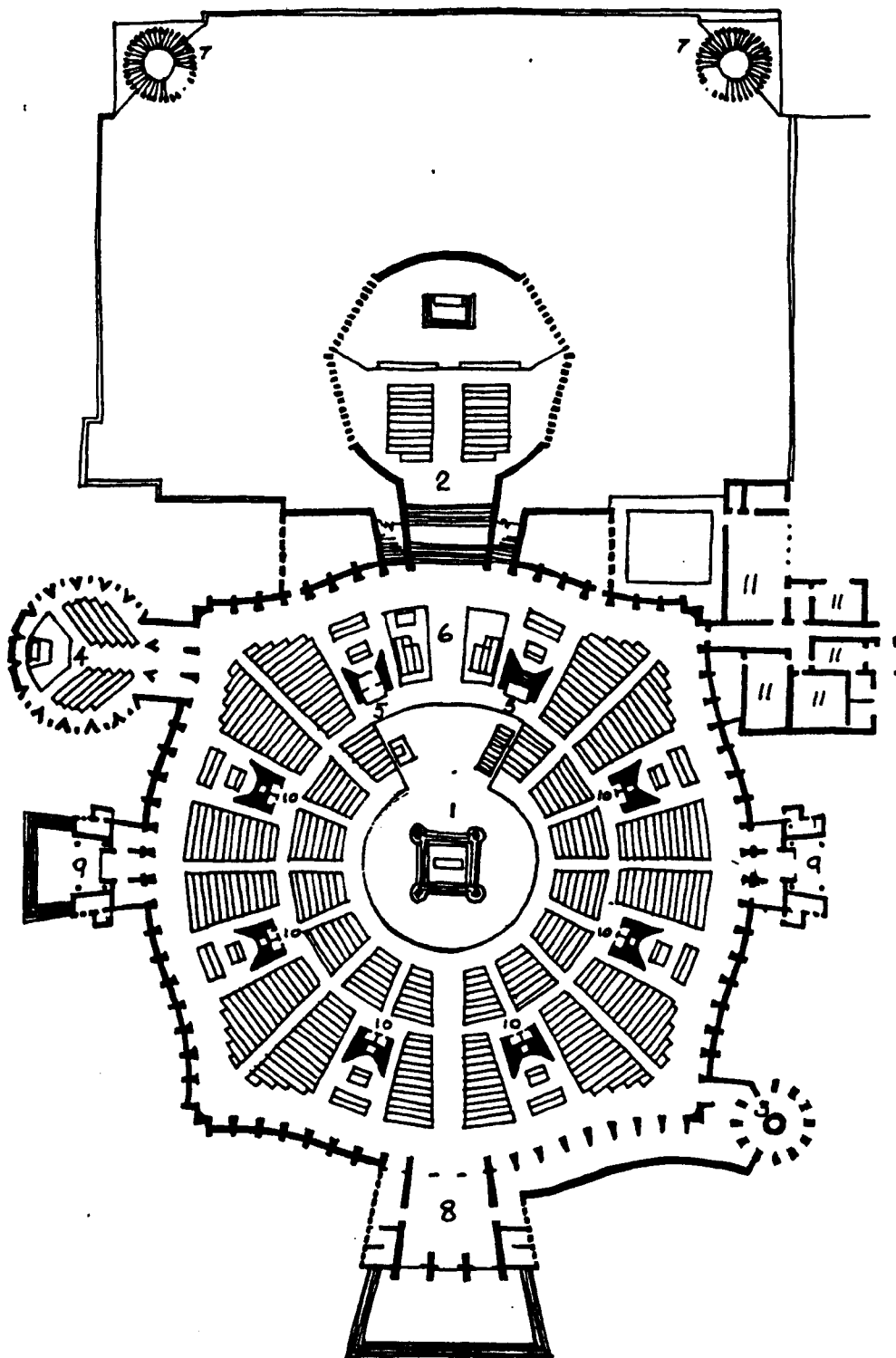
1 Sanctuary 2 Tabernacle 3 Baptistry 4 Chapel  
5 Confessionals 6 Sacristies 7 Entrance 8 Presbytery

St Brigid, Cardiff (1964), F R Bates & Son

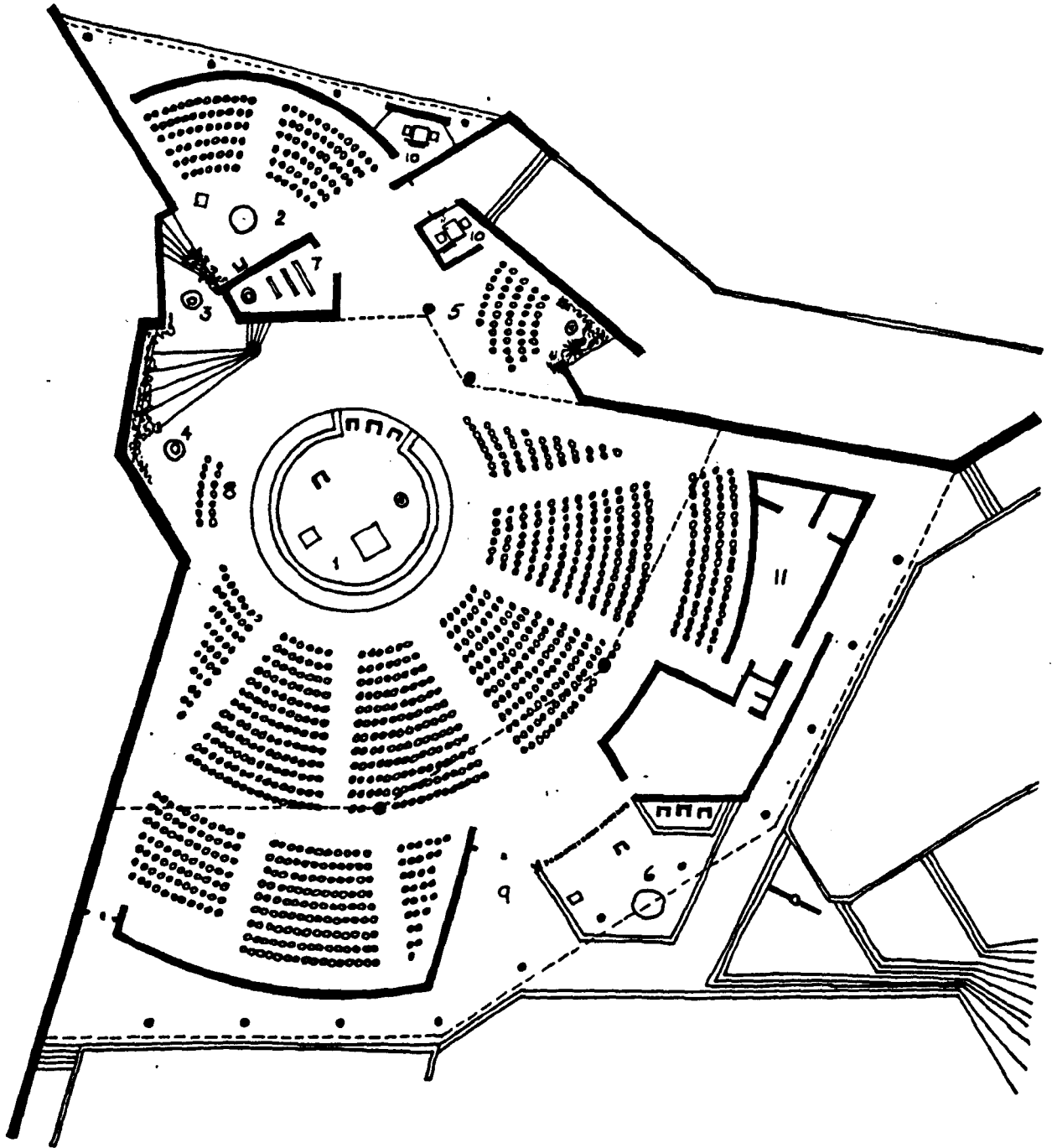
St Helen, Caerphilly (1964), F R Bates & Son



Metropolitan Cathedral of Christ the King, Liverpool (1967),  
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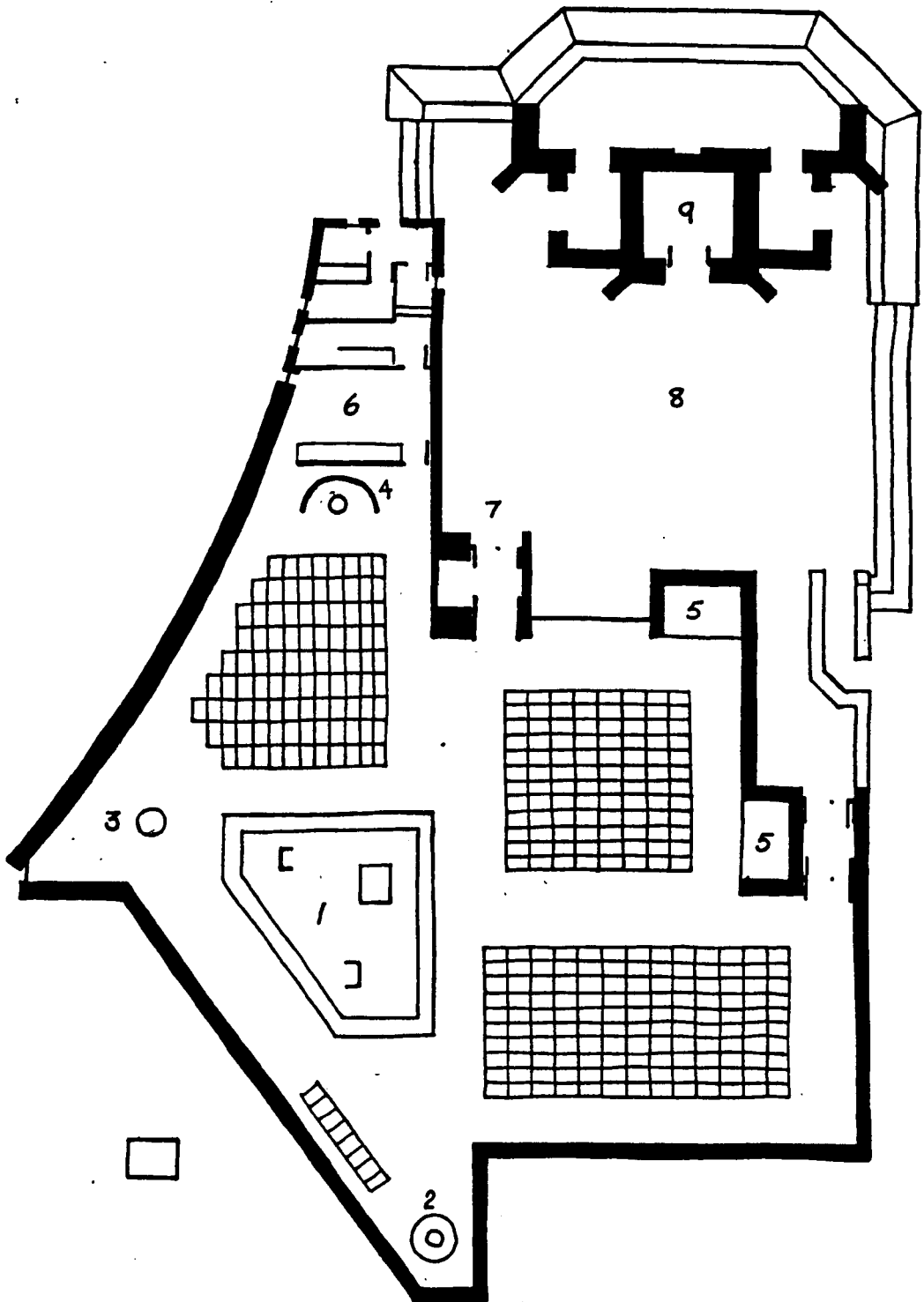


- 1 Sanctuary 2 Blessed Sacrament Chapel
- 3 Baptistery 4 Lady Chapel 5 Pulpits
- 6 Choir & Organ 7 Tower Stairs to Crypt
- 8 Main Entrance 9 Porches 10 Confessionals
- 11 Sacristies

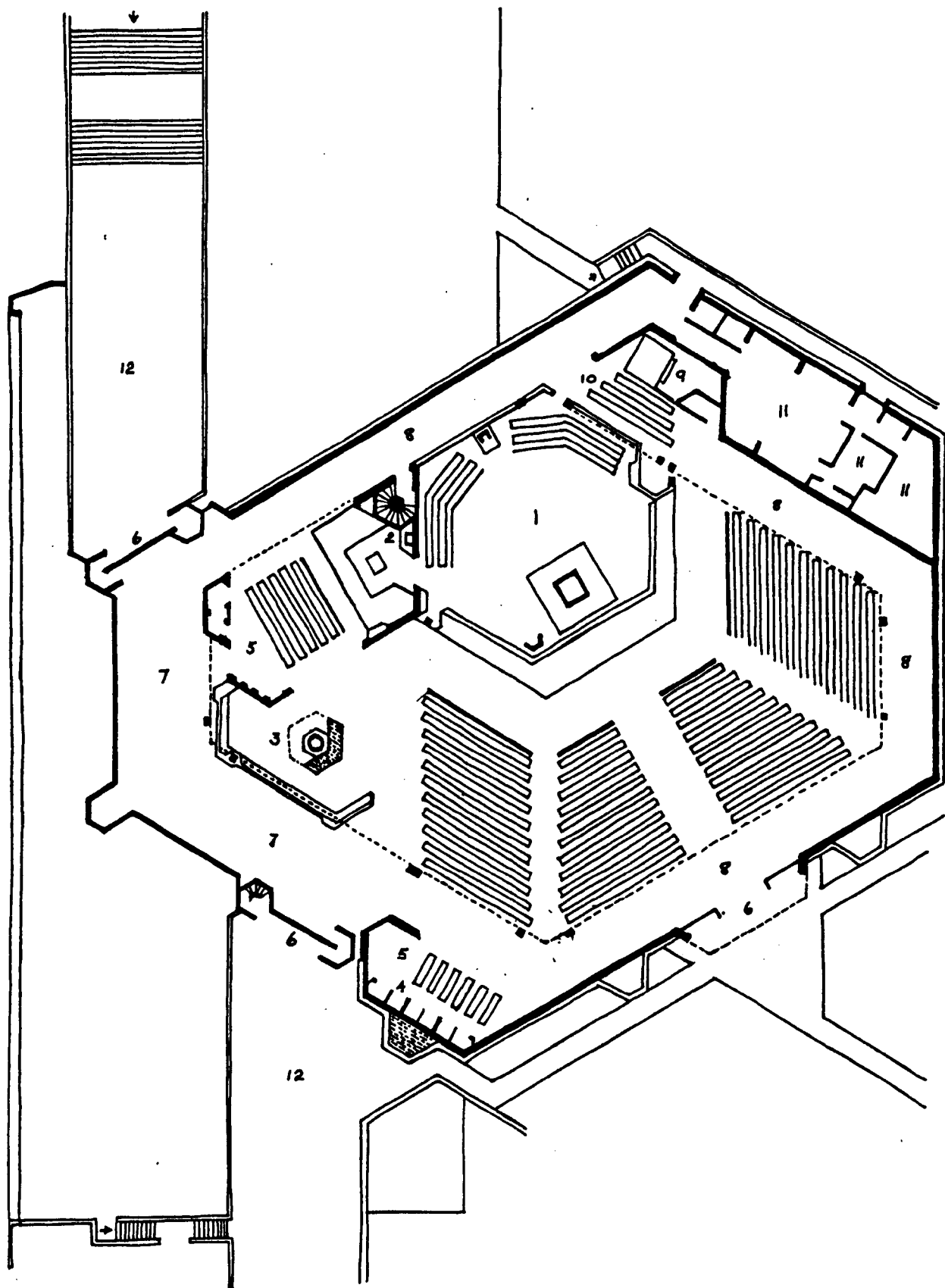


- 1 Sanctuary 2 Blessed Sacrament/Weekday Chapel
- 3 Tabernacle 4 Baptismal Font 5 Lady Chapel
- 6 External Sanctuary 7 Shrine 8 Choir
- 9 Main Entrance 10 Confessionals 11 Sacristy

Eldoret Cathedral Project, Kenya (1984), Tyndall Hogan & Hurley

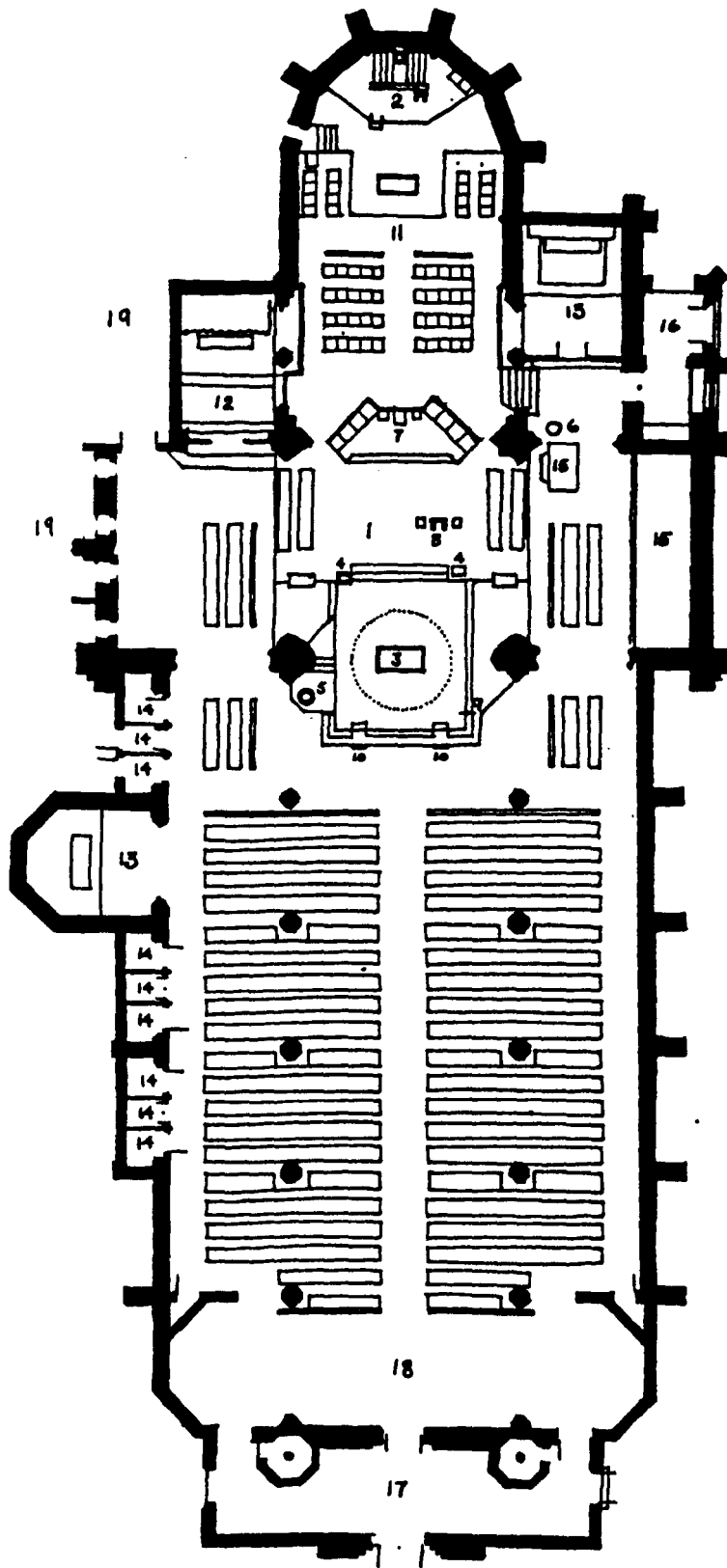


1 Sanctuary 2 Tabernacle 3 Font  
 4 Lady Shrine 5 Confessionals 6 Sacristy  
 7 Entrance 8 Court 9 Old Tower



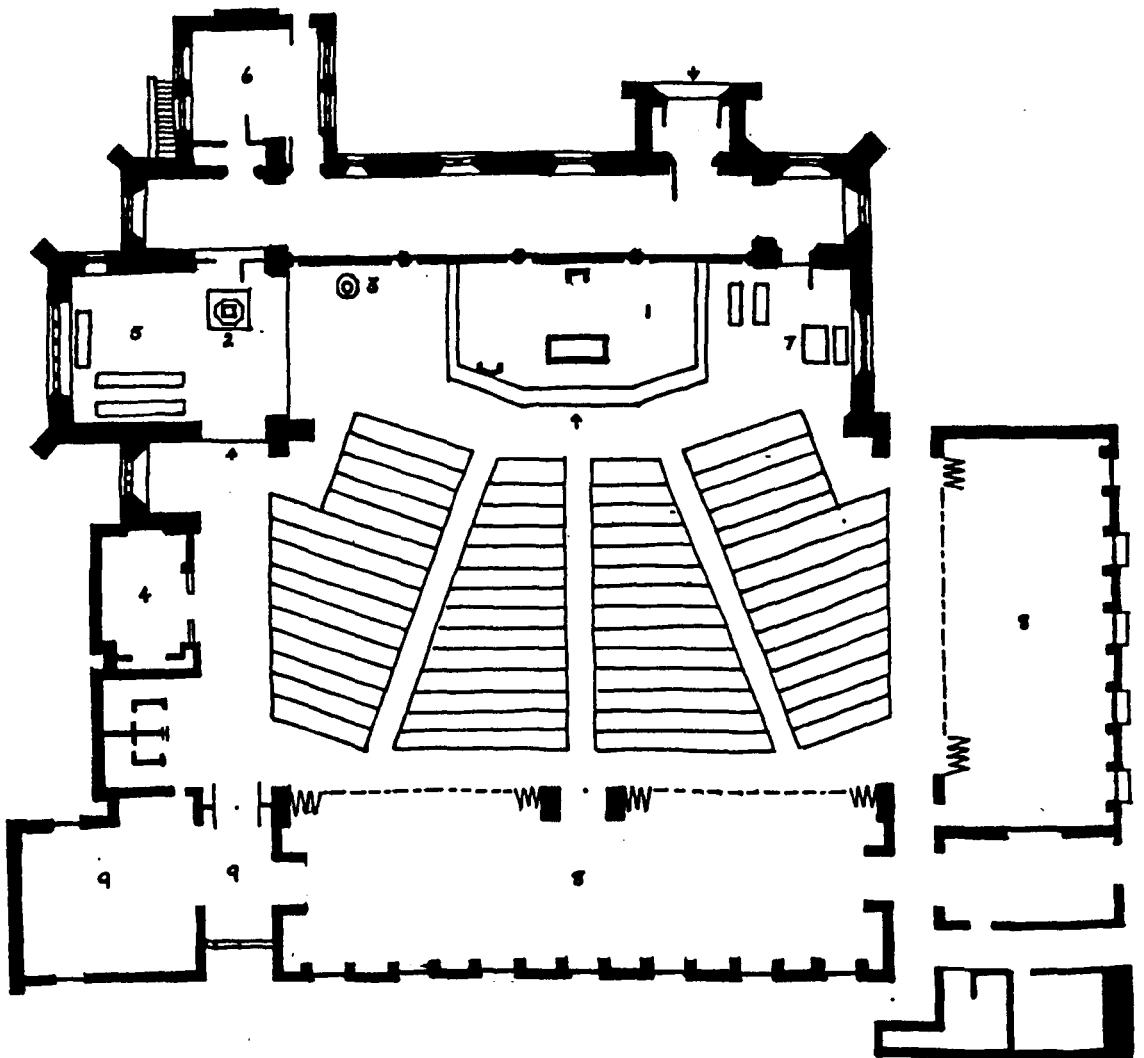
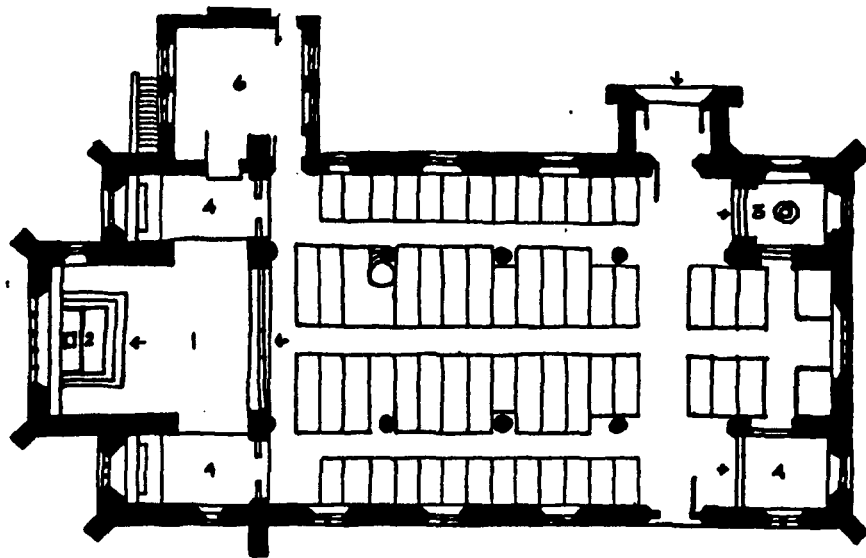
- 1 Sanctuary 2 Tabernacle 3 Baptistry 4 Confessionals  
 5 Chapels 6 Portals 7 North hex 8 Ambulatory  
 9 Organ 10 Choir 11 Sacristy 12 Atrium

Clifton Cathedral, Bristol (1973), Sir P Thomas Partnership



- 1 Sanctuary 2 Tabernacle 3 Main Altar with Corona
- 4 Ambones 5 Font 6 Old Font 7 Bishop's Throne
- 8 Celebrant's Chair 9 Crucifix 10 Communion Stations
- 11 Weekday Chapel 12 Lady Chapel 13 Chapels
- 14 Confessionals 15 Organ Console & Pipework
- 16 South Porch 17 West Porch 18 Narthex
- 19 Sacristies

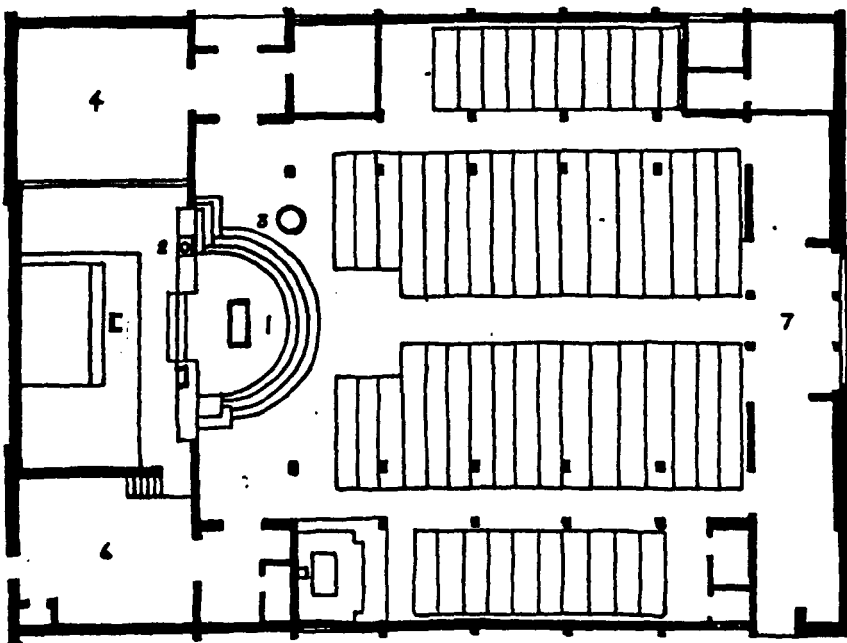
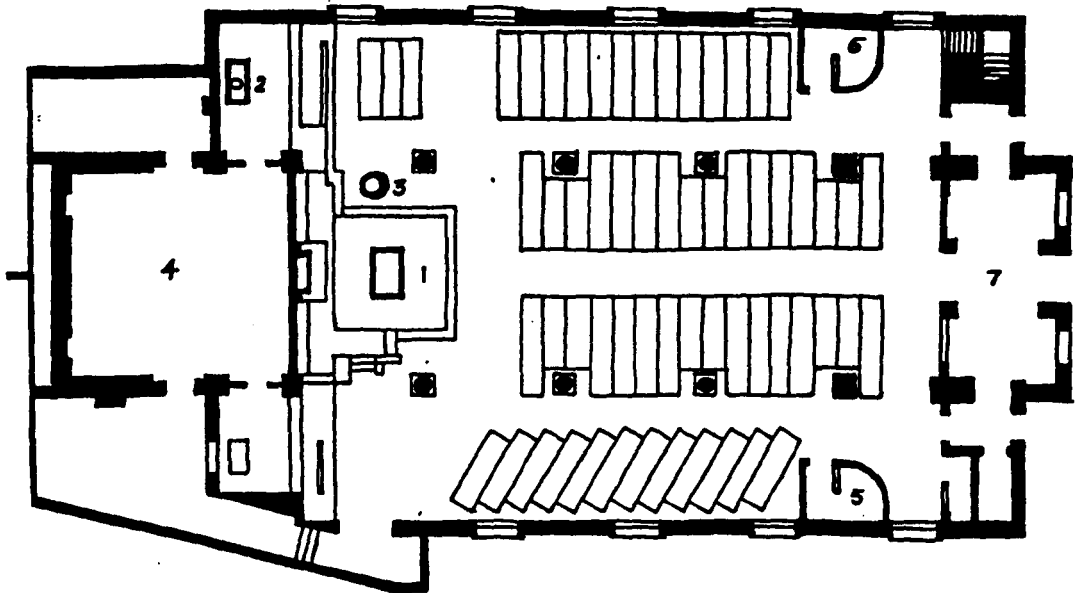
St John's Cathedral, Portsmouth Reordering (1971), Williams and Winkley



- 1 Sanctuary 2 Tabernacle 3 Font 4 Chapels
- 5 Confessionals 6 Society 7 Organ 8 Worship/Social Areas
- 9 Entrance

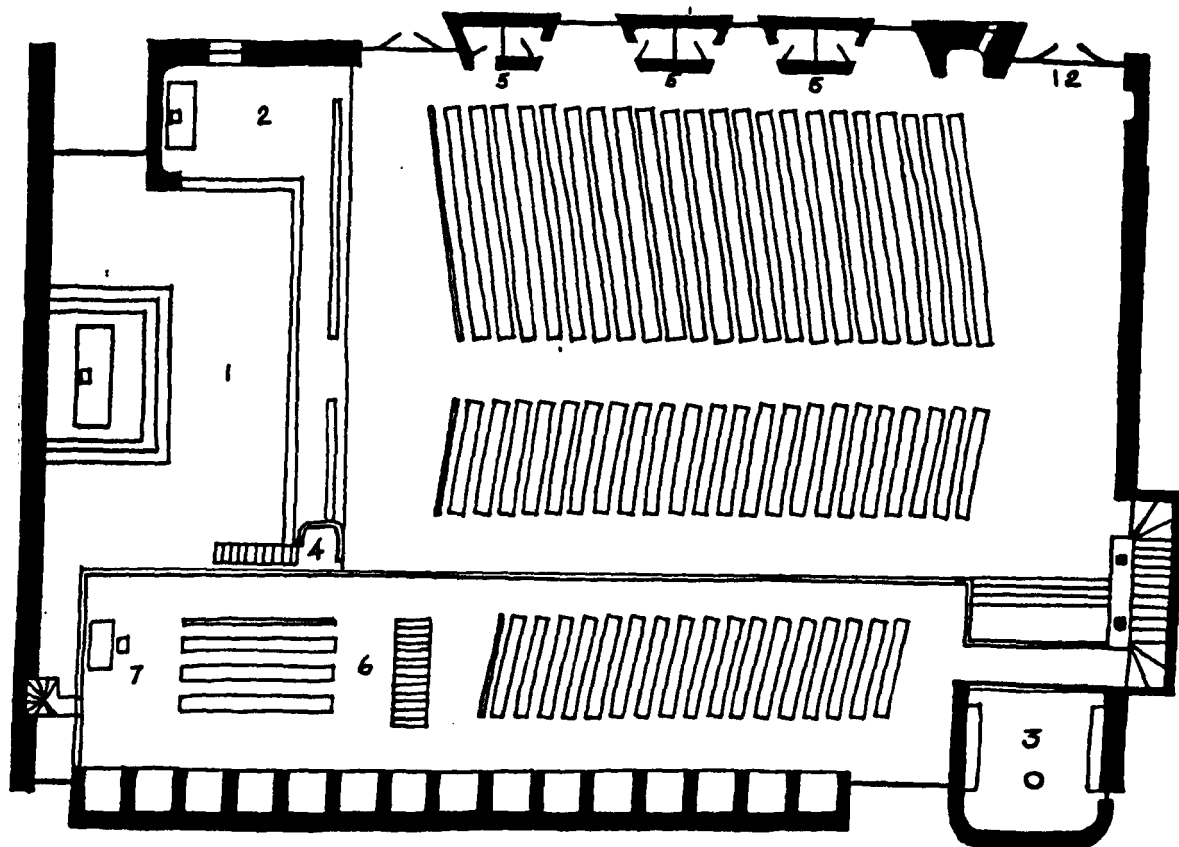
Brentwood Cathedral Reordering (1974), Burles Newton & Ptnrs



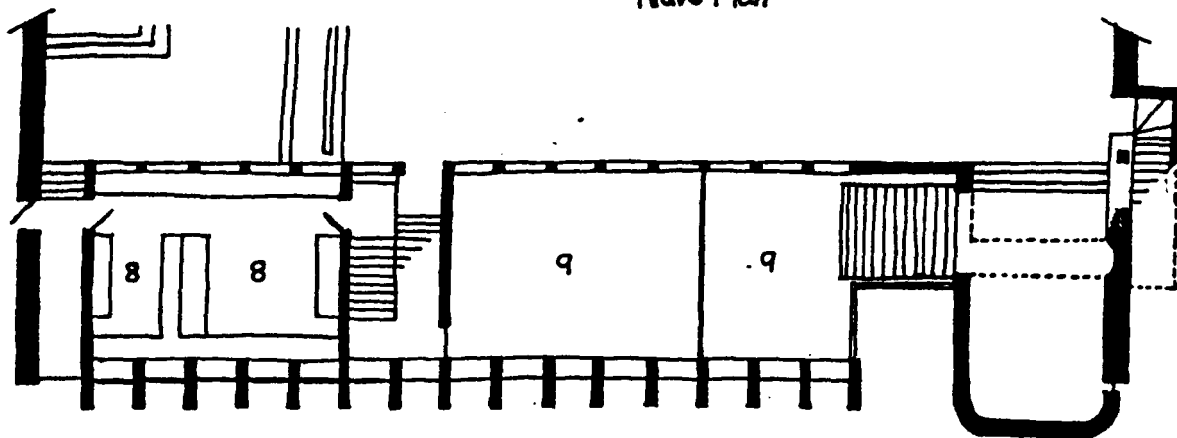


1 Sanctuary 2 Tabernacle 3 Font 4 Chapel  
5 Confessional 6 Sacristy 7 Entrance

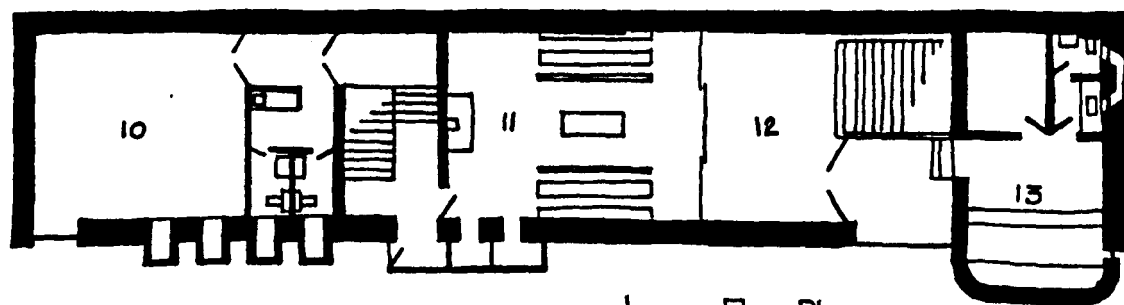
St Augustine, Barkingside Reordering (1980), Williams & Winkley  
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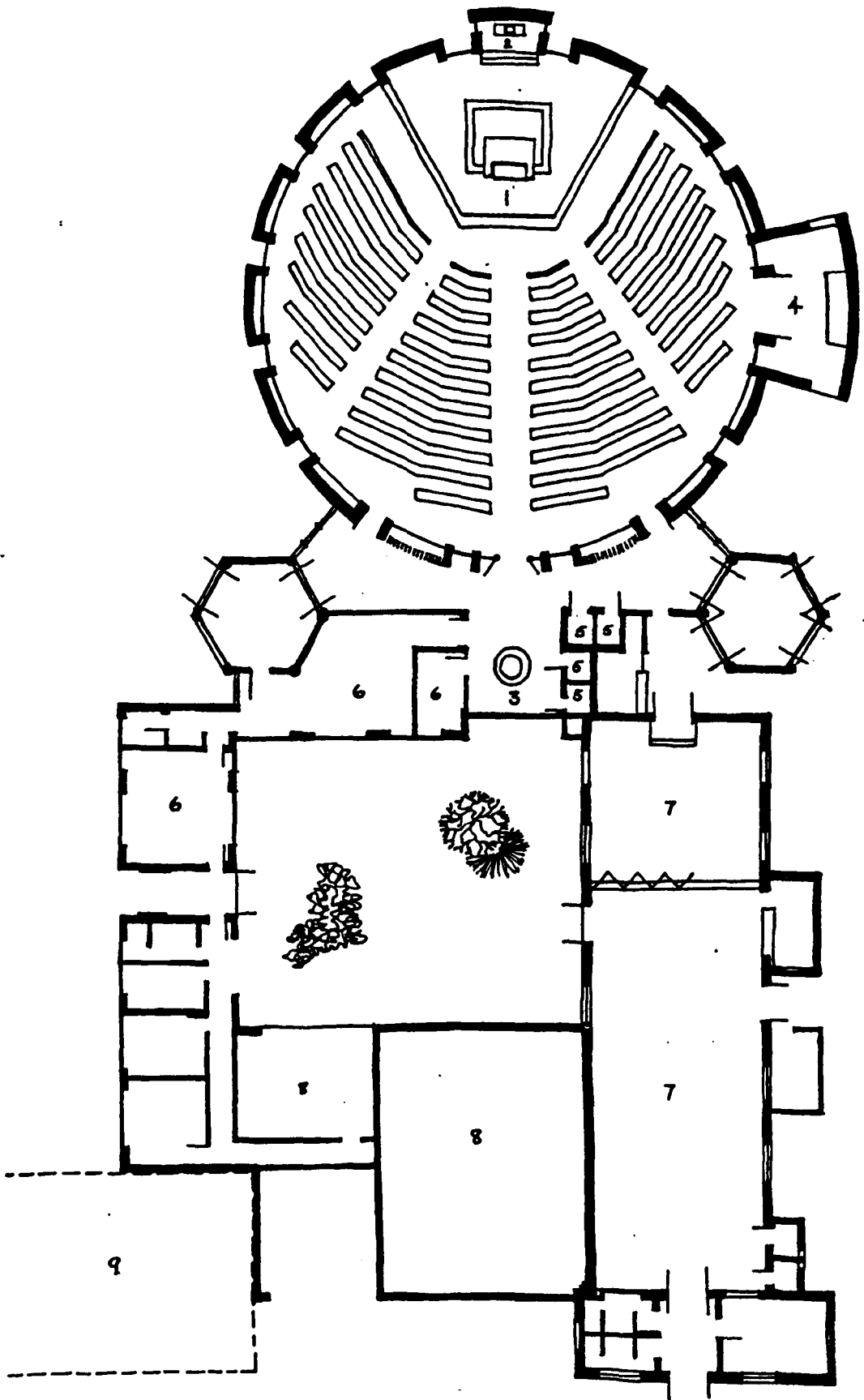


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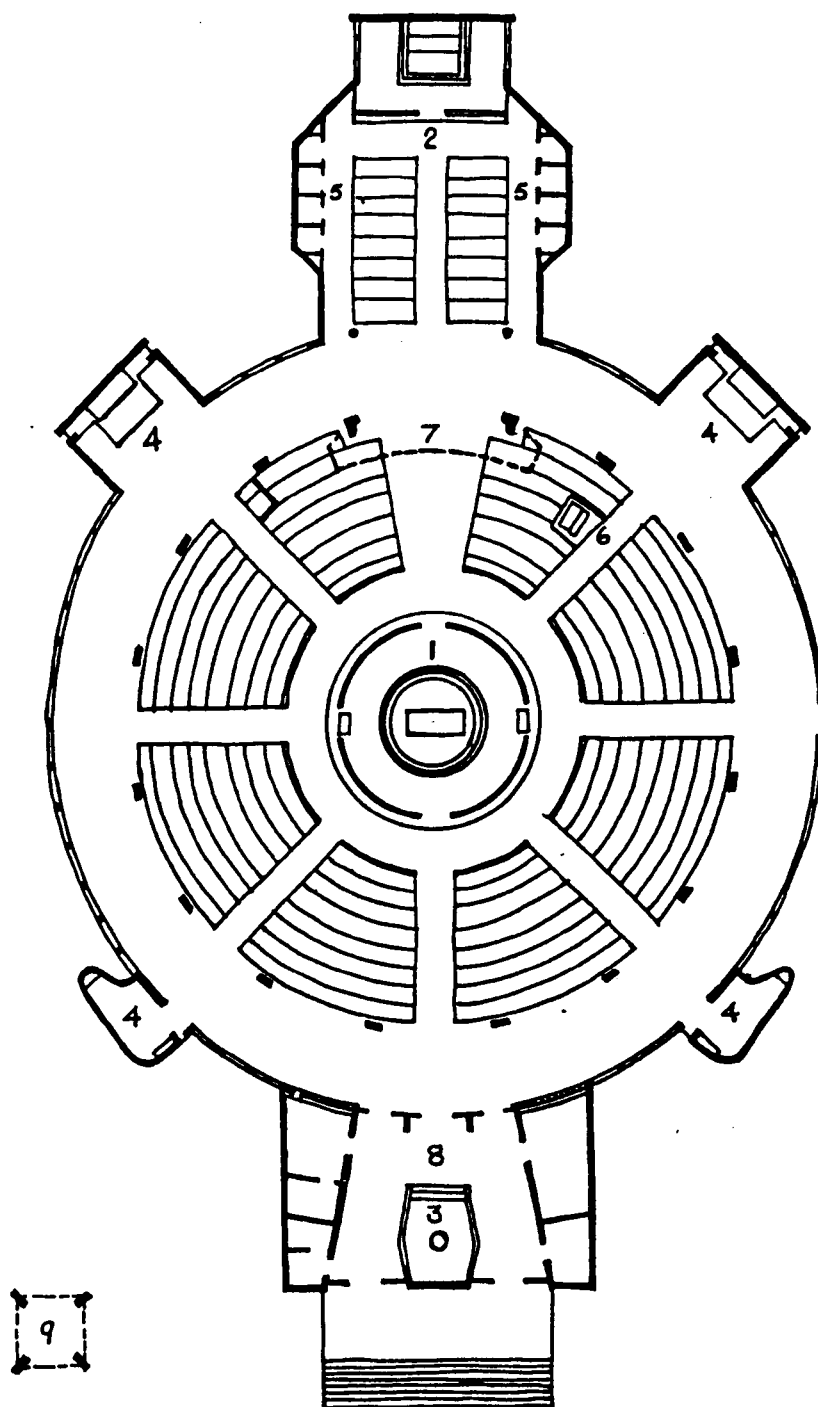


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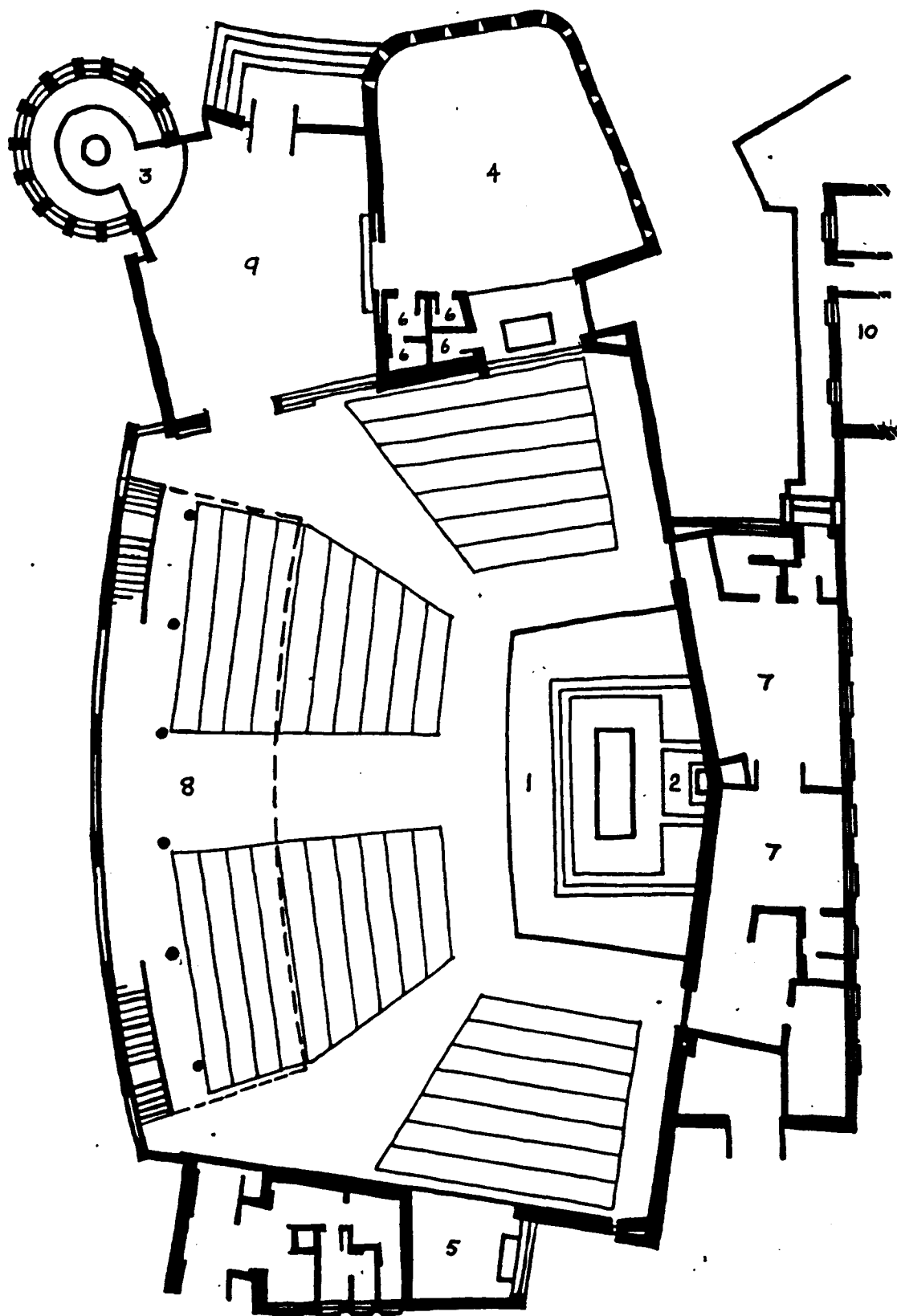
- 1 Sanctuary 2 Side Altar 3 Baptistry  
 4 Pulpit 5 Confessionals 6 Chair Gallery  
 7 Organ 8 Sacristies 9 Voids 10 Meeting  
 Room 11 Mortuary 12 Entrances 13 Bookstall



- 1 Sanctuary
- 2 Tabernacle
- 3 Baptistry
- 4 Lady Chapel
- 5 Confessionals
- 6 Sacristies
- 7 Social Areas (Ex Church)
- 8 Presbytery
- 9 Projected Extension

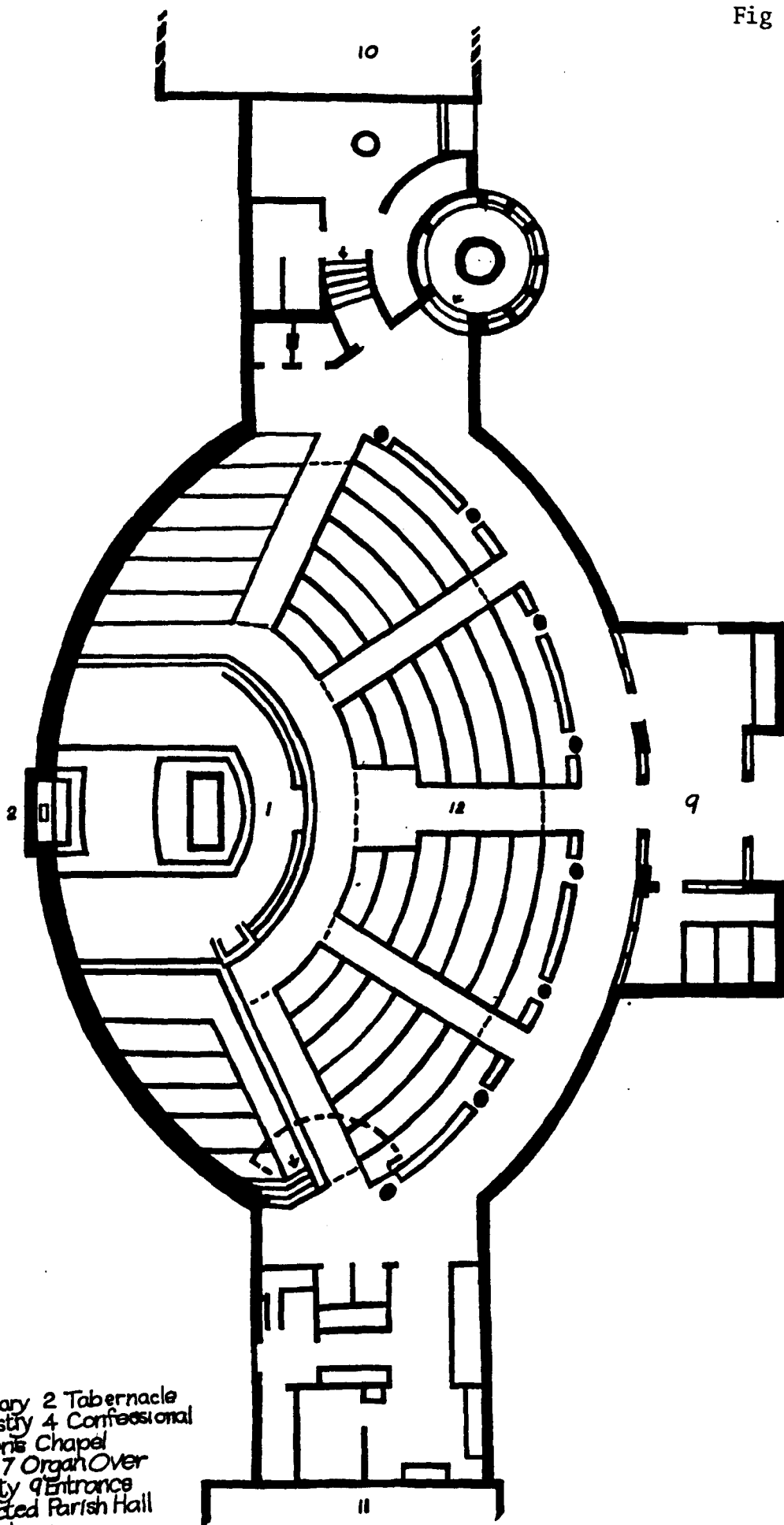


- 1 Sanctuary 2 Blessed Sacrament Chapel  
 3 Baptistery 4 Chapels 5 Confessionals  
 6 Organ Console 7 Organ Pipe (Over)  
 8 Main Entrance 9 Bell Tower

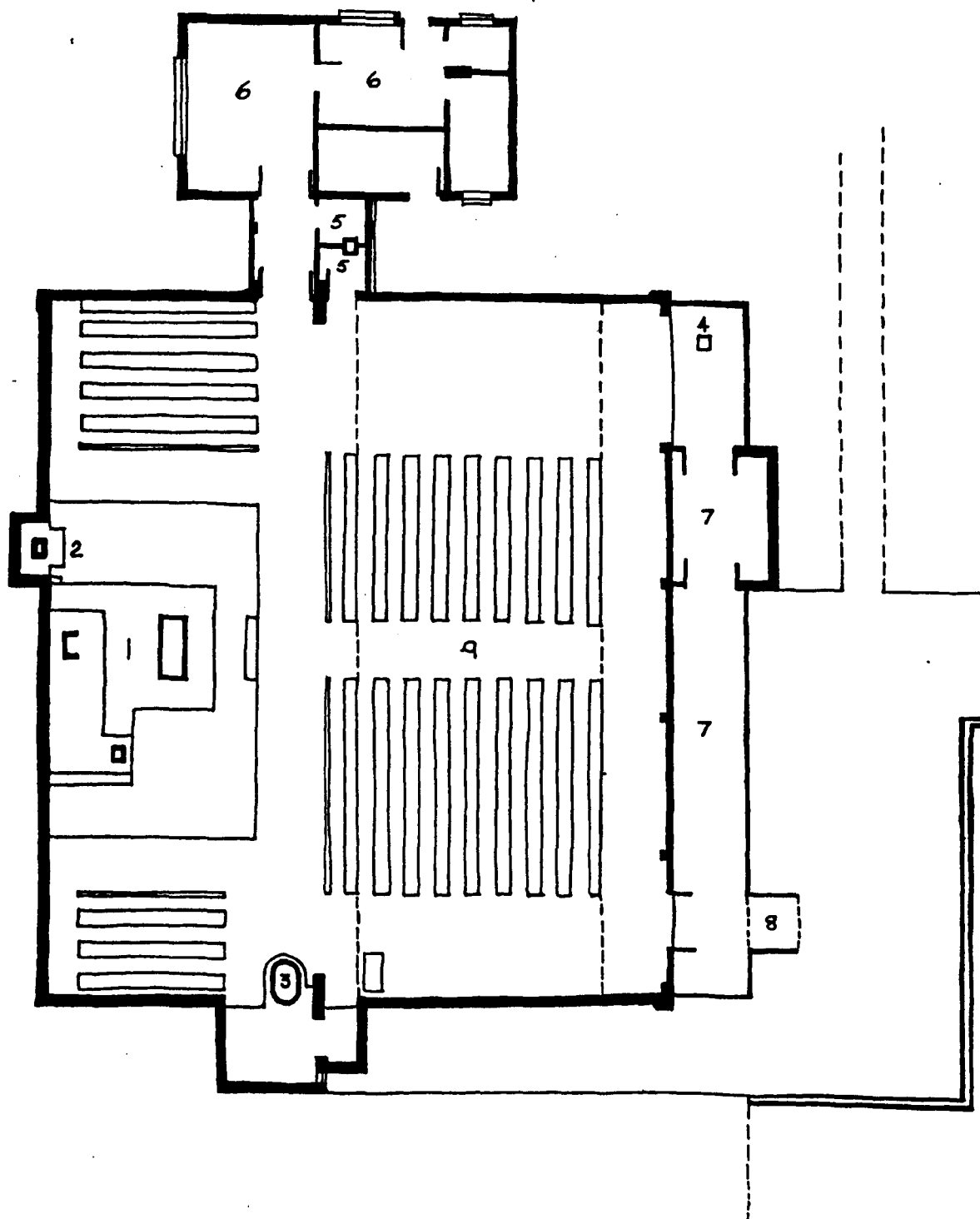


1 Sanctuary 2 Tabernacle 3 Baptistry  
 4 Weekday Chapel 5 Lady Chapel  
 6 Confessional 7 Sacristies 8 Balcony Over  
 9 Entrance 10 Presbytery

Our Lady of the Wayside, Shirley, Birmingham (1967), Rush Granelli & Ptnrs

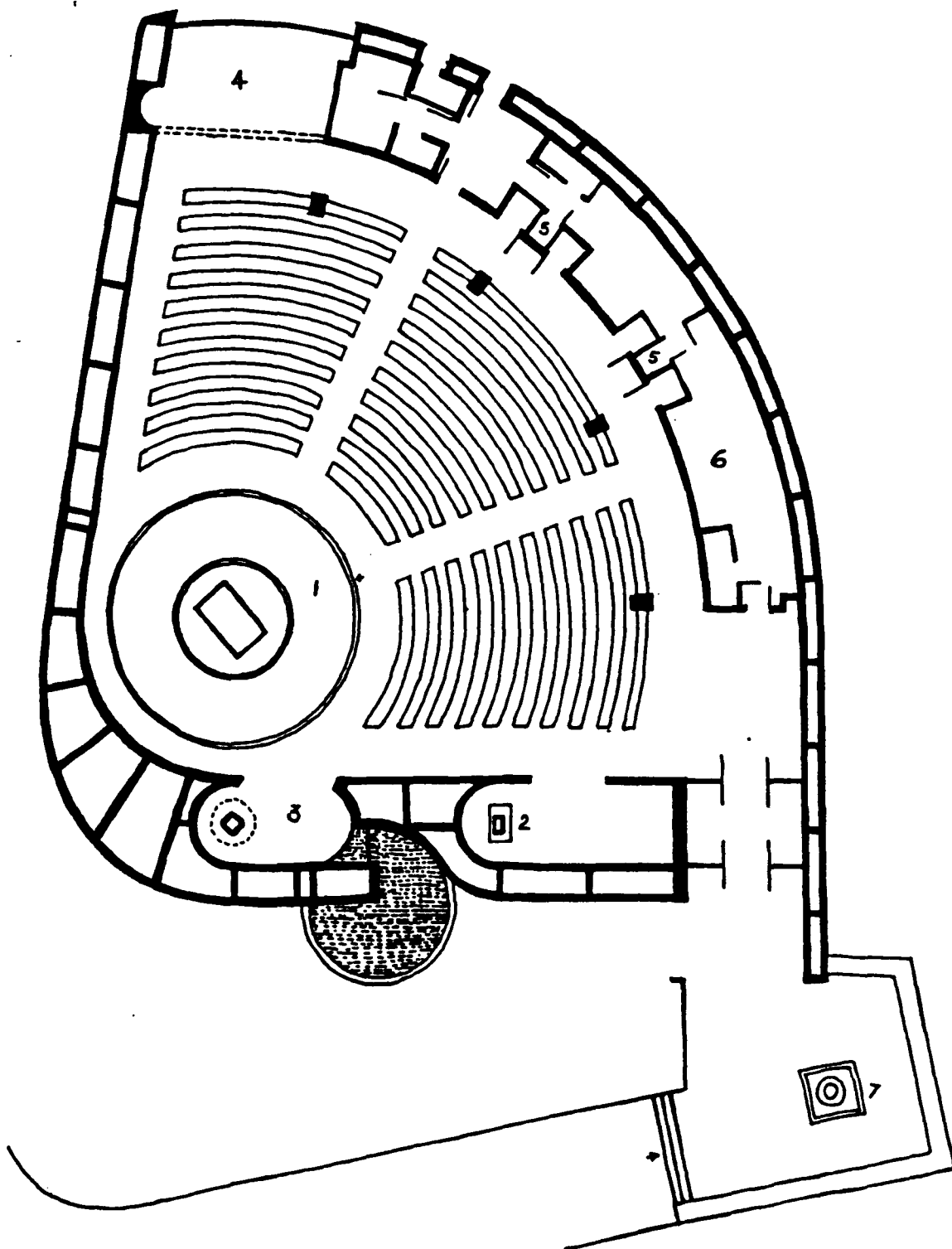


St Gregory, Ruislip (1967), G Goalen



1 Sanctuary 2 Tabernacle 3 Font 4 Stoup  
 5 Confessional 6 Sacristies 7 Covered Entrance  
 & Porch 8 Ramp Up 9 Floor Sloping Down

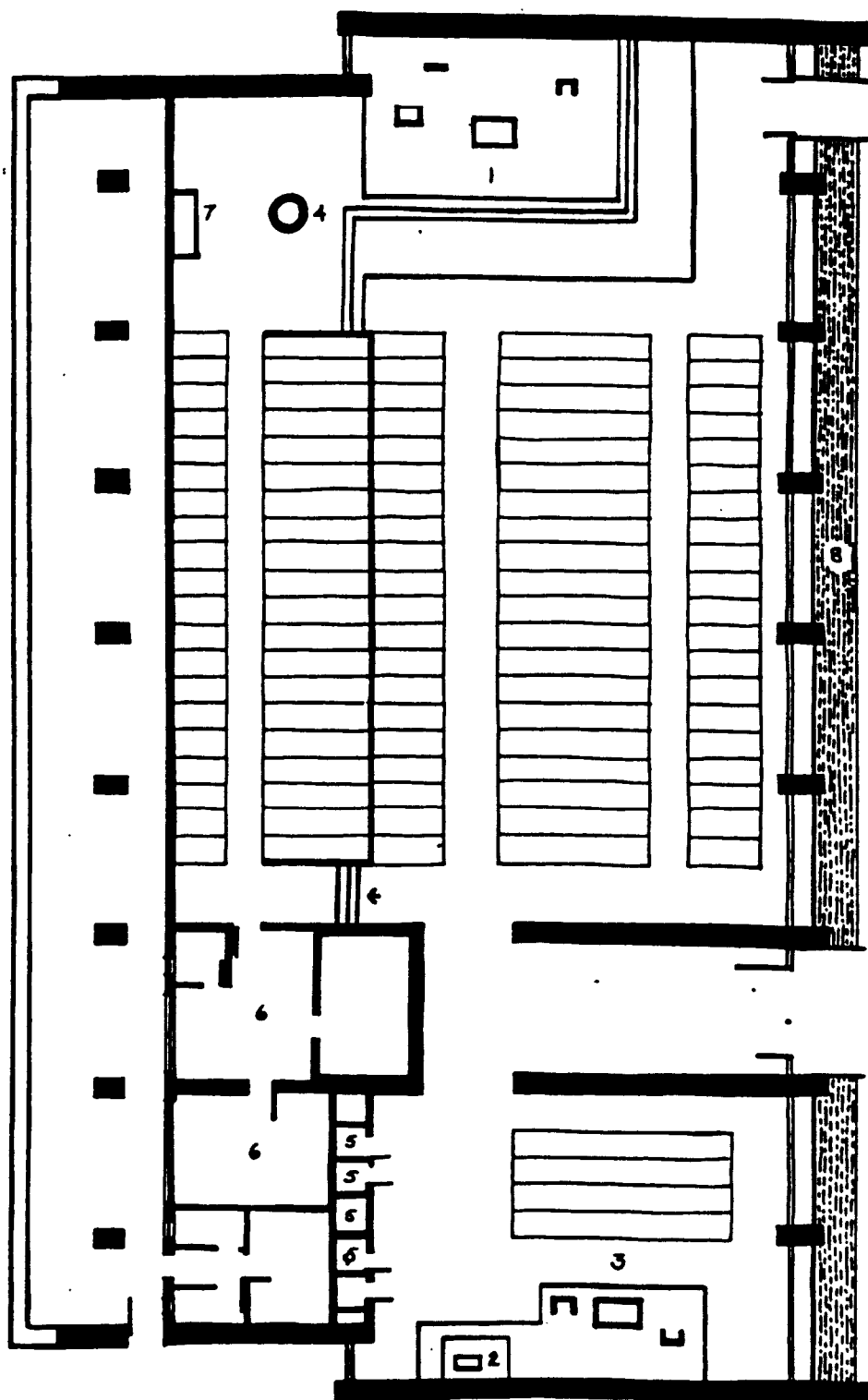
Our Lady of the Rosary, Donnington (1967), R O'Mahony & Ptnrs



1 Sanctuary 2 Tabernacle 3 Baptistry & Pod  
4 Lady Chapel 5 Confessionals 6 Sacristies  
7 Bell Frame

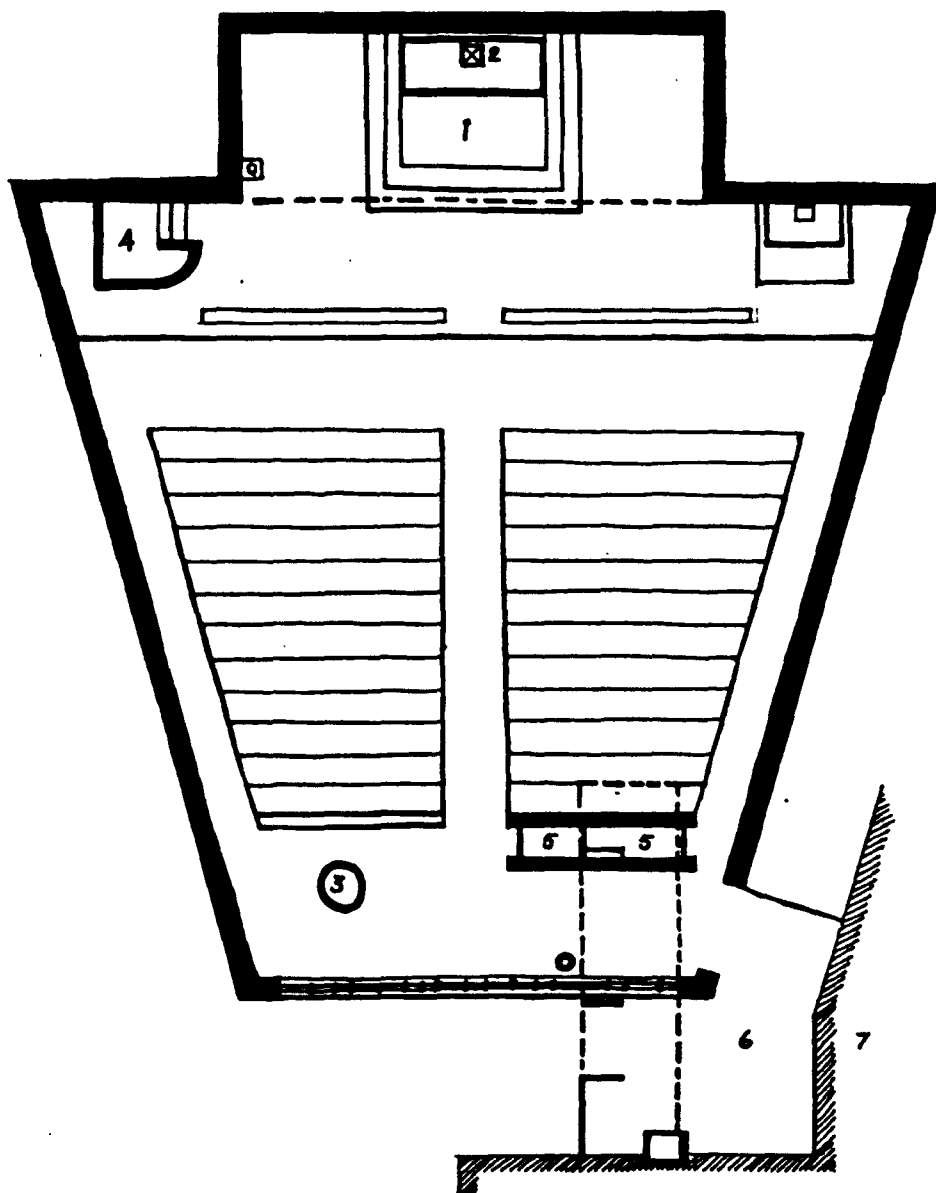
St Michael, Creeslough (1971), Corr & McCormick





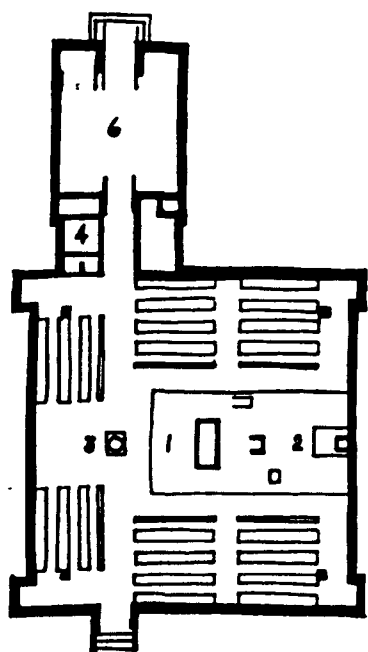
1 Sanctuary 2 Tabernacle 3 Chapel  
4 Font 5 Confessionals 6 Sacristies  
7 Organ 8 Pool 9 Entrance

St Connell, Glenties, Co Donegal (1975), Corr & McCormick

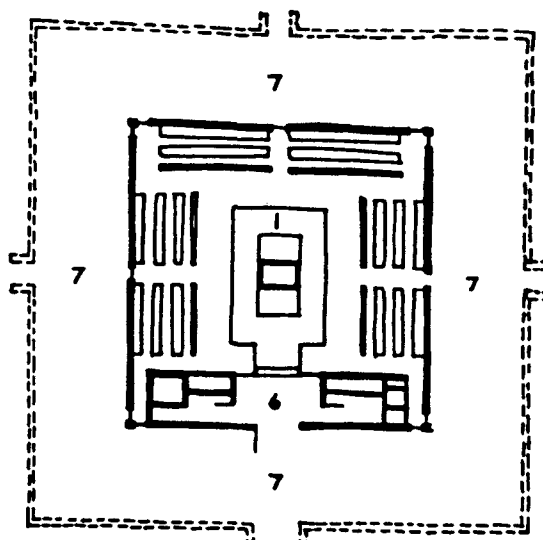


1 Sanctuary 2 Tabernacle 3 Font 4 Pulpit  
5 Confessional 6 Entrance 7 Presbytery

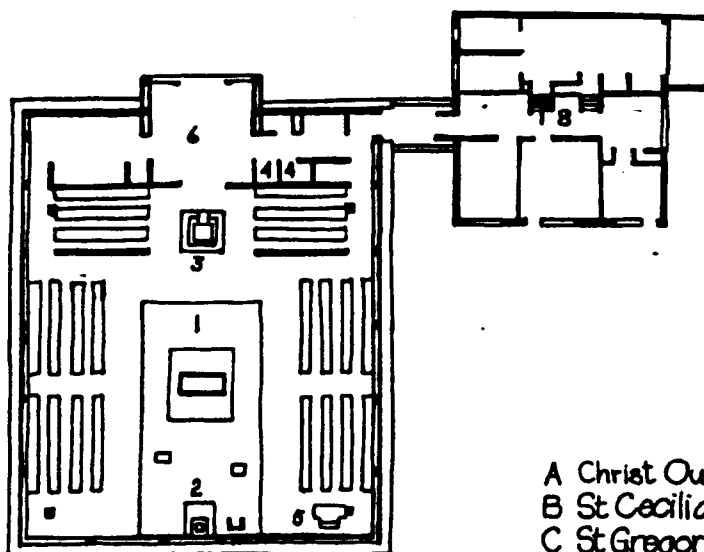
St Paul, Glenrothes (1958), Gillespie Kidd & Coia



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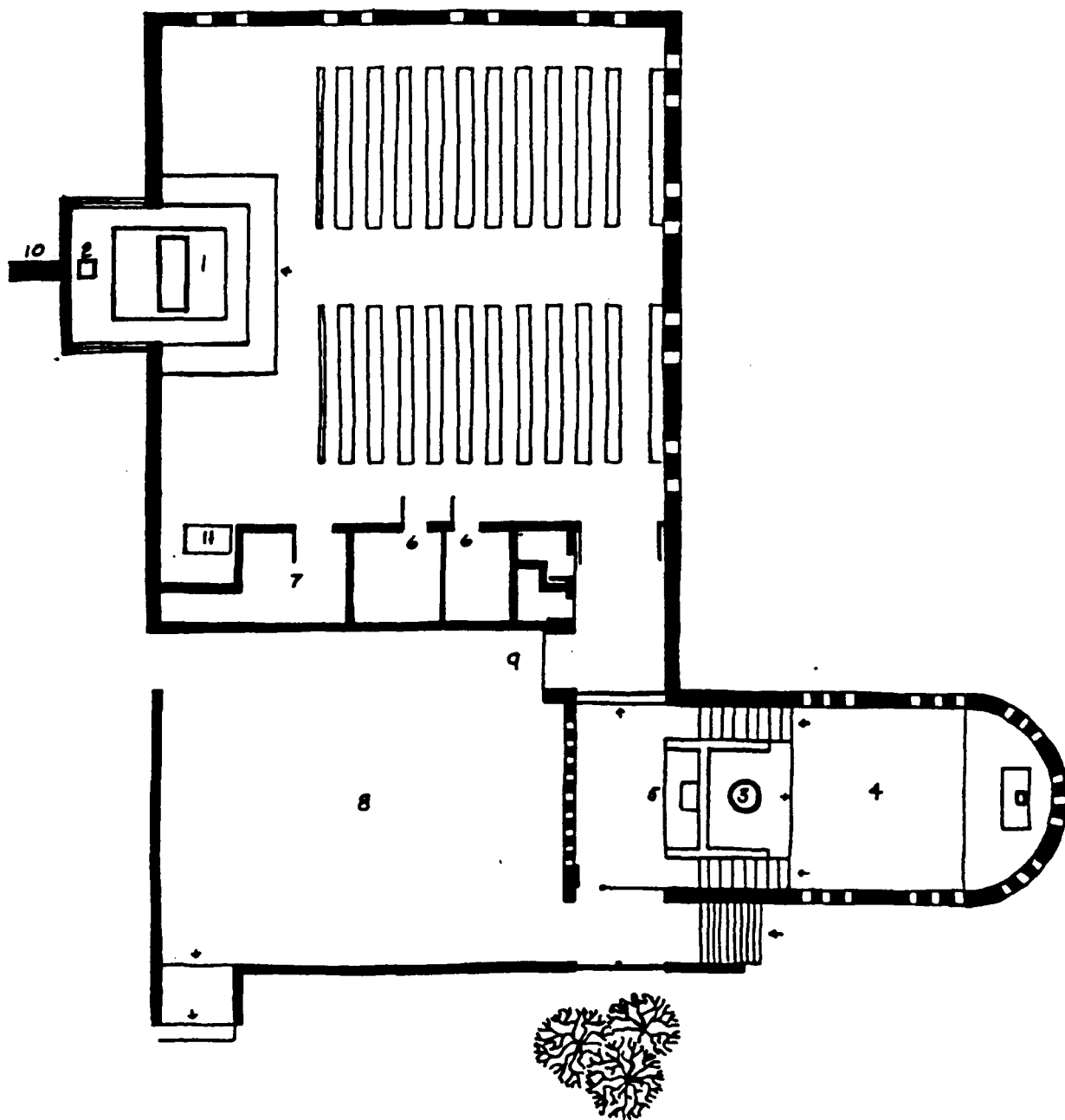
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- A Christ Our Hope, Beare Green
- B St Cecilia, Trimley
- C St Gregory, Alresford

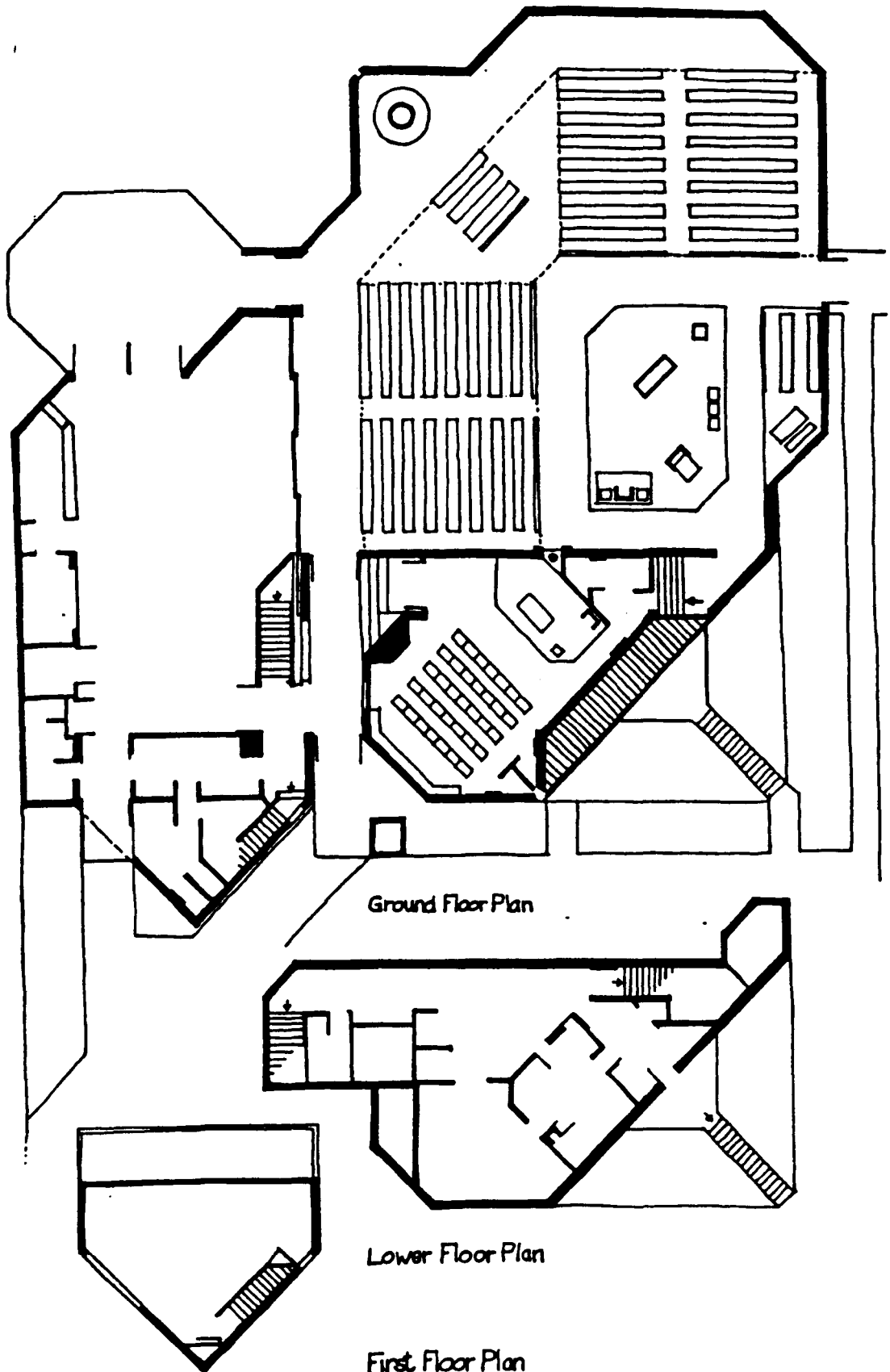
*Plans to Same Scale*

1 Sanctuary 2 Tabernacle 3 Font  
 4 Confessional 5 Organ 6 Entrance  
 7 Projected Expansion 8 Presbytery

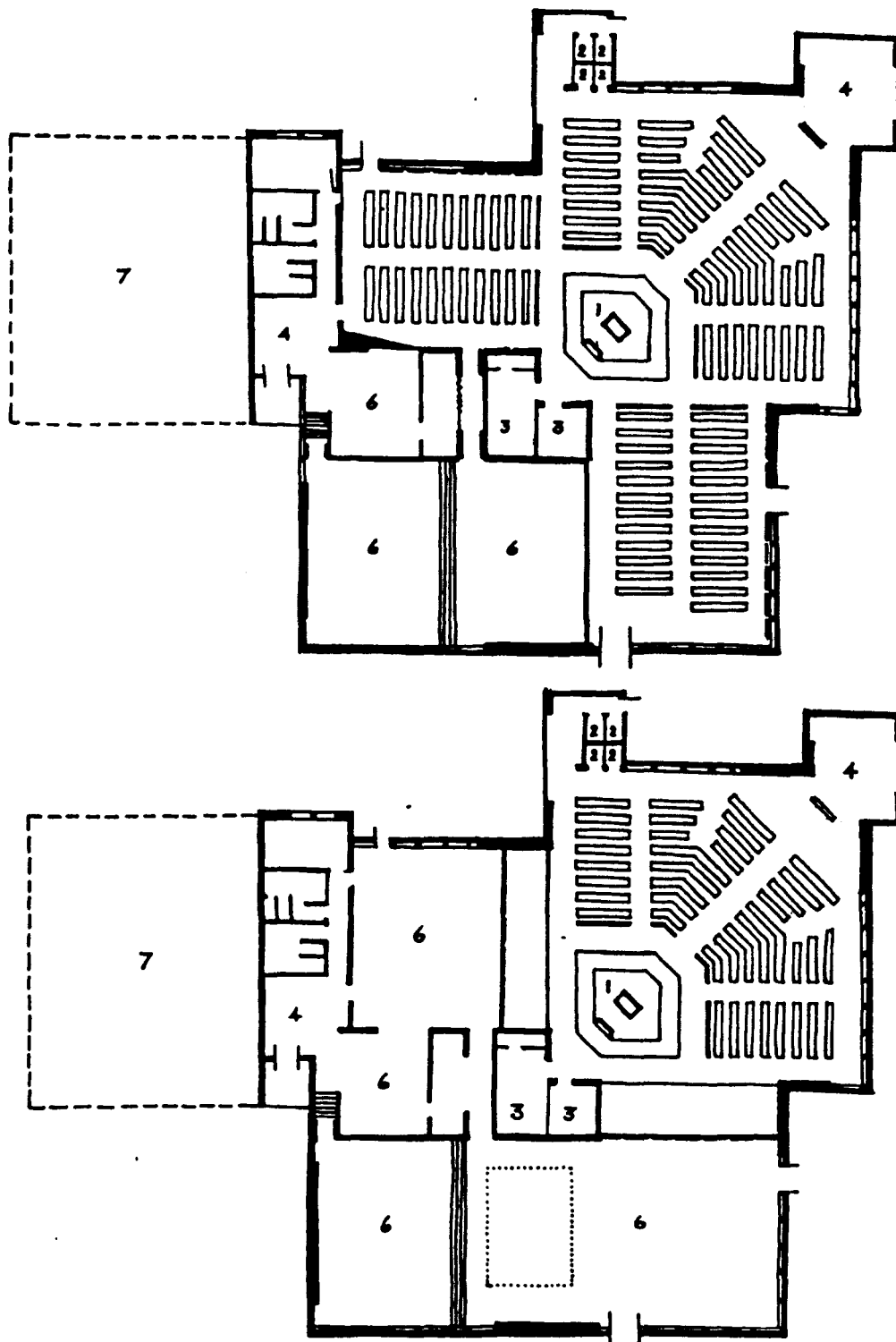
- A Christ Our Hope, Beare Green (1970), Melhuish Wright & Evans
- B St Cecilia, Trimley (1966), Wright Bellalta & Evans
- C St Gregory, Alresford (1968), Melhuish Wright & Evans



- 1 Sanctuary 2 Tabernacle 3 Baptistry  
 4 Chapel 5 Shrine 6 Confessionals?  
 7 Sacristy 8 Courtyard 9 Entrance  
 10 Bell Tower 11 Organ

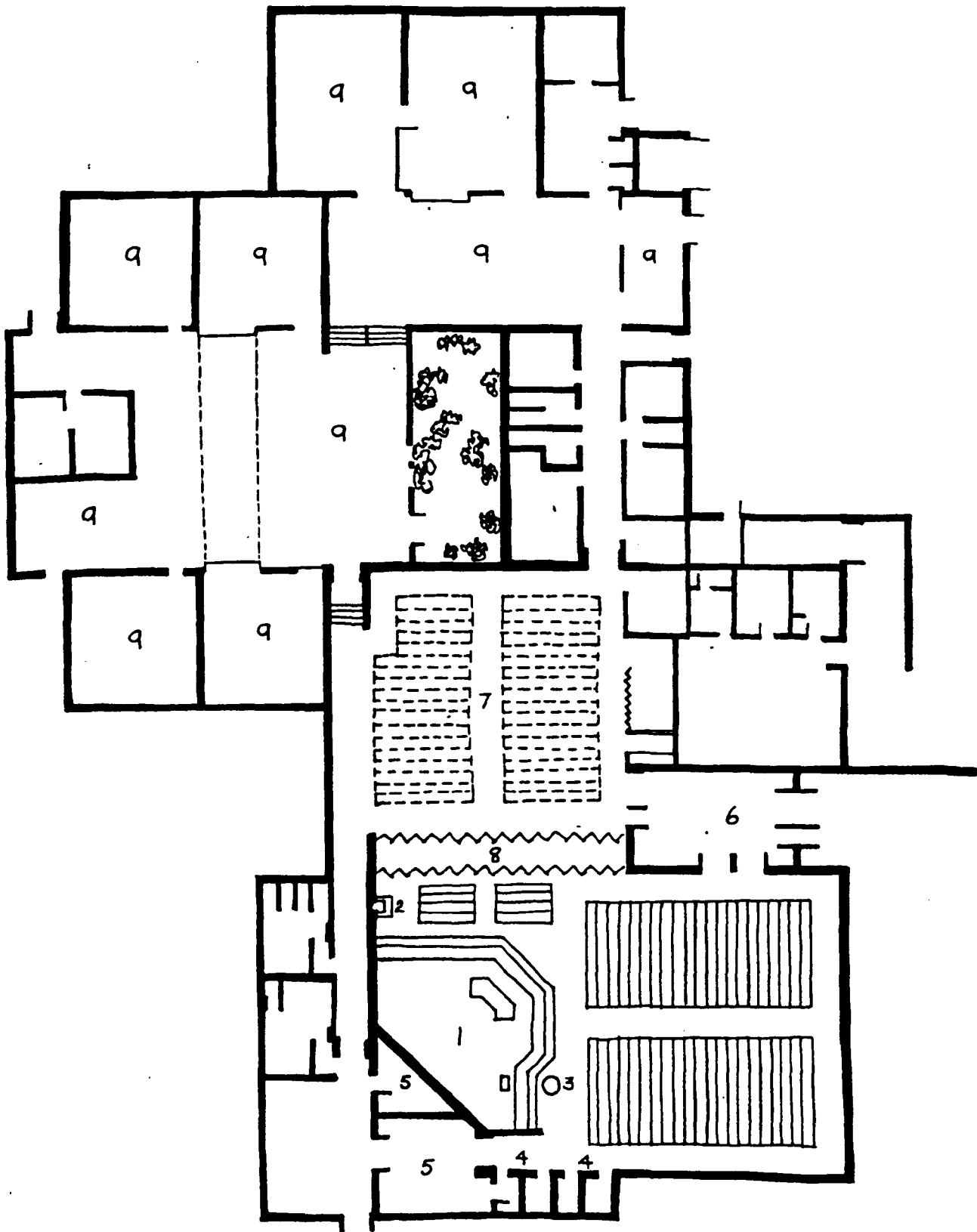


- 1 Sanctuary 2 Tabernacle 3 Font 4 Confessional  
 5 Chapel 6 Entrance 7 Northex/Social Area  
 8 Societies 9 Reading Room

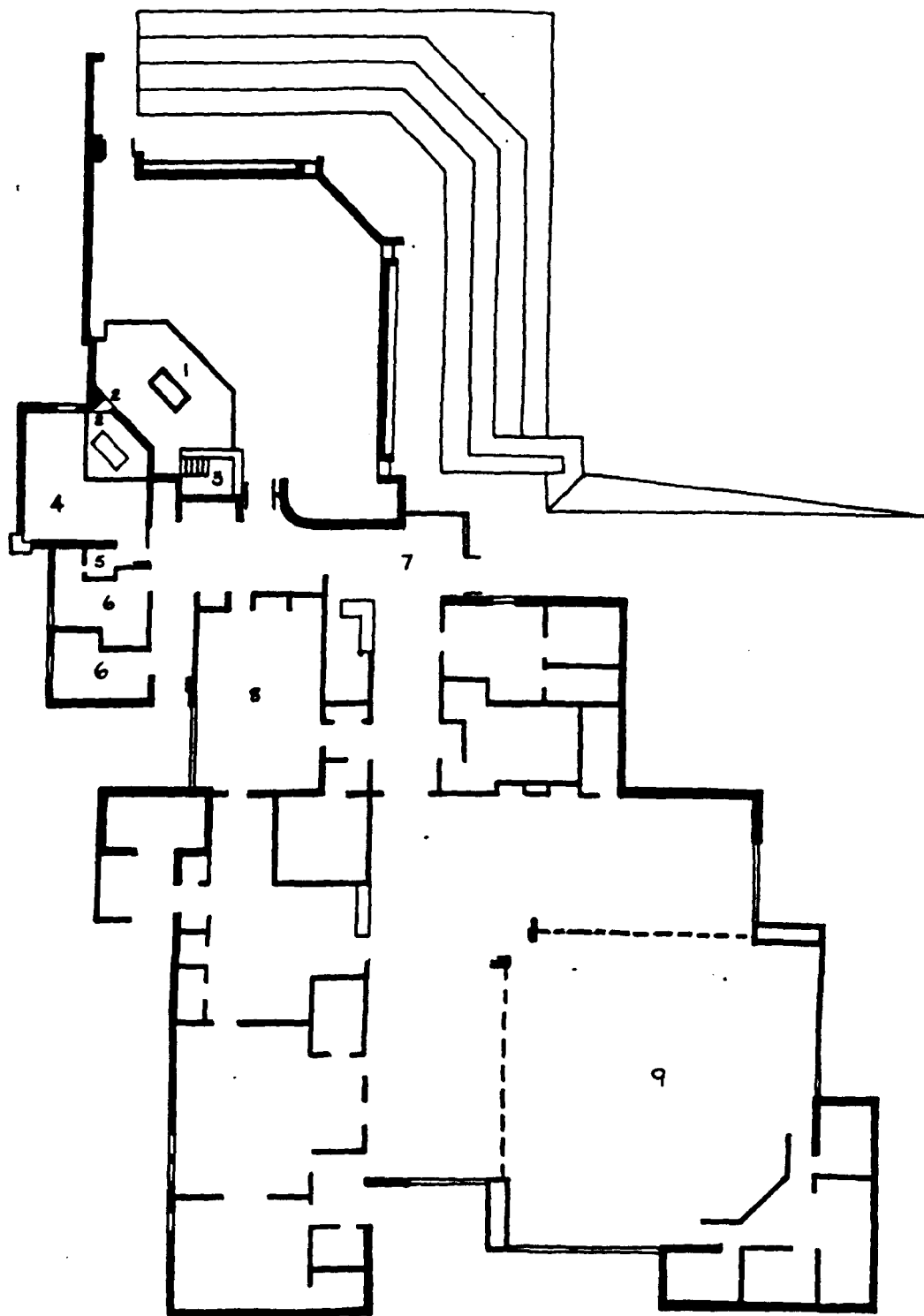


1 Sanctuary 2 Confessionals 3 Sacristies  
4 Entrances 5 Chair Stores 6 Social Areas  
7 Projected Youth Club Extension

St Helen, Crosby (1974), Weightman & Bullen



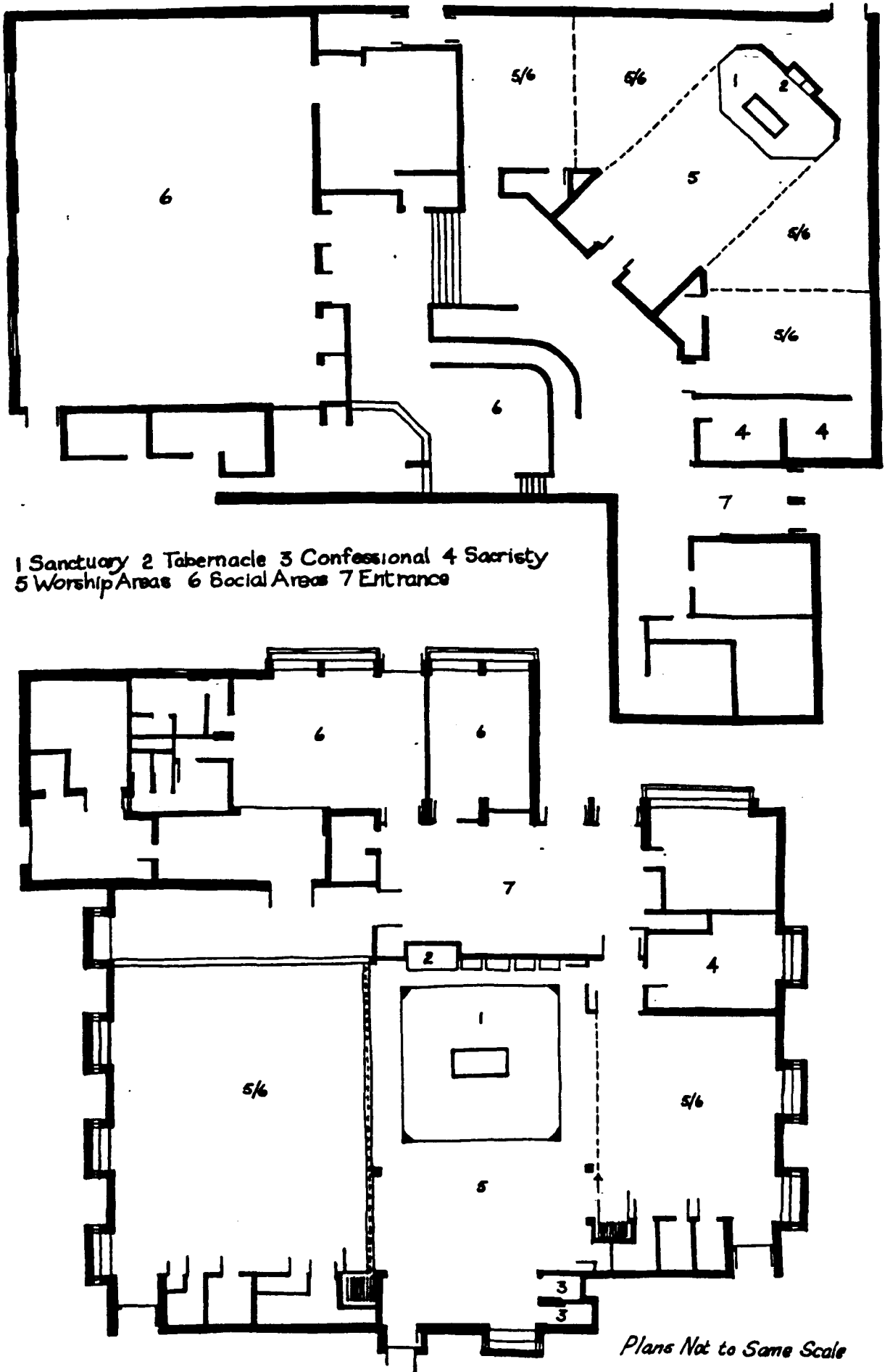
- 1 Sanctuary 2 Tabernacle 3 Baptismal Font  
 4 Confessionals 5 Sacristies 6 Church Entrance  
 7 School Hall 8 Screens & Chair Store 9 Teaching Areas

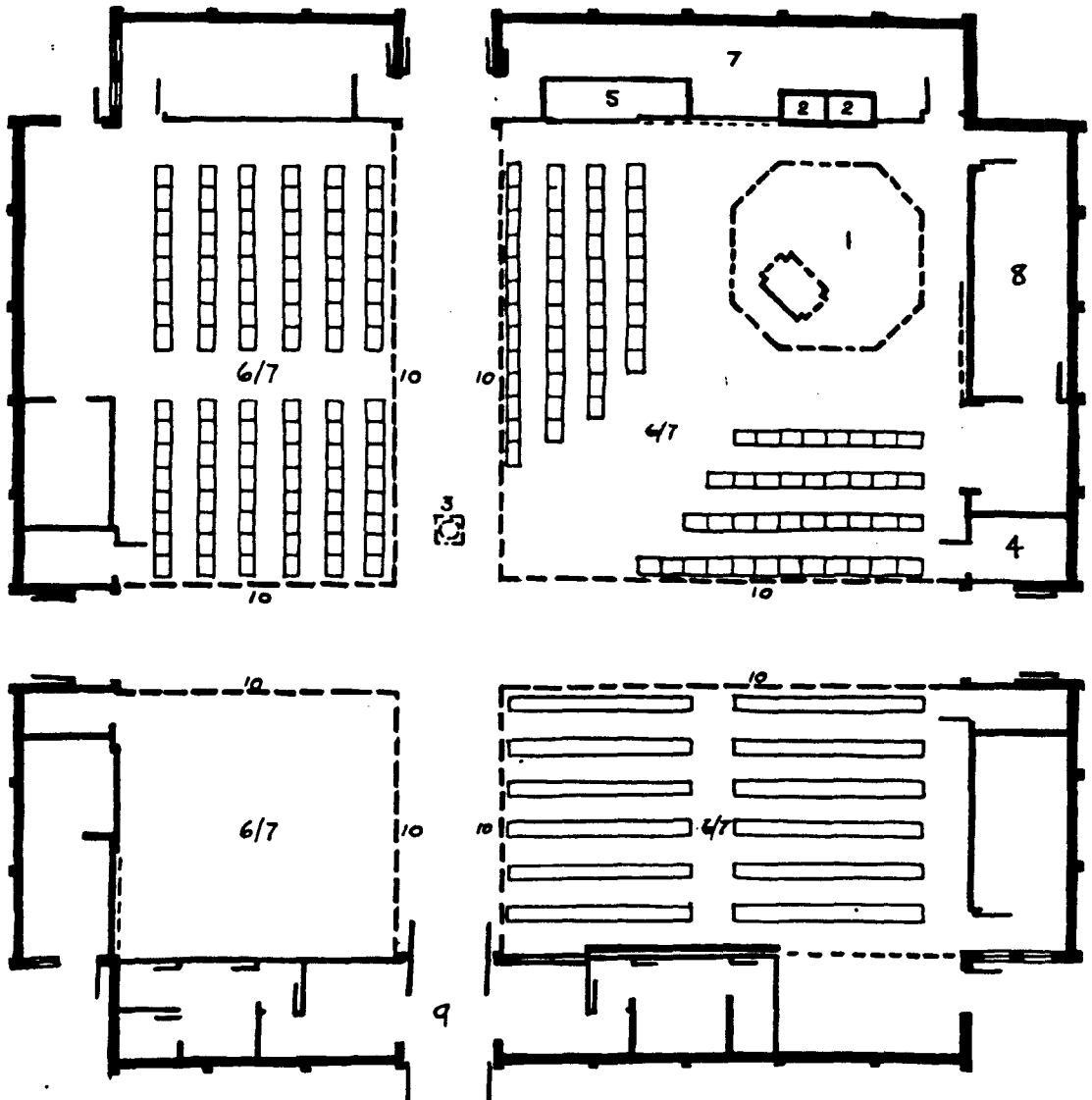


1 Sanctuary 2 Tabernacle 3 Baptistry  
4 RC Chapel 5 Confessional 6 Sacristy  
7 Entrance 8 Church Hall 9 Community Centre

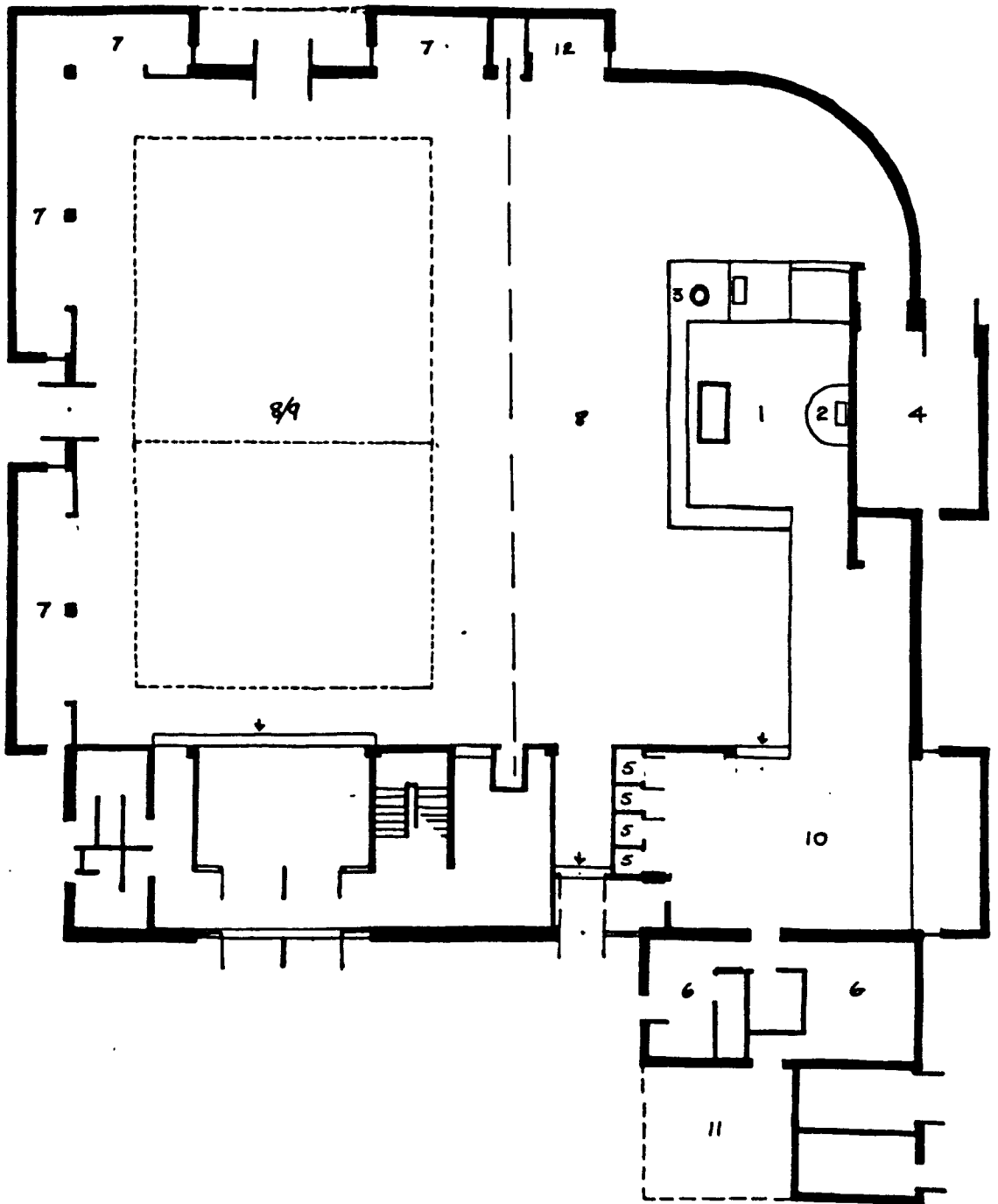
Shared Church, Grove Hill, Hemel Hempstead (1977), Meluin, Lansley & Mark



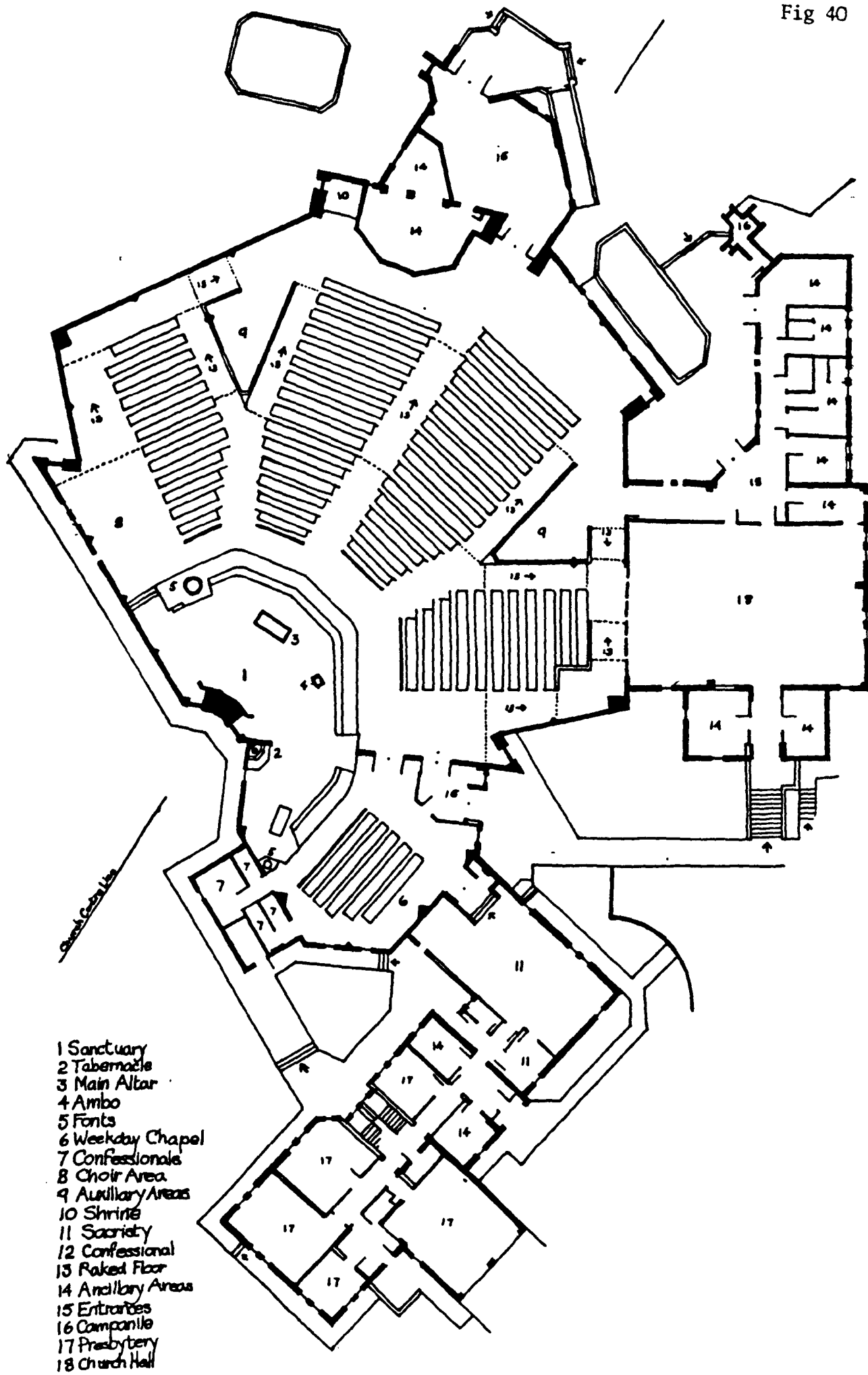




1 Movable Sanctuary 2 Twin Tabernacle 3 Movable Font  
 4 Confessional 5 Organ 6 Worship space 7 Social Space  
 8 Society 9 Entrance 10 Screens



1 Sanctuary 2 Tabernacle 3 Font 4 Mortuary  
 5 Confessionals 6 Sacristies 7 Storage  
 8 Worship Area 9 Social Area 10 Chapel  
 11 Extension for Meeting Room 12 Shrine  
 8 & 10 not used for original purpose; 6 reversed



- 1 Sanctuary
- 2 Tabernacle
- 3 Main Altar
- 4 Ambo
- 5 Fonts
- 6 Weekday Chapel
- 7 Confessionals
- 8 Choir Area
- 9 Auxiliary Areas
- 10 Shrine
- 11 Sacristy
- 12 Confessional
- 13 Raked Floor
- 14 Ancillary Areas
- 15 Entrances
- 16 Campanile
- 17 Presbytery
- 18 Church Hall

St Patrick, Coulby Newham (1986 proj), Swainston Partnership  
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