

The niche

In the north sanctuary wall there is a decorated niche (shallow recess, especially one in a wall to display a statue or other ornament). Next to this is an aumbry which is a locked cabinet or safe in the wall to hold the consecrated (made sacred) bread and wine that has not been used during the normal communion. This can then be taken to the ill or housebound who have asked for communion to be given to them at home.

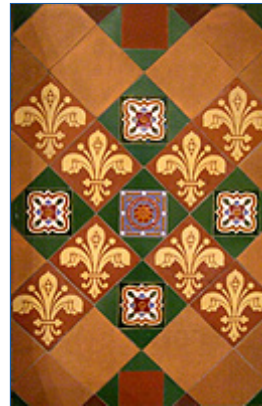
A wax sanctuary lamp stands in the niche next to the aumbry as a sign that this sacrament is stored here. The lamp is always burning to remind us that Christ is always present.



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Tiles in the niche



The aumbry