

CHARLES J. CONNICK : DESIGNER AND WORKER IN STAINED AND
LEADED GLASS : NINE HAROURT STREET, BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS

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City or Town... East Cleveland, State Ohio... No.
Church S. Paul's Church. Date of January 1, 1951
Donor and Completion Dedicate week after
Address New Years. 9/21/50.
Architect Quality of \$900 (75. per foot).
Denomination Episcopal. Glass
and Minister The Reverend Francis B. Sayre, Jr., Rector.
Footage 12 feet sight
Sizes, full
Ventilators Set by
Position in Church Baptistry window
Height from floor 2' 6" approx. Protec. They will install Groove Stone
Points of compass Glass plain protection Rabbet Wood
Quality of light East glass.
Inscription
Design wanted Staging
Shipping address Blue-prints
Received
Bill to Templets
Photos of Cartoons Mailed
General Information The Baptism of Jesus.
Mr. Sayre writes: "My taste in stained glass windows does not run to the pictorial or modern treatment, nor to much painting on the glass, but rather to the type of window for which Connick was famous.... Mediaeval in style, small leaded panes of clear color, reds and blues predominating. Of the pictures you sent, I like best the one in St. Peter's Church, New York City. I like it especially for its simplicity and its exquisite taste and style. In particular, I am taken with it because the design of the baptism group fills most of the space; because the portrayal of Christ is not realistic but rather archaic and therefore leaves the beholder free to imagine Him in many ways; and because the lower panel is indeed well conceived. I especially like the symbolism of the fish in the River Jordan."

For addresses of those to be notified as window progresses, see other side.

Baptistry window, and are sending you the color sketch today.

Although it is intended as an impression of color and light in action, with all the refinement of line and form left to the full sized drawings and the actual glass, I think it gives an adequate impression of our intention for a formal mediaeval treatment, without copying the grotesque or distorted forms.

In other words, it is presented in the natural, but somewhat stylized terms of our medium. We have kept in mind the window you liked in Saint Peter's Church, New York, with its direct simplicity and pure rich color.

Saint John the Baptist, bearing his rustic crossed staff, holds the symbolic shell of Baptism over Our Lord. The Dove of the Holy Spirit descends in rays of light. Below the waters of the Jordan is the symbolic fountain of life, with the twelve sheep suggesting the Apostles.

The inner blue border is enriched with stars of divine steadfastness.

A space is indicated at the base for a possible memorial inscription, but if this is not required, it can be designed in lovely color, or a significant text.