

The Cathedral of Learning

Bro. Martin derived inspiration from Roman columns and Gothic churches and created an innovative concept of a structure that would inspire students to set lofty goals in life and maintain a lofty principle. He wants Au to be a university that not only gives knowledge, but also its architecture should give inspiration to students. The 39-storey edifice, with 88 columns around its exterior, rose windows, ceiling paintings, magnificent stairway, though unconventional, echoes loftiness and grandeur of ancient and modern civilization. It is surrounded on all sides by ten fountains. It houses the hall of fame, the library, a computer centre and lab, the shopping plaza, etc.

Cathedral Main Entrance

The romanticized flight of steps dominated by the Seat of Wisdom makes all who walk up feel high in spirit. On the foreground of the entrance is a mosaic flooring gloriously reflecting the rose window. On the glass door is Bro. Hilaire's short Thai rhyme to teach children. Written in his handwriting, the rhyme tells children to seek knowledge and heed the words of the Lord and teachers that will bring them wealth, but always remember that Heaven is better. Bro. Hilaire was a distinguished scholar of Assumption College.



