

The Main Features of a Church

Use the statements below to help you annotate your diagram of a church. These have been muddled up so you will need to rearrange them into the correct pairs.

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Cross	This is a table at the front of the church. The sacrament of the Eucharist is prepared at this table.
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