

# LOORA

Living With Our and Others' Religions  
Together in Diversity



## Questionnaire

Location:	Sweden	Åbyskolan	Catholic church – minority religion 2
	Country	School	Serial number

## Photos



## Description

This building is quite new, not too high and made of brick and wood. The actual church part is octagonal and, thanks to all the windows, the interior room basks in a warm light. It radiates a welcoming and calming atmosphere.

## Position of the object

This church is situated right in the centre of the town and has no additional church site. It's almost hard to distinguish among all the "normal" villas and houses.

Size

The interior of the church is app. 200 square metres

Materials

It's made of wood, glass and brick

Date of building/  
epoch:

The building was built in 1999





Architect/  
artist:

Renovation,  
restoration  
(when, by whom,  
who paid, why?):

As the building is quite new, no restoration has yet been made.

Sketch plan:

## Interior

Picture	Name	Function
	<p>Tabernacle</p>	<p>This wall cupboard is used for storing the bread for the Holy Communion. It represents the body of Christ. Beside the cupboard, also on the wall, there is a light always lit as a symbol of an ever-present Jesus.</p>
	<p>Altar</p>	<p>This altar is a symbol of sacrifice. Inside the altar ancient relics are kept.</p>
	<p>Baptismal font</p>	<p>The baptism is the new birth through which the child is received into the community of the church (Joh 3:5) to grow and mature there as limbs of the body of Christ. The baptism also means the purification from all sins.</p>
	<p>Easter candle</p>	<p>This huge candle is being lit at Easter time to symbolize the resurrection of Jesus.</p>

	<p>Pictures</p>	<p>There are fourteen pictures around the church. They show the life and death of Jesus.</p>
	<p>Statue of the Virgin Mary</p>	<p>She is the mother of Jesus. Sometimes she can help when Jesus can't. People put flowers and lit candles at her little altar and pray to her for help. She made Jesus perform his very first miracle at a Jewish wedding.</p>
	<p>Confession room</p>	<p>The confessant sits face to face with the confessor. Everyone is allowed to confess here, not only Catholics. The only conditions are that the confessant honestly regrets his/her sins and means never to commit them again.</p>
	<p>Sacristy</p>	<p>This room is used for storage of the clerical clothes and for the priest to prepare his services. Here you also find a safe where they keep e.g. the golden chalice, see below.</p>
	<p>Chalice</p>	<p>This cup is gold plated and used for the Holy Communion. It has an inscription which says „Christ yesterday, today and for ever“.</p>