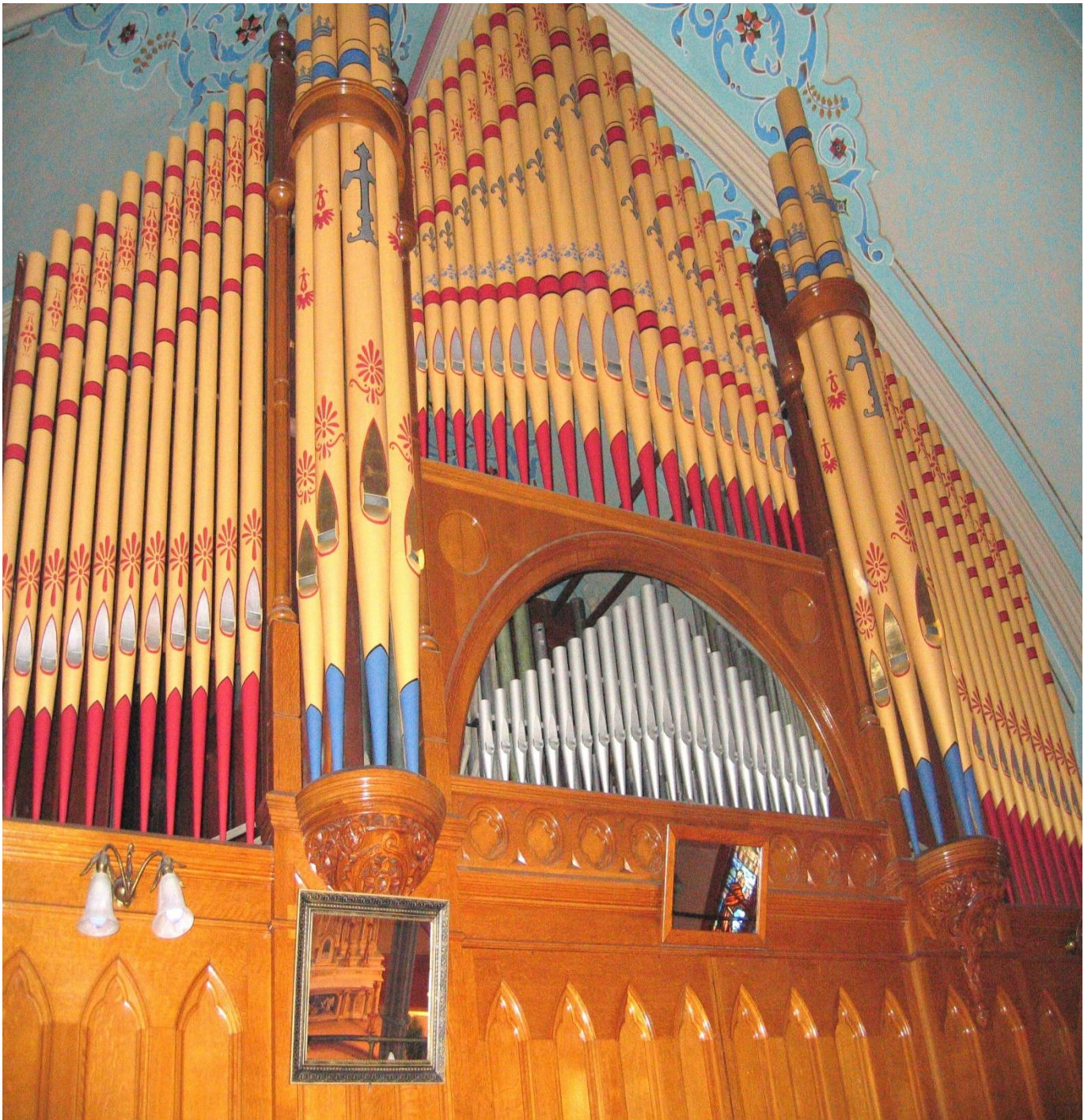


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Here's a view most people never get close enough to see.....
Notice the mirror reflecting on St Joseph Altar.

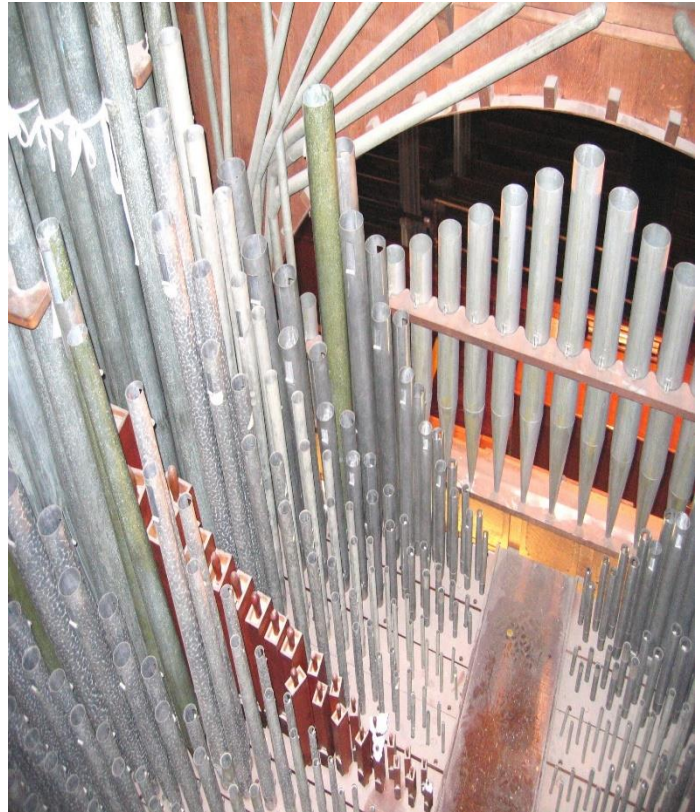
What you see is only the front of the Main organ with the highest pipe about 30 ft above the floor. What you don't see is the organs working parts, behind the front. There's a room 22 ft by 22 ft. consisting of two levels, with the air plenums on the ground floor. The organ requires a 2,200 cu ft per minute blower located in a small closet outside of this area. To walk into this area is amazing, pipes everywhere. But, the area is not for the large in hip size. The walkways are only about 12" wide with no railing. Behind the front banks of pipes is another room, behind louvers, containing four (4) more pipe banks. Metal pipes measuring from a few inches to 16 ft tall wooden pipes. How Mrs. Cecile Dupuis matches the keyboard to all these pipes is unknown to me, but she does it very well.

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View from the entrance door



Looking thru the front pipes into the church.



Left rear banks of pipes, see louvers in rear.



There are (8) banks of pipes like this.

