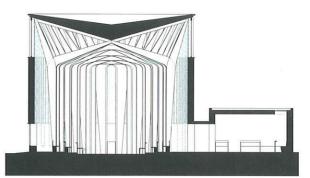
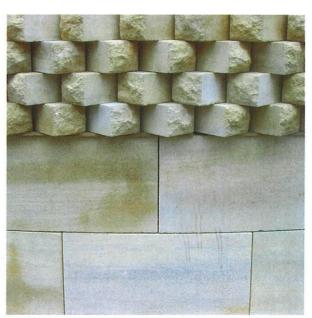




Opposite page, top_ Elevation of the new chapel in its college campus Generative sketch

Middle_Plan detail of external wall Below_Cross section Middle_Mock-up of Bottom Model of the hull-like structure and internal space







McLaughlin won a competition to design the Bishop Edward King Chapel for Ripon College in Oxfordshire. The project is now on site and is due for completion in August 2012. The design synthesises two key architectural ideas. The first is a gentle hollow in the ground that acts as a meeting place for the community. The second is a delicate, hull-like structure that rises into the treetops to gather the light from the leaves. The first speaks of a rootedness, of meeting in the still centre; the second suggests a buoyancy. These two

opposing forces play off each other

to create a resonant whole.

In July 2009, Níall