

## DONE DEALS

### A prayer answered

For over a year, Jim Mazzeo of Weichert Realty - Mazzeo Agency sought a buyer for a church complex at 439 East 77th Street.

The unusual property, which is zoned for community or residential use, features a 2,338 s/f chapel with stained glass windows and hardwood floors and a separate three-story, 1,800 s/f house with two bedrooms, two kitchens and 3.5 baths.

Earlier this month, a couple with two children closed on the property for \$2.1 million — \$600,000 less than the original listing price.



The couple (he's French, she's Spanish) was attracted to the location by a French school down the street. They plan on transforming the complex into a single-family home.

"They're going to totally renovate the church," said Mazzeo. "But they're going to try to keep as much original architectural detail as possible." The wife plans to use the church's basement as a pottery studio.