

# ST MARY OF THE ANGELS CATHOLIC CHURCH



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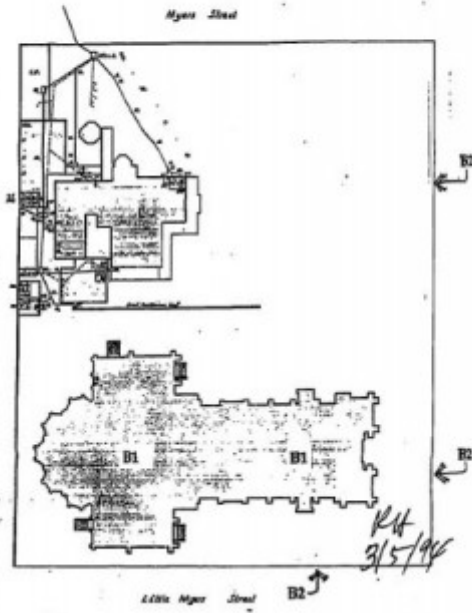
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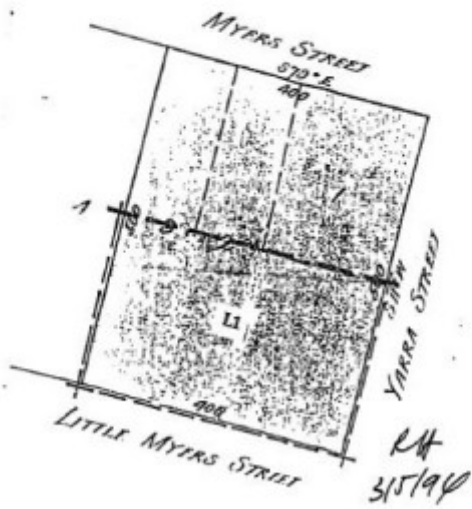
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H1026 plan A



H1026 plan B

Location

136-148 YARRA STREET GEELONG, GREATER GEELONG CITY

## **Municipality**

GREATER GEELONG CITY

## **Level of significance**

Registered

## **Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number**

H1026

## **Heritage Overlay Numbers**

HO228

## **VHR Registration**

June 30, 1994

## **Heritage Listing**

Victorian Heritage Register

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## **Statement of Significance**

Last updated on - May 4, 1999

Saint Mary of the Angels Catholic Church, Geelong, an exceptionally large bluestone parish church dramatically sited on one of Geelong's most prominent hills, was commenced in 1854 to the design of architects Dowden and Ross. The bulk of the nave was completed in 1872 to the design of TA Kelly while the rest of the church, including the central tower and bluestone spire, was designed by CC Kelly and built 1931-37.

St Mary of the Angels Catholic Church, with its exquisitely traceried window, its stained glass by Ferguson & Urie and Mathieson & Gibson and stone carvings in bluestone by Clement Nash, demonstrates typical craftsmanship.

The church is noteworthy for its use of Lethbridge bluestone with contrasting finishes and details in Barrabool sandstone. The bluestone spire of the central tower, an unusual feature, is of particular importance.

The grand and lofty church, with its spacious interior containing apsidal chevet chapels, ambulatory and imposing chancel, demonstrates the importance placed in the church as a symbol of the faith and identity of the Catholic community in Geelong.

*[Source: Report to the Minister]*

## **Permit Exemptions**

### **General Exemptions:**

General exemptions apply to all places and objects included in the Victorian Heritage Register (VHR). General exemptions have been designed to allow everyday activities, maintenance and changes to your property, which

don't harm its cultural heritage significance, to proceed without the need to obtain approvals under the Heritage Act 2017.

Places of worship: In some circumstances, you can alter a place of worship to accommodate religious practices without a permit, but you must **notify** the Executive Director of Heritage Victoria before you start the works or activities at least 20 business days before the works or activities are to commence.

Subdivision/consolidation: Permit exemptions exist for some subdivisions and consolidations. If the subdivision or consolidation is in accordance with a planning permit granted under Part 4 of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987* and the application for the planning permit was referred to the Executive Director of Heritage Victoria as a determining referral authority, a permit is not required.

Specific exemptions may also apply to your registered place or object. If applicable, these are listed below. Specific exemptions are tailored to the conservation and management needs of an individual registered place or object and set out works and activities that are exempt from the requirements of a permit. Specific exemptions prevail if they conflict with general exemptions.

Find out more about heritage permit exemptions [here](#).

Construction dates	1854,
Architect/Designer	Dowden & Ross,
Heritage Act Categories	Registered place,
Hermes Number	1932
Property Number	

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## History

Associated People:

Hugh Linaker, landscape plan c1930. Original coloured plan is on wall in ambulatory (PR, Oct 2008)

## Extent of Registration

AMENDMENT OF REGISTER OF HISTORIC BUILDINGS

Historic Building No. 1026.

Saint Mary of the Angels Catholic Church, Yarra Street, Geelong.

(To the extent of:

1. All of the building known as St Mary of the Angels Catholic Church marked B1 and the fence to the Yarra Street and Little Myers Street frontages marked B2 on Plan No. 601042A, signed by the Chairperson Historic Buildings Council and held by the Director, Historic Buildings Council; and
2. All of the land marked L1 on Plan No. 601042B signed by the Chairperson, Historic Buildings Council and held by the Director, Historic Buildings Council, being part of the land described in Certificate of Title Volume 3492 Folio 239.)

[*Victoria Government Gazette* No. G26 30 June 1994 p.1856]

*This place/object may be included in the Victorian Heritage Register pursuant to the Heritage Act 2017. Check the Victorian Heritage Database, selecting 'Heritage Victoria' as the place source.*

*For further details about Heritage Overlay places, contact the relevant local council or go to Planning Schemes Online <http://planningschemes.dpcd.vic.gov.au/>*