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# St Aloysius' Church



St Aloysius Church, 233  
Balaclava Rd Caulfield,  
August 1994

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## Location

233 Balaclava Road CAULFIELD NORTH, GLEN EIRA CITY

## Municipality

GLEN EIRA CITY

## Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO77

## Heritage Listing

Glen Eira City

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## Statement of Significance

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St Aloysius is architecturally important as an exceptionally imposing red brick church in the Early English Gothic Style from the inter-war period. Its significance, however, is compromised by the recent removal of its Pymont stone spire. It is locally important as a focus of Catholic worship in Caulfield.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Glen Eira - Caulfield Conservation Study, Andrew Ward, Architectural Historian, 1994;
Hermes Number	43710
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### **Physical Description 1**

A substantial red brick church in the Early English Gothic-style, imposingly situated on a rise and consisting of cruciform plan with lofty nave and flanking aisles, lower narthex accentuating "west windows" above bell tower and apsidal end with unusual corbelled projection, the whole forming a picturesque composition. The upper sections of the facade gable ends have terra cotta diaper work, the lower cross at the gable apex also being in terra cotta. Further enrichment includes a central "IHS" emblem, hood moulds and Gothic ball flowers to the cornices in brick.

### **Physical Description 2**

Integrity: Fair, spire removed

### **Physical Description 3**

Condition: Good

### **Historical Australian Themes**

Worship: Catholic and Caulfield as a pre-eminent inter-war suburb.

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