Stained Glass Window at Kew Holy Trinity Anglican Church

Location

1 Pakington Street, Kew, BOROONDARA CITY

Municipality

BOROONDARA CITY

Level of significance

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Heritage Listing

Vic. War Heritage Inventory

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Study/Consultant Hughes, 2013;

Architect/Designer Wilson, Marian Roscoe, Brooks, Robinson & Samp; Co,

Hermes Number 196782

Property Number

Memorial Window References & Damp; Acknowledgements

Geraldine McFarlane, Memories in Glass, Holy Trinity Anglican Church, Kew, 2004.

Memorial Window Subject

Happiness of Paradise

Memorial Window Text

Memorial Window Inscription

Ye through the fields of Paradise that roam, Ye shining ones repeat in that bright home, Allelulia, Allelulia, Allelulia.

Memorial Window Description & Earny; History

When the apsidal Warrior's Chapel, designed by ex-serviceman and architect, Eric Teague, was added to the church in 1922, the window openings were filled with plain glass. There were plans to create a memorial to the fallen men of the parish and Brooks, Robinson & Co. were engaged to design a window, however the idea was shelved, possibly due to a lack of funding. When the Reverend A. Roscoe Wilson joined the parish as vicar in 1934, he asked his talented daughter Marian to prepare a design based on the idea of happiness in Paradise, a sharp contrast to Brooks, Robinson's design that incorporated static saints and soldiers. Miss Wilson based her design on German medieval lyrical poetry but the substantial nine-light window was not built until the 1960s. The death of prominent churchman, George Selby Knight Gregson, was the catalyst that brought the project to fruition, forty-two years after the building of the Chapel. Marble tablets placed at the east end record the names of fifty-seven men from the parish who served in the First World War. The text was taken from Hymn 295, Hymns Ancient and Modern, Standard edition.

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