# **Holy Family Catholic Church**



Church -101 Hitchcock Avenue, Barwon Heads Photo 1



Church - 101 Church Avenue, Barwon Heads - Photo 2

#### Location

101 Hitchcock Avenue, BARWON HEADS VIC 3227 - Property No 229845

# Municipality

**GREATER GEELONG CITY** 

### Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

### **Heritage Overlay Numbers**

HO1687

### **Heritage Listing**

**Greater Geelong City** 

#### Statement of Significance

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C Listed - Local Significance

The Holy Family Catholic Church building at 101 Hitchcock Avenue is aesthetically significant at a LOCAL level. It demonstrates original design qualities of the interwar Carpenter Gothic style. These qualities include the crowstepped parapetted gable roof, with a minor parapetted gable porch projecting to the side north. Other intact

qualities include the horizontal weatherboard wall cladding, timber framed, multipaned round arched windows and the triple roundarched lancet window with worked consoles, round arched timber porch door, gable oculus ventilator and the crosses at the apex of the major and minor gables. The substantial cypress trees contribute to the significance of the place. The Church building also makes a substantial contribution to the single storey, pitched roof streetscape. The Holy Family Catholic Church building at 101 Hitchcock Avenue is historically significant at a LOCAL level. It is associated with the development of the Catholic Church in Barwon Heads, together with the Flinders Estate subdivision of 1887 and the McArthur Estate subdivision of 1916. The Church building is also associated with the architect, Cyril Kelly, and the builder, B. Murphy. The Holy Family Catholic Church building at 101 Hitchcock Avenue is socially significant at a LOCAL level. It is recognised and valued by the Barwon Heads community for religious reasons. Overall, the Holy Family Catholic Church building at 101 Hitchcock Avenue is of LOCAL significance. It is highly recommended that a Conservation Management Plan be carried out on the property.

#### References

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Heritage Act Categories

Registered place,

Hermes Number 21317

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# **Physical Description 1**

The site at 101 Hitchcock Avenue has visual connections to some tall pine trees and an avenue of gum trees at the north end, together with single storey residential, religious and commercial buildings of mixed styles and periods. This Church building has large front and side setbacks, due to the substantial size of the land. These setbacks are shown on the 1978 BHSA Plan of Drainage. Early and substantial cypress trees are located on the site. The single storey, asymmetrical, horizontal weatherboard interwar Carpenter Gothic building is characterised by a crowstepped parapetted gable roof, with a minor parapetted gable porch projecting to the side north. These roof forms appear to be clad in corrugated zincalume. Early, timber framed, multipaned round arched windows are regularly arranged on the longitudinal sides, while the east wall is adorned by a triple roundarched lancet window with worked consoles. The round arched timber porch door also appears to be early. Early decorative features of the design include the gable ventilation portal and the crosses at the apex of the major and minor gables. Description

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