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# St. Marks on the Hill

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## Location

721 Bellarine Hwy, LEOPOLD VIC 3224 - Property No 245169

## Municipality

GREATER GEELONG CITY

## Level of significance

Registered

## Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

H0776

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO288

## Heritage Listing

Greater Geelong City

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## Statement of Significance

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### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

St. Marks' On the Hill at Leopold constructed from bluestone between 1859 to 1862 is the mother church of the Anglican community on the Bellarine Peninsula. This simple and original Early English gothic style church is an interesting parish church design and a notable work of Edward Prowse, a Geelong architect with an acknowledged reputation, having earlier designed the impressive mansion " The Hermitage" in Newtown. Bishop Perry laid the foundation stone in December 1858 and following a lengthy fund raising campaign the steeply gabled rectangular plan church was opened in 1862.

## References

Brown P.L., Foundations 1850-1863. St. Marks on the Hill, Leopold. A Centenary Summary, 1959. Mercer & Co. Printers, Geelong

Huddle, Lorraine. " Architects in Geelong in the 1840's and 1850's. :Humanities Research Report, Department of Architecture, university of Melbourne's 3 Vol.s 1979. Vol. 1 pp. 49-62.

Geelong Advertiser 15th April, 1858 - tenders for quarrying stone. 28th October, 1858 - tenders for building portion of church, 13th May 1861, - tenders for completion, 17th July, 1872 - re-opened after extensive internal and external improvements.

Church of England Record for the Diocese of Melbourne, Heath and Cordell, Geelong. Jan 1859.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Greater Geelong - Geelong Region Historic Buildings and Objects Study, Allan Willingham, 1986;
Heritage Act Categories	Registered place,
Hermes Number	21379
Property Number	

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