
St Thomas Roman Catholic Church

Location

39 Wyndham Street, DRYSDALE VIC 3222 - Property No 263798

Municipality

GREATER GEELONG CITY

Level of significance

Incl in HO area indiv sig

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO1620

HO1614

Heritage Listing

Greater Geelong City

Statement of Significance

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

St Thomas' Catholic Church building was opened in 1856 when it housed the church and St Joseph's School. It was designed by architect R S Dowden and built by Simmie and McLachlan. Extensions were made in 1873 and the bell installed in 1878. The place has contained a hall and a Presbytery. The Church is a steeply pitched gable slate roof brick building with quionwork, buttresses and pointed arch windows on a bluestone plinth.

St Thomas' Catholic Church has aesthetic, historic and social value to the Drysdale district.

St Thomas' Catholic Church was designed in a simple gothic idiom and the interesting details give it good visual qualities. It has been associated with the Catholic community in the Drysdale district continuously since 1856. It is part of a group of religious buildings that have been developed over many years since the 1850's. It is a substantial church building for the Bellarine Peninsula, and indicative of the strength and aspirations of the Catholic community in the ealry period of development.

It is of LOCAL cultural significance.

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| Heritage Study/Consultant | Greater Geelong - Bellarine Heritage Study, Huddle, Howe, Lewis and Francis, 1996; |
| Hermes Number | 21577 |
| Property Number | |

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