# St Joseph's Roman Catholic Convent and Presbytery



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#### Location

7-9 Newcastle Street NEWPORT, Hobsons Bay City

## Municipality

**HOBSONS BAY CITY** 

# Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

## **Heritage Overlay Numbers**

HO230

## **Heritage Listing**

Hobsons Bay City

## Statement of Significance

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What is Significant?

St Joseph's Roman Catholic complex, comprising the Presbytery designed by Kempson & Connolly and constructed by G Ireland in 1917 (Presbytery) and the Convent constructed in 1923, at 7-9 Newcastle Street, Newport.

How is it Significant?

St Joseph's Roman Catholic Convent and Presbytery at 7-9 Newcastle Street, Newport are of local historic and aesthetic significance to the City of Hobsons Bay.

Why is it Significant?

Historically, they are significant as integral elements of the Roman Catholic complex, which demonstrates the important role of the church in the development of the Newport community over a long period. The buildings are associated with the creation of Newport as a separate parish in 1916. (AHC criteria A4 and H1)

Aesthetically, they are significant as large, well preserved custom designed residential buildings prominent within the Newport area and closely related to the St Joseph's complex. The presbytery is an intact example of the work of prominent church architects, Kempson and Connelly. (AHC criteria E1 and F1)

Heritage Study/Consultant Hobsons Bay - Hobsons Bay Heritage Study, Hobsons Bay City Council, 2006;

Architect/Designer Kempson & Conolly,

Hermes Number 22210

**Property Number** 

# **Physical Description 1**

#### Convent

The convent is a two storey, red brick and terra-cotta tiled building. Consistent with its ecclesiastical use are the pointed windows, with cement dressings, and the leadlight glazing. The surrounding related landscape includes a modified silky oak and pittosporum.

#### Presbytery

This two storey, red brick and slate roof presbytery is located at the corner of Schutt Street, next to the similarly styled convent. The building has cement dressings over windows, shingled gable ends, a two level verandah and notable leadlight glazing. There are also interior elements generally as described after construction (see history). Related landscape includes a lilly pilly, and silky oak.

## Integrity

**External Condition** 

Good

**External Integrity** 

High

### **Physical Description 2**

#### Context

Contributory part of Newport Residential Precinct, as keynote buildings and integral components of the Sacred Heart Roman Catholic complex, which includes the school and church on the opposite side of Newcastle Street (q.v.).

#### **Historical Australian Themes**

Forming associations, Worshipping

## **Physical Description 3**

**Associations** 

Catholic Church, Sisters of St Joseph, Fr Cusack, Kempson & Connolly

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