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# HOLY FAMILY CHURCH



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## Location

6 KOOLBIRRA ROAD, MARYKNOLL, CARDINIA SHIRE

## Municipality

CARDINIA SHIRE

## Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

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## Heritage Listing

Cardinia Shire

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## Statement of Significance

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Holy Family Church, opened by Archbishop D. Mannix on 3 September 1950, and rebuilt and extended in 1953, is of significance in the Shire as a major Maryknoll public building. It is an important component in the rural community based on Christian principles founded in 1940 by Father Wilfred Pooley . The building was used originally as a combined church and school, and is the visual focus of this important shire religious community

*Regional Significance*

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| Heritage Study/Consultant | Cardinia - Cardinia Shire Heritage Study 1996, Graeme Butler & Associates, 1996; |
| Construction dates        | 1953,  |
| Hermes Number             | 30038  |
| Property Number           |  |

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## Physical Description 1

This simple gabled vertical-boarded (once stained) church has a simple belfry raised on a projecting wall-bay at the centre of the front elevation; large timber window units at the side; a skillion side verandah; and a porch with a shallow gabled roof profile and highlight windows typical of the 1950s.

Two Italian cypress (symmetrical about the front) and a large gum are among the mature landscape elements around the church. As intended, it is sited in the centre and at the visual focus of the Maryknoll settlement.

## Physical Conditions

The church appears externally near original with the possible exception of the side verandah and new colour scheme.

## Historical Australian Themes

Themes

8.6 Maryknoll, a Christian community

9.3 Churches and cemeteries

## Physical Description 2

Associations - Maryknoll community; Pooley, Wilfred

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