St Aloysius' Church



St Aloysius Church, 233 Balaclava Rd Caulfield, August 1994

Location

233 Balaclava Road CAULFIELD NORTH, GLEN EIRA CITY

Municipality

GLEN EIRA CITY

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

H077

Heritage Listing

Glen Eira City

Statement of Significance

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St Aloysius is architecturally important as an exceptionally imposing red brick church in the Early English Gothic Style from the inter-war period. Its significance, however, is compromised by the recent removal of its Pyrmont stone spire. It is locally important as a focus of Catholic worship in Caulfield.

| Heritage Study/Consultant | Glen Eira - Caulfield Conservation Study, Andrew Ward, Architectural Historian, 1994; |
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| Hermes Number | 43710 |
| Property Number | |

Physical Description 1

A substantial red brick church in the Early English Gothic-style, imposingly situated on a rise and consisting of cruciform plan with lofty nave and flanking aisles, lower narthex accentuating "west windows" above bell tower and apsidal end with unusual corbelled projection, the whole forming a picturesque composition. The upper sections of the facade gable ends have terra cotta diaper work, the lower cross at the gable apex also being in terra cotta. Further enrichment includes a central "IHS" emblem, hood moulds and Gothic ball flowers to the cornices in brick.

Physical Description 2

Integrity: Fair, spire removed

Physical Description 3

Condition: Good

Historical Australian Themes

Worship: Catholic and Caulfield as a pre-eminent inter-war suburb.

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