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# St Francis Catholic Church



B0134 St Francis Church

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## Location

326-350 Lonsdale Street and Cnr Elizabeth Street, MELBOURNE VIC 3000 - Property No B0134

## Municipality

MELBOURNE CITY

## Level of significance

National

## Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

H0013

## Heritage Listing

National Trust

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## Statement of Significance

Last updated on - October 4, 2006

St Francis's is the oldest Roman Catholic Church in Victoria, the most important surviving example of architect Samuel Jackson's work and the oldest church in Melbourne still on its original site. It is an outstanding example of the stuccoed Gothic which was prevalent before the Gothic Revival proper, exhibiting considerable stylistic development in comparison with earlier church designs by Jackson. The Lady Chapel of 1857 by David Ross is a full-blown essay in Puginesque design, with decoration by Le Gould and Souter (reputed pupils of Pugin) somewhat modified by Ulysses Rizzi, Minton tiles and windows by Hardman of Birmingham.

Classified: 'Regional' 19/06/1958

Revised: 04/03/1971  
Fence included: 05/07/1973

Hermes Number 65265

Property Number

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