

Building:

Former St Joseph's School,
Wellington Street.



Document Reference:

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National Trust Register:

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National Estate Register:

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Historic Buildings Council Register:

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Location within Precinct:

Collingwood Slope

Photograph Date:

12.6.87

Antecee:

George Otter

Original Owner:

Present Owner:

Original Use:

Catholic Church

Present Use:

Parish hall

Construction Date:

1886

Architect:

Builder:

Description:

A red brick hall with lancet windows and buttresses along its length and a steeply sloping slate gable roof. The main elevation to Wellington Street incorporates flanking porches with coupled lancet windows surmounted by parapetted gable ends. The linking section with cantilevered verandah and "The Wellington" in low relief above is not original.

Condition:

Good

Integrity:

Fair

History:

Catholic schools had been opened in Collingwood prior to the opening of the St Joseph's school in the church (qv) in 1862 as follows:

- Reilly Street: 1.7.1855
- Budd Street: 1.7.1857
- Wellington Street 1858

They merged to form a school in Stanley Street in 1858, the girls moving to a school in Otter Street in 1860 and the boys to Moor Street with Collingwood Quarries School (Kerr Street, opened 1.7.1855). In 1862, the Otter Street school moved to the Wellington Street corner and to St Joseph's church in 1863.

In 1886 the present building was opened and in 1912 it was replaced by the present school building.

Significance:

The former St Joseph's school is of local importance for its role in the community as a school and later, as a parish hall.

Recommendations:

Recommended for planning scheme protection.

References:

St Joseph's Church historical notes
Source of the Fruits of Fifty Years,
1897, A.H. Massina and Co.

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