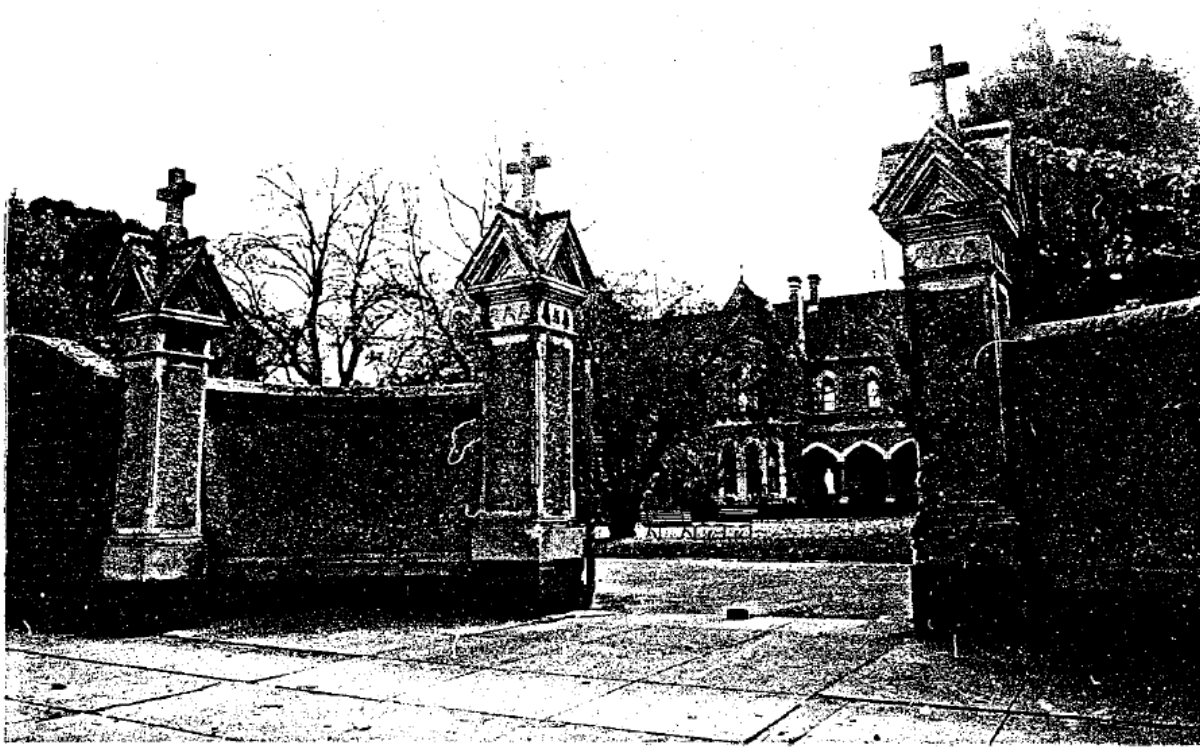


CONVENT AND SCHOOL

Dandenong Road, corner Hornby Street, Prahran, 3181



Recommendations It is recommended that this building be added to the Register of Historic Buildings, Register of the National Estate and be protected using the provisions of Clause 8 of the Town and Country Planning Act (Third Schedule).

History and Description The history of this complex began in 1874 when five Presentation nuns inhabited a house on the site in Dandenong Road and subsequently erected a school building and surrounding wall. The main convent building, which stands today, was opened in September 1884, the foundation stone having been laid in October of the preceeding year. This building, constructed in freestone with a steep slate roof, adopts the gothic style with gable ends and pointed arched windows, arcading and entrances.

Significance This is a large complex of buildings which has developed since its inception last century.

Intactness The buildings appear to be substantially intact.

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