

City of Greater Geraldton Municipal Inventory of Heritage Places Place Record

Area: Geraldton Place Number: 283 Category: 5 Assessment Date: 01/01/1970 Last Revision Date: 30/11/2009 HCWA Number: 13448 Asset ID: MCH126937

PLACE DETAILS

Name: Site of Christ Church Other Names: 133 Marine Terrace

Type of Place: Site

Address: 133 Marine Terrace

Suburb: Geraldton

LOCATION

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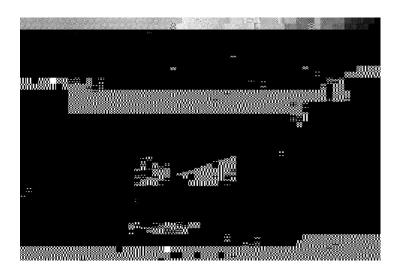


Photo Description:

Geraldton: A Photographic History Christ Church fronting Marine Terrace.

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SITE DETAILS

Lot No.: Lot 26

Reserv No.: Assess No.: 11541

Dia/Plan: Vol/Fol:

USE OF PLACE

Original Use: Church Current Use: Shops

Ownership:

Public Access: No Occupied: Occupied

DESCRIPTION

Walls: Not applicable Roof: Not applicable

Condition: Not applicable Integrity: Wodificat

Original fabric:

Modifications:

The site of Christ Church now accommodates the Bank West premises constructed in 1995.

HISTORY

Construction Date: 1868 Source: Doncaster, Rev E.W.

Architect: William Trigg Builder: William Trigg

In 1868 the first Bishop of Perth, Rev. Mathew Hale D.D., travelled by schooner to lay the foundation stone of Christ Church, the second church to be built in Geraldton after the Methodist Church. The following record was placed in a bottle under the foundation stone: "The foundation stone of this church was solemnly laid by the Right Reverend Mathew Hale, D.D., the first Bishop of Perth, on Saturday, the twelfth day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight." The architect of l e u5 g ay ola & q c q a q

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Church with its beautiful coloured glass window behind the altar, was situated behind a wooden picket fence which ran to the footpath which continued to the comer of Cathedral Avenue." (Cook, V., "Marine Terrace in 1907", Way Back When, p8) The church had two tall turrets on the Marine Terrace frontage which were removed in 1950 for safety reasons. Just over a decade later the church was declared to be in a state of decay and the last service was conducted in October 1962. Christ Church was demolished in November, 1962 and the Rural and Industries Bank was built on the site the following year. (GILSCVF - Churches, "Geraldton: A Photographic History" & "Geraldton Guardian", 12/9/1963, p1) The site now accommodates a new bank premises constructed in 1995.

The foundation stone of the Anglican Cathedral of the Holy Cross, located in Cathedral Avenue, was laid on 22 July, 1962. (Downes, J., "The Cathedral Church of the Holy Cross", undated brochure)

HISTORIC THEMES

HCWA: 406 Religion

301 Grazing, pastoralism and dairying

400 Social and civic activities

AHC: 8.6.4 Making places for worship

7.6.4 Dispensing justice

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The site of Christ o G

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any new development which reflects the former use of the site.

OTHER LISTING S

No other listings

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Considine & Griffiths Architects, "Geraldton Foreshore Conservation Plan", 2002 - Building 19.

Doncaster, Rev E.W., "The Diocese of North West Australia", Early Days, p. 57-8.

"The First Hundred Years".

Cook, V., "Marine Terrace in 1907", Way Back When.

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GUSCVF - Churches.

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