
Christ Church, Keilor (Anglican Church)



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Keilor.jpg

Location

36 Church Street, KEILOR VIC 3036 - Property No 88

Municipality

BRIMBANK CITY

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO93

Heritage Listing

Brimbank City

Statement of Significance

Last updated on - January 1, 2000

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Christ Church, Keilor, is of regional historical, architectural and social significance as the second oldest church in the Brimbank area and the oldest Anglican church in the municipality. For many years it was the only non-Catholic church in Keilor. (An early Presbyterian church became derelict by the early years of the 20th century.) It has been associated with a number of early Keilor families, including Milburns, Goudies, Seulings and Bonfields.

The simple design of the church reflects the limited means of the local community. Its bluestone construction is also a reflection of the available resources and local geology which determined much of the early building design in Melbourne's west during the nineteenth century.

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Construction dates	1877,
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Physical Description 1

Description

A small plain brick church on bluestone foundations with steeply-pitched slate roof. The porch features a bell-wall, while solid buttresses and Gothic, pointed arch windows break up the side walls. Contrasting brickwork is used to pick out the corners and window surrounds. Modern additions in brick for the community centre have been added to the building, involving opening up the interior to provide a side chapel which was subsequently altered for other uses. The Taylor Gates (1947), in clinker brick and wrought iron, have been constructed at the corner of Church Street.

Physical Conditions

Condition/integrity

In fair condition and relatively intact, although the grounds have been altered and the modern community centre is an intrusive and unsympathetic addition. The bricks have been over-painted and the effect of damp is evident in the walls, although this was evidently corrected some years ago.

Intactness

Substantially intact.

Historical Australian Themes

8 Developing Australia's cultural life

8.6 Worshipping

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