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# ST AMBROSE'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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## Location

261-289 SYDNEY ROAD,, BRUNSWICK VIC 3056 - Property No 19900

## Municipality

MERRI-BEK CITY

## Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO248

## Heritage Listing

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## Statement of Significance

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St Ambrose's Church is of local historical and architectural significance. It has had a long association with the Irish Catholic community of Brunswick, and, with the hall in Dawson Street, was the focus of the local anti-conscription movement during World War One, which used the hall. The church is a notable landmark on Sydney Road.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Moreland - Keeping Brunswick's heritage: A Report on the Review of the Brunswick Conservation Study, Context Pty Ltd, 1990; Moreland - City of Moreland Heritage Review, Allen Lovell and Associates, 1999;
Construction dates	1871,
Architect/Designer	Robertson, JM & Denny, JB,
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## Physical Description 1

St Ambrose's Church, at 289 Sydney Road, Brunswick, is a Gothic Revival Church with a cruciform plan. The walls are of bluestone with rendered dressings and copings. The south aisle roof is marked with conical pinnacles. Windows are pointed arches, and the large east window has geometrical tracery. The church has a squat tower with a slate pyramidal roof topped by an iron cross at the north-east corner. The church's gable ends are topped with stone crosses. The cast iron palisade fence and gates are original.

Key Architectural Elements: notable Gothic Revival design in bluestone with contrasting rendered dressings prominent siting

Conservation Guidelines: remove protective covering from east window

Principal Historic Themes: establishment of permanent places of worship

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