
ST MARY'S CHURCH OF ENGLAND & PARISH HALL



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Location

112 RIDGWAY, MIRBOO NORTH, SOUTH GIPPSLAND SHIRE

Municipality

SOUTH GIPPSLAND SHIRE

Level of significance

Recommended for Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

Heritage Listing

South Gippsland Shire

Statement of Significance

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What is significant?

St Mary's Anglican Church and Sunday School Hall at 112 Ridgway, Mirboo North are significant. St Mary's Church was designed by G.E. Drinnan and constructed in 1965. It is a Modernist gable-fronted church, with a pitched tile roof that extends to form a skillion porch on the west side, which is supported by slender round poles. The front elevation is almost completely glazed with framing that forms the shape of a cross above a low stacked stone wall. The Sunday School Hall, designed by G.H. Cain and constructed in 1907, is a simple gabled timber building with timber windows in the side elevations and double doors (not original) in the front elevation. It is now connected to the 1965 church by a later addition to the rear.

Non-original alterations and additions are not significant.

How is it significant?

St Mary's Anglican Church and Hall are of local historic, aesthetic and social significance to the South Gippsland Shire.

Why is it significant?

Historically, the two buildings demonstrate stages of growth of both the Anglican church and Mirboo North in the twentieth century. The former Sunday School Hall is associated with the development of Mirboo North in the early twentieth century, which resulted in the need for a separate building to provide a Sunday School, while the 1965 church reflects the growth of the congregation in the postwar period. (Criteria A)

Aesthetically, the 1965 church designed by G.E. Drinnan is a fine and well-detailed example of a Modernist church. The window wall with framing expressing a cross above the low stacked stone wall are features of note. (Criteria E)

It has social significance for its strong and enduring associations with the Mirboo North community through its use as an Anglican Church for over 110 years. (Criterion G)

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| Heritage Study/Consultant | South Gippsland - South Gippsland Heritage Study, David Helms with Trevor Westmore, 2004; |
| Construction dates | 1907, 1965, 1907, 1965, 1907, 1965, |
| Architect/Designer | Drinnan, GE, Demaine RS, Russell, Trundle, Armstrong & Orton, Cain, George H., GH Cain, GE Drinnan, |
| Other Names | Extra, -, |
| Hermes Number | 73342 |
| Property Number | |

Physical Description 1

St Mary's Church of England is a post-war Modern Gothic brick church with a steeply pitched gable tile roof. The front of the gable has a large bank of windows with framing that forms the shape of a cross above a low stacked stone wall. Entry is via a porch with a low pitch skillion roof on the right side.

The Sunday School is a gabled timber building clad in weatherboards with an iron roof.

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