

# City of Greater Geraldton Municipal Inventory of Heritage Places Place Record

Area: Greenough Place Number: 82 Category:

 Assessment Date:
 16/12/1997
 Last Revision Date:
 09/03/2005

 HCWA Number:
 1145
 Asset ID:
 MCH126475

# **PLACE DETAILS**

Name: St James' Church

Other Names: Brand Highway (west side)

**Type of Place:** Church

**Address:** Brand Highway (west side)

**Suburb:** South Greenough

# **LOCATION**

**Map** Bookara **GPS** 6789534.00 **GPS** 285365.000

Reference: N.W. Northing: 0000 Easting: 000



# **Photo Description:**

9/12/2004 Henkel St James' Church, South Greenough

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# **SITE DETAILS**

**Lot No.:** CG 703

Reserv No.: Assess No.: 63064

Dia/Plan: Vol/Fol:

# **USE OF PLACE**

Original Use:

Church Church

Current Use:

**Public Access:** 

Ownership:

Restricted **Occupied**:

Not Occupied

# **DESCRIPTION**

Walls: Limestone Roof: Corrugated Iron

Condition: Good Integrity:

Original fabric: Modifications:

This small stone church is located prominently on the Brand Highway in South Greenough. The simple design features a rendered stone wall to the front (east) elevation with a centrally placed, arched double timber entry door and two narrow arched windows set high either side. The arches are enhanced by a rendered and protruding moulding. The gable end of the front facade has a small parapet wall which hides the corrugated iron gable roof behind. To the side elevations are three narrow arched windows set in random stonework with decorative stonework to the top of the arch. Urgent attention is required to the disposal of water from the roof gutters.

2004/05 Review: Some of the glass panes to the front windows have been broken.

#### **HISTORY**

Construction Date: 1872 Source: Foundation Stone

Architect: Not available Builder: Joseph Holwan

The St James' Church was built by Joseph Holwan in 1872 on land donated by William Stokes. The church was consecrated by Bishop Hale on 27 July 1873. William Stokes, John Wilton and James Rumble assisted with the carpentry and made the pews and desks for the church.

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(Source: Foundation Stone and Information Sign)
The organ from St James' Church is now on display in the Greenough

Pioneer Museum (Place No. 16).

# HISTORIC THEMES

**HCWA:** 406 Religion

603 Local heroes and battlers

**AHC:** 8.6.4 Making places for worship

8.6.2 Maintaining religious traditions and ceremonies

#### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

St James' Church has high historic and social significance given its connection to the religious life of the local community for over 120 years. Further the place is evidence of the former community of South Greenough, which also included a school. The place has considerable aesthetic value given its prominent location, compact scale, its simple detailing and use of local stone. It is representative of small rural churches of that era. The church is an essential part of the built heritage of the Greenough Flats.

# MANAGEMENT CATEGORY

Management Category:

**Level of Significance:** EXCEPTIONAL SIGNIFICANCE: Essential to the

heritage of the locality.

ManagementConservation of the place is consideredRecommendation:essential. Any proposed change should not

unduly impact on the significance of the place

and be in accordance with either a Conservation Plan or Heritage Impact

Statement.

# OTHER LISTINGS

Shire of Greenough - Town Planning Scheme (64), 01/01/1970 National Trust of WA - Classified, 01/01/1970

Australian Heritage Commission - Register, 01/01/1970

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# **SUPPORTING INFORMATION**

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Photographs:

GHS1213 congregation outside (n.d.).

# **OTHER PHOTOS**

No other photos

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