



# REGISTER OF HERITAGE PLACES

## Permanent Entry

1. **DATA BASE No.** 2124
2. **NAME** *St. Mary's Roman Catholic Cathedral* (1865, c. 1900, & 1930)
3. **LOCATION** Victoria Square, Perth.
4. **DESCRIPTION** **OF** **PLACE**  
Perth Lot A25 being the whole of the land described in Enrolled Crown Grant 1691.
5. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA** City of Perth
6. **OWNER** The Roman Catholic Bishop of Perth
7. **HERITAGE LISTINGS**

Register of Heritage Places: Interim Entry	11/10/1994
• Permanent Entry	10/10/1995
National Trust (WA) Classification:	05/04/1993
City of Perth Planning Scheme:	
(East Murray St Precinct, Victoria Square Precinct)	20/12/1995
Register of the National Estate:	21/10/1980
8. **CONSERVATION** **ORDER**  
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9. **HERITAGE** **AGREEMENT**  
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10. **STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE**

*St. Mary's Roman Catholic Cathedral* and its grounds, bounded by Victoria Square, has cultural heritage significance for the following reasons:

  - the place is a prominent landmark in Perth, as well as a major element within the historic Murray Street East Precinct;
  - the place and its grounds, set in Victoria Square, reflects the original general intention of the colonial Surveyor-General's town plan for Perth;
  - the place is highly valued by the Catholic community of Western Australia;
  - the place is a unusual demonstration of different expressions of Gothic ecclesiastic architecture in the one building;

the original portion of the Cathedral (1865) is associated with the Benedictine Brothers who constructed the building;

the later portion of the Cathedral (1930) is associated with prominent Western Australian architect Michael Cavanagh; and,

the place is associated with Bishops Griver, Gibney and Clune, who administered the principal phases of its construction.