



REGISTER OF HERITAGE PLACES

Permanent Entry

1. **DATA BASE No.** 3630
2. **NAME** *Beagle Bay Mission Church* (1915-18)
OTHER NAMES Sacred Heart Church
3. **LOCATION** Beagle Bay, Dampier Peninsula
4. **DESCRIPTION OF PLACE INCLUDED IN THIS ENTRY**
That part of Lot 1 on Plan 12362, being part of the land comprised in Certificate of Title Volume 1635 Folio 756 as is defined in Heritage Council of Western Australia survey drawing No. 3630 prepared by Landinfo Pty Ltd.
5. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA** Shire of Broome
6. **OWNER** The Roman Catholic Bishop of Broome.
7. **HERITAGE LISTINGS**
 - Register of Heritage Places: Interim Entry 09/01/1998
Permanent Entry 07/04/1998
 - National Trust Classification: -----
 - Town Planning Scheme: -----
 - Municipal Inventory: Adopted 30/06/1996
 - Register of the National Estate: -----
8. **CONSERVATION ORDER**

9. **HERITAGE AGREEMENT**

10. **STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE**
Beagle Bay Mission Church, an Inter-War Gothic style church of rendered clay brick wall and 'corrugated iron' roof construction, has cultural heritage significance for the following reasons:
 - the place has a high degree of aesthetic value, both internally and externally, and exhibits a well resolved combination of architectural, symbolic and artistic motifs;
 - the church is an outstanding example of creative use of local resources for both construction and decorative purposes;
 - the place illustrates the early European occupation of a previously isolated portion of the state;

the place is closely associated with the work of missionaries and attempts to induct Aboriginal people into the Christian faith;

is highly valued by the mission community for their considerable involvement in its establishment and contributes to their sense of place;

the continuing use of the place for religious activities enhances the social value;

the place is a rare example of a religious building combining a high value of construction and artistic excellence in a remote setting; and,

the place has a landmark quality, with its central location within the collection of mission buildings. The wide grassed area surrounding the Church enhances its prominence and contributes to its landmark quality.