



# REGISTER OF HERITAGE PLACES

## Permanent Entry

1. **DATA BASE No.** 2121
2. **NAME** Victoria Square Cottages Group (1897-98)  
**FORMER NAME** Catholic Missions/Immigration Centre, Family Welfare Bureau, Social Apostolate
3. **LOCATION** 23-29 Victoria Square, Perth
4. **DESCRIPTION OF PLACE INCLUDED IN THIS ENTRY**  
 Portion of Lot A20 on Deposited Plan 223021 and being part of the land contained in Certificate of Title Volume 1192 Folio 717 as is defined in Heritage Council of Western Australia Survey Drawing No. 2121 prepared by Steffanoni Ewing & Cruickshank Pty Ltd.
5. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA** City of Perth
6. **OWNER** The Roman Catholic Bishop Of Perth
7. **HERITAGE LISTINGS**
  - Register of Heritage Places: Interim Entry 26/05/2006  
 Permanent Entry 20/04/2007
  - National Trust Classification: Classified (as part of Victoria Square Precinct) 03/04/1978
  - Town Planning Scheme: -----
  - Municipal Inventory: Adopted 13/03/2001
  - Register of the National Estate: -----
8. **CONSERVATION ORDER**  
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9. **HERITAGE AGREEMENT**  
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10. **STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE**  
*Victoria Square Cottages Group*, a row of four single-storey brick and iron cottages designed in a simple interpretation of the Victorian Georgian style, has cultural heritage significance for the following reasons:  

the place, which forms a significant streetscape, is part of the suburban residential development associated with the expansion of Perth at the turn of the twentieth century, and is rare as a relatively intact example of a nineteenth century group of cottages;

the place is rare in Western Australia as an example of row housing, unified by the repetition of decorative treatment to front elevations across

the group, although the dwellings were constructed as individual structures and are individually good examples of simple workers' cottages; the place, which has been owned by the Roman Catholic Church since 1906 and used from the early 1970s by various of its social welfare and religious service organisations, contributes to a precinct of nineteenth century structures associated with the Roman Catholic Church around Victoria Square; and, the place is valued by those who have used and benefited from the provision of social welfare and religious services operating from the cottages since the 1970s.

The cottage at 21 Victoria Square is not included within the curtilage for this place. It is documented in 'Victoria Square Cottages, Perth, Conservation Plan' (Naomi Lawrance: 2003) and has less significance than the other four cottages.