

# HERITAGE PLACE

**NAME OF PLACE:** ST PETER'S ANGLICAN CHURCH

**ADDRESS/LOCATION OF PLACE:** McLennan St GLENTHOMPSON

**STUDY NUMBER:** 304

**HERITAGE OVERLAY NUMBER:**

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**PRECINCT:** Glenthompson

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA:** Southern Grampians Shire

**ALLOTMENT:** part **SECTION:** 1 **PARISH:** PARISH OF YUPPECKIAR  
3A & 4

**ACCESS DESCRIPTION:**

CFA 434J 7; VicRoads 229 M10; located on the west side of McLennan Street on the eastern side of the township of Glenthompson.

**SIGNIFICANCE RATING:** Local



St Peter's Anglican Church, McLennan Street, Glenthompson

**Image Date:** 29/05/2002

**EXTENT OF LISTING:**

To the extent of: 1. All the church including the interiors and all of the land.

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## **PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:**

The church is a simple, traditional if not old-fashioned example of the Gothic revival style. The church comprises a nave of three bays and a polygonal apse. The walls are red brick, presumably from the Glenthompson Brickworks, and are strengthened by conventional buttresses on the side elevations. Various details are cement rendered and now painted white. The roof is pitched at 60 degrees and is covered with corrugated iron. The most distinctive feature of the church is the bay or oriel window in its façade. The main gable is surmounted by a belfry which takes the form of a small spire. The entrance is on the north side and there is no porch. The church is set within a modern garden. [The interior has not been inspected.]

## **HISTORY:**

The land on which St Peter's Anglican Church now stands was purchased from the Crown in 5th March 1890 by Mr. W. Scott as two allotments. He donated the land to the Church of England and a new church was opened on 9th November 1914. Prior to this services, which commenced in 1894, had been held at the original St Andrew's Presbyterian Church. No architect or builder has been associated with its design and construction.

The Shire of Mount Rouse Centenary History states that 'the church has an historic bell to summon worshippers. The bell was that of a ship wrecked along the western coast and was dedicated to those who suffered and died in the First World war. It was presented by Mr. Murray of Brie Brie.' The congregation is part of the Diocese of Ballarat and is service from Willaura.

## **THEMATIC CONTEXT:**

Theme 8 Developing Australia's cultural life  
8.6 Worshipping  
8.6.1 Worshipping together  
8.6.3 Founding Australian religious institutions  
8.6.4 Making places for worship

## **CONDITION:**

The church is in excellent condition.

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## **INTEGRITY:**

very high degree of integrity.

## **STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:**

What is significant?

St Peter's Anglican Church is located on the west side of McLennan Street, on the eastern side of the township of Glenthompson. The church is a simple, traditional if not old-fashioned example of the Gothic revival style, with a nave of three bays and a polygonal apse. The church is constructed of red brick, presumably from the Glenthompson Brickworks, and the roof is corrugated iron. The interiors include a range of memorials, the original pews, fittings such as the altar, podium and decorative works. The Church was built in 1914, after land was donated by Mr. W. Scott in 1890. There has been no architect or builder associated with the design of the Church. The church is in excellent condition and retains a high degree of integrity.

How is it significant?

St Peter's Anglican Church is of historical and architectural significance to the Southern Grampians Shire and to the township of Glenthompson.

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Why is it significant?

St Peter's Anglican Church is of historical significance as the focus for Anglican worship and fellowship in the Glenthompson area and of architectural significance as a relatively late and traditional example of the Gothic revival style.

**COMPARISON:**

157 St Mary's Anglican Church, corner of Stirling and Bell Streets, Balmoral

303 St Joseph's Catholic Church, McLennan St, Glenthompson

421 St Patrick's Catholic Church, Martin St, Dunkeld

**ASSESSED BY:** tfh & mgt

**ASSESSMENT DATE:**

29/05/2002

**EXISTING LISTINGS:**

**HERITAGE STUDY RECOMMENDATIONS:**

Include in VHR  Include in RNE  Include in Local Planning Scheme

No Recommendations for Inclusions

**REFERENCES:**

Author	Title	Year	Page
Hope Henry	Glenthompson History	1954	1-3
Shire of Mount Rouse	Mount Rouse Shire Centenary	1964	