# Historic Heritage Inventory



# St Patrick's Catholic Church (former), Turua



Location: 17 Hauraki Road, Turua

#### **Heritage Status**

**Historic Places Trust Registration Number:** 

**Historic Places Trust Category:** 

HDC Heritage Category: C - Heritage Item. Local or Neighbourhood

Significance

Other:

**Physical Description:** The first catholic church on the Hauraki Plains, although substantially modified as a private residence.

It is a gabled building built of rusticated timber construction with a steeply pitched corrugated iron roof. The bell tower has been removed. There is a pitched roof lean-to on one side of the building, which is a modern extension.

### Other known names:

Notable features: Original windows and basic structure intact.

Style: early 20th century church

Materials: Timber, corrugated iron roof

**Date of Construction:** 1930

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## Heritage Type:

- Wahi Tapu
- Cultural Landscape
- Building
- ☐ Group of Buildings
- Structure
- Monument
- Historic Place
- □ Archaeological Site
- Other

Date Period: 1911-1940

## Significance:

- □ Archaeological
- Architectural
- Cultural
- Historic
- □ Scientific
- Technological

### **Thematic Context**

- Maori
- Early Settlement
- Industry
- Extraction
- □ Forestry
- Agriculture
- Transport
- Communication
- Commerce
- Residential
- Social/Cultural
- ☐ Civic
- Health
- Educational
- Church/yard
- Other

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**History:** St Patrick's Catholic Church opened in 1930. It was the first Catholic Church on the plains. The Hauraki Plains Parish was formed in 1945 and the first parish priest, Father W. Flynn, lived in Thames. In 1951, Father L. O'Neill was appointed parish priest and in the following year, a presbytery and St Pashcal's Church were built in Ngatea.

The church building was sold and converted to a private residence.

Architect: Designer: Builder: Engineer:

**History of changes:** Converted to residence after 1967. Bell tower removed, rear annex removed, front porch modified and clerestory window added.

Condition: Modified

Integrity: Substantially altered

**Current Uses: Private Residence** 

Former Uses: Church

Registered owner:

Legal Description: Pt Lot 9 DPS 11535

**Reference Source:** Farrow, M. (1991) "Brief History of township of Ngatea, Hauraki Plains, New Zealand."; Tye R.E. "Hauraki Plains Story" Thames Valley

News Ltd, Paeroa

### **Associated Pictures:**



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