Heritage Property Details

Name of Historic Place: St. Brigitte Roman Catholic Church Other Name(s): St. Bridgitte Roman Catholic Church Date of Origin: 1909 Current Use: Religious Facility or Place of Worship Location: Harris

Street Address: 215 Main Street

Formal Recognition

Type of Recognition: Municipal Heritage Property Date of Recognition: May 5, 1993

Statement of Significance



The heritage value of St. Brigitte Roman Catholic Church resides in its status as the original Roman Catholic church of the Harris community and district. In the fall of 1904, as Roman Catholic settlers began to arrive in the area, the community's first mass was celebrated in the home of a local family. By 1907, it was clear that a formal parish and permanent priest for the area were needed. Consequently, the Diocese of St. Boniface, Manitoba created "Our Lady of Good Council" parish and sent a full time priest to serve the area. Construction of the formal church structure began almost immediately by volunteers and was completed in 1909. Typical of many rural churches in Saskatchewan, the building is vernacular in style, with a rectangular form, wood-frame construction, and a gable roof topped by a small, centrally-placed, wooden steeple. Some modest adornment is found in the form of round arches, which decorate the symmetrically-placed windows and doorway. Moved into the Village of Harris in 1958, St. Brigitte Roman Catholic Church served the Roman Catholic faith of the area from 1909 until 1996.

Source:

Village of Harris Bylaw No. 79/93.