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NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

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**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM**

SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN *HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS*
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS

1 NAME

HISTORIC ******
St. Agnes Catholic Church
AND/OR COMMON

LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER
204 E. Liberty Street
CITY, TOWN Weiser VICINITY OF First
STATE Idaho CODE 16 COUNTY Washington CODE 087

CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL
		<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY
			<input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
			<input type="checkbox"/> PARK
			<input type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
			<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
			<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
			<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER:

OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME St. Agnes Catholic Church
STREET & NUMBER 204 E. Liberty Street
CITY, TOWN Weiser VICINITY OF Idaho

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Washington County Courthouse
STREET & NUMBER
CITY, TOWN Weiser STATE Idaho

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE Idaho State Historic Sites Inventory
DATE 1972
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS Idaho State Historical Society
CITY, TOWN Boise STATE Idaho

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

St. Agnes Catholic Church is a good example of the Italianate style rendered in brick. The building is characterized by its imposing bracketed corner tower, cruciform plan and round arched windows.

The south facade is broken by a gabled portico surmounted by a large circular stained glass window, and a round arched stained glass window. The west corner tower dominates the building and terminates with a bracketed hipped roof with abbreviated gables.

Each side contains 4 obscure amber round arched windows, with a larger window in the gabled transept.

The interior has been renovated, but its original character remains.

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES	1911-1912	BUILDER/ARCHITECT	Tourtellotte and Hummel
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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

St. Agnes Catholic Church is architecturally significant as a good example of the brick Italianate style. With its simple but tight design, attention to detail, and imposing tower it is a local landmark.

Tourtellotte and Hummel, the foremost architectural firm in Idaho, designed this building. They executed most of the Roman Catholic churches in southern Idaho for a generation, including St. John's cathedral in Boise.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Weiser Signal, March 7, 1912, p. 8, c. 2; September 12, 1911, p. 8, c. 3.

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY less than one acre

UTM REFERENCES

A

1	1	5	0	2	7	5	0	4	8	9	9	2	2	0
ZONE				EASTING				NORTHING						

B

ZONE				EASTING				NORTHING						

C

ZONE				EASTING				NORTHING						

D

ZONE				EASTING				NORTHING						

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Don J. Hibbard, Architectural Historial

ORGANIZATION

Idaho State Historical Society

DATE

20 May 1977

STREET & NUMBER

610 North Julia Davis Drive

TELEPHONE

384-2120

CITY OR TOWN

Boise

STATE

Idaho

12 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER CERTIFICATION

THE EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS PROPERTY WITHIN THE STATE IS:

NATIONAL

STATE

LOCAL

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service.

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER SIGNATURE

Maile Wells

TITLE

State Historic Preservation Officer

DATE

20 May 1977

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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

Charles Affum
DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF ARCHAEOLOGY AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION

[Signature] DATE *7-24-78*
KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

ATTEST: *Lawrence Cole*
KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

DATE *7-5-78*

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ST. AGNES CATHOLIC CHURCH
WEISER

St. Agnes Catholic Church is architecturally significant as one of the more pretentious examples of the western colonial revival style applied to an ecclesiastical structure in Idaho. A western combination of the renaissance and bungalow traditions, this structure features beautiful round arched stained glass windows, a classical feature, and overhanging eaves with exposed rafters, and figure four brackets, a bungalow characteristic. The windows are some of the best in Weiser, a town with an inordinate amount of lovely windows, and the bell tower is most imposing, rising from the squat cruciform plan. The spacious interior with its open beamed ceiling further perpetuates the bungalow renaissance mix.

The building stands as a pretentious and substantial example of the tensions of the period 1900-1915. The populist bungalow details were imposed on the more academic, east coast inspired renaissance form to create a substantial, yet simple statement of man's aspirations both on this world and in the hoped for heavenly future.