

## YANKTON COUNTY SURVEY

NAME Old Catholic Church

LOCATION NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , SE $\frac{1}{4}$ , Section 33, T94N, R57W

OWNER Right Rev. Thomas O'Gorman

ADDRESS St. Wenceslauf Rectory  
Tabor, South Dakota 57063

**DESCRIPTION** The Old Catholic Church is a one story structure constructed of chalkrock. Concrete veneer was placed over the building at one time, but this has been chipping away. All the windows are lancet type with tall slender arched-windows on each side and smaller half-story ones on the front and back facades. An ocular window is present in the peak of both gable ends. The medium pitch gable roof is now covered by metal sheeting; beneath the sheeting is the roof's original wood covering. A relieving, slightly segmental arch of chalkrock is found over the main door. The building is believed to have been constructed around 1881.

STYLE Vernacular Gothic

DATE 1872

**SIGNIFICANCE** Although churches are not normally accepted for nomination, the Catholic Church is a significant addition to the architectural history of the resource area. It is one of the oldest churches and provides an excellent example of Gothic style, ethnically interpreted, and the use of the native material chalkrock. It is also important as a religious institution, serving the area for over 75 years. Mr. Martin Marty was apparently the original purchaser of the land and had the building constructed.

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**BOUNDARIES** The nominated property is located 4400 feet northeast of the intersection of State Highway 50 and the road leading to Lesterville and immediately west of Lake Port Cemetery.

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