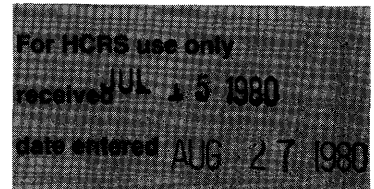


**United States Department of the Interior  
Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service**

**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 Holy Family Church

and/or common Resurrection Church

## 2. Location

street & number 307 Adams Avenue \_\_\_\_\_ not for publication

city, town Eveleth \_\_\_\_\_ vicinity of congressional district 8th District

state Minnesota code 22 county St. Louis code 137

## 3. 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	<b>Public Acquisition</b>	<b>Accessible</b>	<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:

## 4. Owner of Property

name Roman Catholic Diocese of Duluth

street & number 215 W. 4th St.

city, town Duluth \_\_\_\_\_ vicinity of state Minnesota

## 5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. St. Louis County Court House

street & number

city, town Duluth \_\_\_\_\_ state Minnesota

## 6. Representation in Existing Surveys

title \_\_\_\_\_ has this property been determined eligible?  yes  no

date \_\_\_\_\_ federal \_\_\_\_\_ state \_\_\_\_\_ county \_\_\_\_\_ local

depository for survey records

city, town \_\_\_\_\_ state

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## 7. Description

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**Condition**

excellent     deteriorated  
 good         ruins  
 fair          unexposed

**Check one**

unaltered  
 altered

**Check one**

original site  
 moved    date \_\_\_\_\_

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**Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance**

Situated on a steeply sloping site at 307 Adams Avenue in Eveleth, the Holy Family Church is distinguished by its prominent bell tower with a four-faced clock. The building is Gothic in styling as is evident in the use of the pointed arch in doors and windows and the engaged buttresses which define the bays. In plan, the church is arranged as a Latin cross, having a long nave terminating in an apse and intersected by transept wings. Each of these transepts forms a frame for a large multipaned stained glass window. The entire building is constructed of red brick with a buff-colored stone for highlights at the water-table, on copings, and as caps for the buttresses. The building is in excellent condition and continues to serve its original function.

# 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 checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> social/
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

**Specific dates** 1909 **Builder/Architect** A. F. Wasielewski, Anoka, Minnesota

**Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)**

The Holy Family church is significant as the center of the Slovenian community in Eveleth for seven decades, only recently having been made a geographical parish instead of the nationality parish it had been for Slovene speakers since its construction. The change in the nature of the church structure (organizationally) reflects the significant changes in the meaningfulness of Slovene ethnicity in the pattern of community life. The Slovenes are a major element of the population of Eveleth (the city even possesses a commercial hostel known as the "Slovene Motel") and is the scene of frequent Range conventions of Slovene organizations and meetings. The Slovenians once had seven ethnic churches on the Iron Range but the Eveleth church has always been one of the most important in terms of the associated ethnic and voluntary economic organizations that served as community centers for the Slovenes on the Range. These activities and institutions were, it appears in historical retrospect, of an intermediate nature in that they assisted the Slovene immigrants to make the transition to the mainstream of American life by exploiting their traditional skills and the strengths of their traditional methods and reasons for association and collective action. As a result of this intermediate nature, the organizations such as the church were transformed even as the goals being pursued were approximated.

# 9. Major Bibliographical References

Marvin Lamppa, A Report to the Department of Natural Resources on the Historical Aspects of the Vermilion, Cuyuna, and Mesabi Iron Ranges of Northeast Minnesota (Eveleth: 1977)

# 10. Geographical Data

ACREAGE NOT VERIFIED

Acreege of nominated property less than 1

Quadrangle name Eveleth

UTM NOT VERIFIED

Quadrangle scale 7.5

### UMT References

A 

1	5	5	3	4	8	0	0	5	2	5	6	6	4	0
Zone			Easting				Northing							

B 

Zone			Easting				Northing							

C 

Zone			Easting				Northing							

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Zone			Easting				Northing							

F 

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G 

Zone			Easting				Northing							

H 

Zone			Easting				Northing							

### Verbal boundary description and justification

The Holy Family/Resurrection Church is located on Lots 27-29, Block 29, Rearrangement of First Addition, Eveleth, Minnesota

### 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 Charles Skrief, Director, State Historic Preservation Office

organization Minnesota Historical Society date September 10, 1979

street & number 240 Summit Avenue telephone 612-296-9070

city or town St. Paul state Minnesota

# 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 Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service.

State Historic Preservation Officer signature Russell W. Fridley

Russell W. Fridley

title State Historic Preservation Officer date 6/28/80

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I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register

John W. Ray Luce date 8/27/80  
Keeper of the National Register

Attest: Kristin O'Connell date 8/20/80  
Officer of Registration

United States Department of the Interior  
National Park Service

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

for Keeper Melvin Lyman  
1/19/89

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Note: These changes apply to  
Holy Family Church in St. Louis  
County, Minnesota.

REFERENCE NUMBER: 80004345

STATE: MINNESOTA

COUNTY: St. Louis

RESOURCE NAME (HISTORIC): Church of the Holy Family (Catholic)

CITY:

VICINITY OF:

ADDRESS:

CERTIFICATION DATE:

REMOVED DATE:

COMMENTS:

Nina M. Archabal  
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State Historic Preservation Officer

JUN 17 1988  
Date