

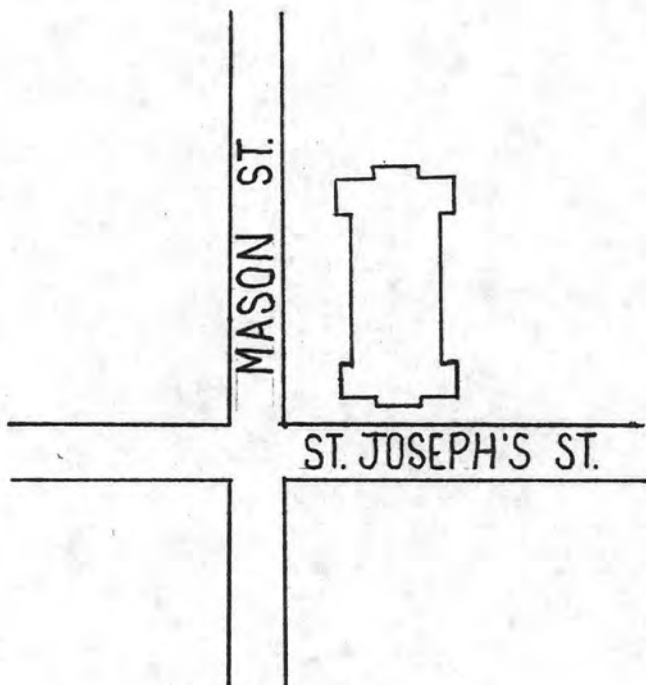
FORM B - BUILDING

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
Office of the Secretary, State House, Boston

In Area no.	Form no.
	K-15-7 ⁵³⁸

2. Photo (3x3" or 3x5")
Staple to left side of form
Photo number _____

4. Map. Draw sketch of building location
in relation to nearest cross streets and
other buildings. Indicate north.



1. Town Fall River, Mass.
Address 34 St. Joseph's Street
Name Notre Dame School
Present use School
Present owner Roman Catholic Bishop of Fall River
3. Description: 3 story and basement
Date 1899
Source Bldg. Permit #301
Style Colonial Revival
Architect Louis G. Destremps
Exterior wall fabric brick w/granite and wood trim
Outbuildings (describe) _____
full entablature w/
Other features brackets and dentils;
granite sills & lintels; end wings
blocked forward; recessed entry
supported by Doric columns.
Altered _____ Date _____
Moved _____ Date _____
5. Lot size: 20,840 sq. ft.
One acre or less Over one acre _____
Approximate frontage _____
Approximate distance of building from street
at sidewalk
6. Recorded by P. Giza/P. Fox
Organization FROHP
Date Oct. 1, 1982

7. Original owner (if known) Notre Dame School

Original use parochial school

Subsequent uses (if any) and dates _____

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

Aboriginal	_____	Conservation	_____	Recreation	_____
Agricultural	_____	Education	<u>X</u>	Religion	<u>X</u>
Architectural	<u>X</u>	Exploration/ settlement	_____	Science/ invention	_____
The Arts	_____	Industry	_____	Social/ humanitarian	_____
Commerce	_____	Military	_____	Transportation	_____
Communication	_____	Political	_____		_____
Community development	_____				

9. Historical significance (include explanation of themes checked above)

The beginnings of the Notre Dame school system date back to 1876, when a one-room classroom was organized in a home on Eastern Avenue. A year later, members of the religious order of Jesus and Mary arrived from Canada to take up and expand the teaching duties. Classes were held for the next two decades in the parish's first church, a wooden structure on the site of the present Mt. St. Joseph's School.

By 1898 larger quarters were needed and the parish set about construction of Notre Dame School.

Having successfully completed St. Joseph's Orphanage (1892) and Notre Dame Church (1894), Louis G. Destremps, a member of the parish & a Fall River architect who specialized in ecclesiastical work, was selected to design the new school.

The result is a large 3 story brick parochial school in the Colonial Revival style. Its full entablature is enhanced by small brackets and dentils. The central entrance is recessed with a covered entry supported by fluted Doric columns. The school opened in the fall of 1900 and was known at the time as Notre Dame College.

Notre Dame School remains a distinctive example of its style, notable for its brick construction and fine workmanship, and as such meets Criteria C of the National Register individually.

10. Bibliography and/or references (such as local histories, deeds, assessor's records, early maps, etc.)

Atlas: 1895 - No school shown

Bldg. Dept.: - Rev. J.A. Prevost-Sept. 23, 1899-Permit #301-brick & stone-Bassett St. -school- 89½x135 - 3 stories-stone foundation-\$748,400

Water Dept.: - Notre Dame College-Sept. 29, 1899 - App. #7719

Fall River Herald News- Sept. 29, 1969 - clipping
Nov. 22, 1976 - clipping

Fall River & Its Points of Interest - 1896 - pg. 35 name of architect

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places
Inventory—Nomination Form

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Continuation sheet

Item number

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Multiple Resource Area
Thematic Group

Name Fall River Multiple Resource Area
State MA

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

61. Notre Dame School

Substantive Review

Keeper

2/16/83 [Signature]

Attest

62. Oak Grove Cemetery

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

2/16/83 [Signature]

Attest

63. Osborn Street School

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

2/16/83 [Signature]

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64. Picard, Israel, House

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National Register

for Keeper

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65. Pilgrim Mills

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National Register

for Keeper

2/16/83 [Signature]

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66. Pine Street School

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National Register

for Keeper

2/16/83 [Signature]

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67. Pocasset Firehouse #7

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

2/16/83 [Signature]

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68. Prince Henry The Navigator
(statue)

Substantive Review

Keeper

~~2/16/83~~ [Signature] RS

Attest

69. Quequechan Club

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National Register

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Attest

70. Quequechan Valley Mills
Historic District

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Substantive Review

Notre Dame School (Fall River MRA)
Bristol County
MASSACHUSETTS

Working No. 115/83-15
Fed. Reg. Date: 2-7-84
Date Due: 2/3/83 - 2/9/83
Action: ACCEPT 2/16/83
 RETURN
 REJECT

Federal Agency: _____

- resubmission
- nomination by person or local government
- owner objection
- appeal

Substantive Review: sample request appeal NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

Recom./Criteria ATC Accept
Reviewer Mr. [unclear]
Discipline A.H.
Date 2-16-84
see continuation sheet

Nomination returned for: technical corrections cited below
 substantive reasons discussed below

1. Name

2. Location

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
	Public Acquisition	Accessible	

4. Owner of Property

5. Location of Legal Description

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

has this property been determined eligible? yes no

7. Description

Condition		Check one	Check one
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> original site
<input 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

- summary paragraph
- completeness
- clarity
- alterations/integrity
- dates
- boundary selection

8. Significance

Period _____ Areas of Significance—Check and justify below

Specific dates _____ Builder/Architect _____

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

- summary paragraph
 completeness
 clarity
 applicable criteria
 justification of areas checked
 relating significance to the resource
 context
 relationship of integrity to significance
 justification of exception
 other

9. Major Bibliographical References

10. Geographical Data

Acres of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name _____

UMT References _____

Verbal boundary description and justification _____

11. Form Prepared By

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

national state local

State Historic Preservation Officer signature _____

title _____ date _____

13. Other

- Maps
 Photographs
 Other

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to _____

Signed _____ Date _____ Phone: 202 272 - 3504

Comments for any item may be continued on an attached sheet



INST. 5-13A

NOTRE DAME SCHOOL

34 ST. JOSEPH'S ST,

Fall River MRA, Ma

Please refer to the map in the
Multiple Property Cover Sheet
for this property

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000279