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INDIVIDUAL DATA SHEET

General Description

Code: PU-161

Congressional District: Second

✓ Name: Immaculate Heart of Mary Church

Current Owner: Immaculate Heart of Mary Church

✓ Address: ~~Rt. 2, Box 1-244~~ ^{N 1/2 North Little Rock off AR 365}
North Little Rock, AR

Address: Rt. 2, Box 1-244
North Little Rock, AR

✓ County: Pulaski

Architectural Information

Architectural Firm: Thompson, Sanders, & Ginocchio

Date of Construction: 1932

Stylistic Influence: Gothic Revival

Original Use: Church

Present Use: Church

Geographical Information

UTM Reference: 15 560110/3859360

Acreage: Less than one

Verbal Boundary Description: 12 R13W T3N S24

With Immaculate Heart of Mary Church at the center point,
the boundaries extend 100 feet from each exterior wall of the
building.

Condition

☒ Excellent
☐ Good
☐ Fair

☐ Deteriorated
☐ Ruins
☐ Unexposed

☒ Unaltered
☐ Altered

EXP. 12/31/84

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Physical Description

The simplified interpretation of the Gothic Revival style of this church is appropriate to its rural setting. Presenting a serene pastoral view, the church is located in a long meadow framed by pine woods. Faced with cream-colored brick and set on a low native fieldstone foundation, the church is characterized by the traditional massing of a transept, and a nave with the entrance appearing in the gable end with an adjoining tower. The structure derives its picturesque effect from outline rather than ornamentation. The double leaf door is set into a Gothic arch with a simple wood tympanum in which two crosses are outlined in relief. Outlining the arch of the door is a simple inset bond of smooth stone. Gothic arch stained glass windows provide the other ornamentation. Three lancet windows are grouped above the entrance. A larger window with wood mullions forming a tri-partite division appears at the base of the tower; a single Gothic arch window appears at ground level at the other side of the door. The tower rises in two stages and is framed by brick piers with stone coping. The upper portion of the tower contains an arched louvered opening and a slender metal spire; a cross at the peak crowns the whole.

Statement of Significance

The 1932 design for the Immaculate Heart of Mary Church reflects the firm's version of Gothic Revival styling simplified for a rural setting. The church is located near the tiny central Arkansas community of Marche. The church is situated in a large green meadow surrounded by pine forests. The picturesque outline of the church with its spiraling tower can be appreciated from surrounding distances. Of cream colored brick construction, Immaculate Heart of Mary Church is characterized by the traditional massing of a transept and nave. Its picturesque effect derives from outline rather than ornamentation. This 1932 church is a distinctive design in its aesthetic effect.

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Multiple Resource Area
Thematic GroupName Thompson, Charles L., Design Collection Thematic Resources
State Arkansas

Nomination/Type of Review		Date/Signature
141. McLean House		for Keeper <u>Melons Byers 12/24/81</u>
	Attest	
142. Florence Crittenton Home	Substantive Review	for Keeper <u>Bruce Van Duzee 12/24/81</u>
	Attest	<u>accept Patrick Andrews 12/13/82</u>
143. Immaculate Heart of Mary Church		for Keeper <u>Melons Byers 12/24/81</u>
	Attest	
144. Vanetten House		for Keeper <u>Melons Byers 12/24/81</u>
	Attest	
145. Forrey-Smith Apartments (409 Ringo St.)	Substantive Review	for Keeper <u>Bruce Van Duzee 12/24/81</u>
	Attest	<u>accept Patrick Andrews 12/13/82</u>
146. Forrey-Smith Apartments (1019 W. 4th St.)		for Keeper <u>Melons Byers 12/24/81</u>
	Attest	
147. Farrell House	Entered in the National Register	for Keeper <u>Melons Byers 10/11/84</u>
	Attest	
148. Williamson House	Entered in the National Register	for Keeper <u>Melons Byers 11/15/84</u>
	Attest	
	Keeper	
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Immaculate Heart of Mary Church (Thompson, Charles
L., Design Collection TR)
Pulaski County
ARKANSAS

Working No. 11/9/82-3026Fed. Reg. Date: 2.7.84Date Due: 12/9/82 - 12/24/82Action: ☒ ACCEPT 12/22/82Entered in the ☐ RETURNNational Register ☐ 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 _____

Reviewer _____

Discipline _____

Date _____

☐ see continuation sheet

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

1. Name2. Location3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
	Public Acquisition	Accessible	

4. Owner of Property5. Location of Legal Description6. Representation in Existing SurveysHas this property been determined eligible? ☐ yes ☐ no7. Description

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

Acreage of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name _____

USGS 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



STRUCTURES IN ARKANSAS REPRESENTED BY THE
CHARLES L. THOMPSON DESIGN COLLECTION -
A THEMATIC GROUP

Code Number: PU-161 (Immaculate Heart of
Mary Church)

Blue Hill Road, Marche, Little Rock, AR

Photographed by: Mary Thomas

March, 1982

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Viewed from the Southwest



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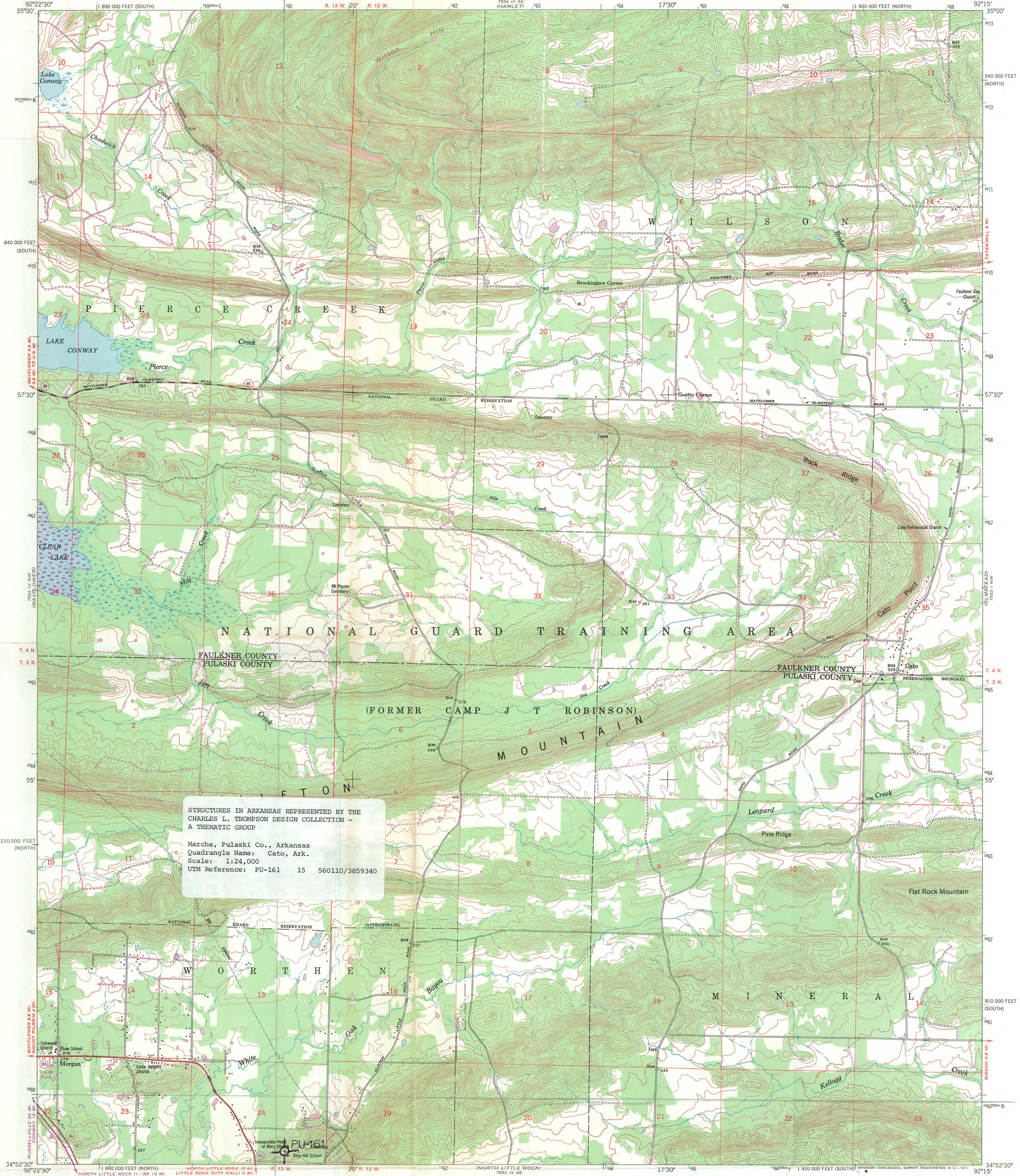
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Marche, Pulaski Co., Arkansas
Quadrangle Name: Cato, Ark.
Scale: 1:24,000
UTM Reference: PU-161 15 560110/3859340

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Aerial photographs taken 1952. Field check 1953
Polyconic projection. 1927 North American datum
10,000-foot grids based on Arkansas coordinate system,
north and south zones
1000-meter Universal Transverse Mercator grid ticks,
zone 15, shown in blue
Revisions shown in purple compiled by the Geological Survey from
aerial photographs taken 1970. This information not field checked

UTM GRID AND 1970 MAGNETIC NORTH
DECLINATION AT CENTER OF SHEET

SCALE 1:24000

1 0 1000 2000 3000 4000 5000 6000 7000 FEET

1 0 5 10 KILOMETER

CONTOUR INTERVAL 10 FEET
DATUM IS MEAN SEA LEVEL

THIS MAP COMPLIES WITH NATIONAL MAP ACCURACY STANDARDS
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A FOLDER DESCRIBING TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS AND SYMBOLS IS AVAILABLE ON REQUEST



ROAD CLASSIFICATION

Heavy-duty ——— Light-duty ———
Medium-duty ——— Unimproved dirt ———

Interstate Route U. S. Route State Route

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