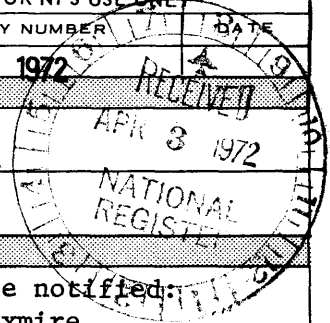


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1. NAME

COMMON:
Holy Trinity-Our Lady of Guadalupe Roman Catholic Church

AND/OR HISTORIC:
Holy Trinity Roman Catholic Church

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER: 605 South Fourth Street

CITY OR TOWN: Milwaukee

STATE: Wisconsin CODE: 55 COUNTY: Milwaukee CODE: 079

Congressmen to be notified:
Sen. William Proxmire
Sen. Gaylord A. Nelson
Rep. Clement J. Zablocki

3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Object <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Structure	<input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both	Public Acquisition: <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress	Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input type="checkbox"/> No

PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural	<input type="checkbox"/> Government	<input type="checkbox"/> Park	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation	<input type="checkbox"/> Comments
<input type="checkbox"/> Commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> Industrial	<input type="checkbox"/> Private Residence	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Educational	<input type="checkbox"/> Military	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Religious		
<input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Scientific		

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME: Holy Trinity Parish Corporation

STREET AND NUMBER: 613 South Fourth Street

CITY OR TOWN: Milwaukee STATE: Wisconsin CODE: 55

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.: Milwaukee County Courthouse

STREET AND NUMBER: 901 North Ninth Street

CITY OR TOWN: Milwaukee STATE: Wisconsin CODE: 55

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY: Historic American Buildings Survey

DATE OF SURVEY: 1960 Federal State County Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS: Library of Congress

STREET AND NUMBER: Washington

CITY OR TOWN: Washington STATE: District of Columbia CODE: 11

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7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One)					
	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed
	(Check One)			(Check One)		
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Altered	<input type="checkbox"/> Unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> Moved	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Holy Trinity Church is a modest, rectangular building 57 feet wide (north-south) by 152 feet long. Foundations, walls and steeple are brick, probably cream-colored originally, but now weathered to a deep, warm gray. The main facade (east elevation) is a simple, symmetrical, three-bay composition having a pavilioned central bay, one round-arched portal centered in each bay, and a three-stage octagonal steeple centered above the pavilion. Plain, narrow pilasters define the six bays of north and south side elevations, and here each bay contains a single round-arched window.

The three east portals give access to the shallow vestibule, which opens into the nave, a rectangular space having a gallery-organ loft at the east end, pilastered walls, and an elliptical, suspended ceiling. Pews are arranged symmetrically on north and south sides of a central aisle. The chancel is semicircular and is flanked north and south by arched alter niches, beyond each of which, to the west, is a small room, to which doorways in the chancel give access. Chancel and niches contain richly carved wood altarpieces.

Evidently the exterior is substantially as it was when Holy Trinity was dedicated in 1850, the only major change having been the addition of the steeple, erected in 1872. It is reported that the present interior design, pastel-hued, ornamental in an unpretentious way, and somewhat reminiscent of Austrian and Bavarian churches, dates, in the main, from the program of renovation and redecoration carried out in the 1870's. At this time, nave and chancel were refurbished, the gallery enlarged, and the stained glass installed. In 1890 the elaborate altarpieces mentioned above were added to the ensemble. Within the past year the altar rail has been removed and minor changes made in the chancel--alterations necessitated by changes in the liturgy.

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6. SIGNIFICANCE

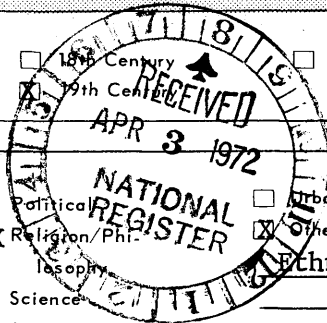
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SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known) **1849-50**

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Holy Trinity Church was erected for the first Roman Catholic parish on Milwaukee's south side. Named a Milwaukee Landmark in 1970, it is today one of the oldest existing church buildings in the city, one of the few early-day Milwaukee churches surviving in nearly original form, and one of the community's three remaining examples of Zopfstil architecture, the German counterpart of American Federal style, the latter having been current here prior to the Civil War.

The church was designed by Victor Schulte, a prominent German-born Milwaukee carpenter-architect, who also drew the plans for Milwaukee's other two remaining Zopfstil churches, Old St. Mary's (1846-47) and St. John Cathedral (1847-53). The steeple was planned by Leonard A. Schmidtner, another well-known Milwaukee designer of the day.

The ethnic influences on the architecture are far from coincidental. Holy Trinity stands at the heart of Milwaukee's historic Walker's Point section. Named for its pioneer, George Walker, who planned and platted it, this near south side neighborhood, established in the 1830's was one of the three original settlements of the city of Milwaukee. Prominent among the early inhabitants of this settlement were the German-speaking Catholics, many, apparently, of southern German and Austrian origins, who founded and built Holy Trinity Church.

At present quite a number of the area's residents are Puerto Rican- and Mexican-Americans; and the church now serves a largely Spanish-speaking congregation. Its ties with the Latin community were strengthened during the 1960's when the parish merged with that of Our Lady of Guadalupe Church, giving rise to the current hyphenated church name.

But while the ethnic composition of Walker's Point has changed over the years, the neighborhood itself looks much as it did at the turn of the century. The majority of its buildings--homes, churches, public buildings, commercial blocks--date from the 1840's to early 1900's and, like Holy Trinity Church, many are attractive buildings surviving in respectable, relatively unaltered condition. For this reason, Walker's Point is currently being considered for redevelopment as a preservation (historic) district. Should this materialize, the Landmark church and associated school-rectory-convent complex will figure prominently in the planning.

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Historic American Buildings Survey, Wisconsin Architecture, Washington, D. C., 1965, 58.
 Pagel, Mary Ellen and Palmer, Virginia A., Guides to Historic Milwaukee: Walker's Point and South, Milwaukee, 1969, 6, 7.
 Perrin, Richard W. E., Historic Wisconsin Buildings, Milwaukee, 1962, 52-53.
 Perrin, Richard W. E., Milwaukee Landmarks, Milwaukee, 1968, 6-9.

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

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11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:
Mary Ellen Wietczykowski, Chairman

ORGANIZATION: Milwaukee Landmarks Commission DATE: Feb. 18, 1972

STREET AND NUMBER:
210 West Michigan Street

CITY OR TOWN: Milwaukee STATE: Wisconsin CODE: 55

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

<p>As the designated State Liaison 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. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:</p> <p>National <input type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> Local <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Name <u>James Morton Smith</u> <u>James Morton Smith</u></p> <p>Title <u>Director, State Historical Society of Wisconsin</u></p> <p>Date <u>MAR 20 1972</u></p>	<p>I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register.</p> <p><u>Robert K. Utley</u> Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation</p> <p>Date <u>11/7/72</u></p> <p>ATTEST:</p> <p><u>William H. Huntley</u> Keeper of the National Register</p> <p>Date <u>11-1</u></p>
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6.

Wisconsin Inventory of Historic Buildings and Sites (state)

1969-71

State Historical Society of Wisconsin

816 State Street

Madison

Wisconsin

Code: 55

Walker's Point Preservation District Inventory (local)

1970

Land Ethics, Incorporated

813 South Third Street

Milwaukee

Wisconsin

Code: 55

