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## St. Joseph's Catholic Church

### **Architectural Survey File**

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**CH-68  
St. Joseph's Catholic Church  
Pomfret  
Private**

**circa 1763  
1849 (present  
building)**

Completed in 1849, St. Joseph's Catholic Church at Pomfret consists of a 1-story stuccoed brick building fronted by a 3-1/2-story stuccoed frame bell tower. Erected in several stages, the building reflects the changing needs of this Catholic Congregation over two centuries. The property is located on the north side of Marshall Corner Road adjacent to the Pomfret Post Office. The church compound includes the sanctuary, a substantial cemetery, and several modern-era ancillary buildings, all set on a 19-acre lot.

St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Pomfret was established in 1763 by Father George Hunter. The first chapel to occupy the present site was located approximately 100 yards northeast of the current church and stood until 1835 when it was demolished due to deterioration. The second St. Joseph's Church was dedicated in 1849, and has, since then, served the congregation continuously. The building's original appearance has been significantly altered by the addition of a central frame bell tower in the late 19th century, and the addition of stucco exterior cladding. The interior, however, retains much of its original look, including its floor plan, galleries, shallow barrel-arched ceiling, and portions of its decorative woodwork. Although extensively altered in the 20th century, the church is among the best preserved mid-nineteenth century religious buildings documented in Charles County.

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST  
MD INVENTORY OF HISTORIC PROPERTIES

Inventory No. CH-68

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1. Name of Property

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historic name St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Pomfret  
common/other name Pomfret Chapel

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2. Location

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street & number 4585 St. Joseph's Way not for publication \_\_\_\_\_  
city or town Pomfret vicinity X state Maryland code MD  
county Charles code 017 zip code 20675

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3. State/Federal Agency Certification N/A

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4. National Park Service Certification N/A

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5. Classification

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Ownership of Property (Check all that apply)

private  
 public-local  
 public-State  
 public-Federal

Category of Property (Check only one box)

building(s)  
 district  
 site  
 structure  
 object

Number of Resources within Property

Contributing		Noncontributing	
<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>		buildings
<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>		sites
<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>		structures
<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>		objects
<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>		Total

Is this property listed in the National Register?

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ Name of Listing \_\_\_\_\_  
No X

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6. Function or Use  
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Historic Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

Cat: RELIGIOUS Sub: Church  
FUNERARY Cemetery

Current Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

Cat: RELIGIOUS Sub: Church  
FUNERARY Cemetery

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7. Description  
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Architectural Classification (Enter categories from instructions)

Other: altered

Materials (Enter categories from instructions)

foundation solid: not visible  
roof front gable: asphalt shingles  
walls brick: stuccoed  
other \_\_\_\_\_

Narrative Description (Describe the historic and current condition of the property.)

See Continuation Sheet No. 7-1

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8. Statement of Significance  
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Applicable National Register Criteria (Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing)

- A Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
- B Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
- C Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.
- D Property has yielded, or is likely to yield information important in prehistory or history.

Criteria Considerations (Mark "X" in all the boxes that apply.)

- A owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.
- B removed from its original location.
- C a birthplace or a grave.
- D a cemetery.
- E a reconstructed building, object, or structure.
- F a commemorative property.
- G less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.

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Areas of Significance (Enter categories from instructions)

RELIGION  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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Period of Significance 1763-1949  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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Significant Dates 1763; 1849  
1879; 1893  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Significant Person (Complete if Criterion B is marked above)  
\_\_\_\_\_

Cultural Affiliation Undefined  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Architect/Builder Unknown  
\_\_\_\_\_

Narrative Statement of Significance (Explain the significance of the property.)

See Continuation Sheet No. 8-1

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9. Major Bibliographical References  
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(Cite the books, articles, legal records, and other sources used in preparing this form.)

Brown, Jack D., et al. *Charles County, Maryland, A History*. Charles County Bicentennial Committee, 1976.

Charles County Land Records, Charles County Courthouse, La Plata, Maryland.

*History of Saint Joseph's Church, Pomfret, Maryland: 1763-1963, 1963*. (Unpublished booklet available at the Southern Maryland Studies Center, Charles County Community College, La Plata, MD).

Klapthor, Margaret Brown. *The History of Charles County, Maryland*. La Plata, MD: Charles County Tercentenary, Inc., 1958.

Kennedy, Carol & Patricia Riedel. "Saint Joseph's Parish, a Brief History," undated pamphlet.

St. Joseph's Historical Files, Parish Office, Pomfret, Maryland.

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 10. Geographical Data  
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Acreage of Property 18.798 acres

**Verbal Boundary Description (Describe the boundaries of the property.)**

The property at 4585 St. Joseph's Way is designated as Parcel 3 on Map 22, Grid 4 on the Charles County Property Map.

**Boundary Justification (Explain why the boundaries were selected.)**

The present church and cemetery at 4585 St. Joseph's Way has been associated with Parcel 3, Map 22 since their completion in 1859.

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 11. Form Prepared By  
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name/title Kathryn Gettings Smith, Architectural Historian  
 organization Charles County Planning Dept. date Oct. 20, 1998  
 street & number P.O. Box B telephone 301-645-0689  
 city or town La Plata state MD zip code 20646  
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12. Property Owner  
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name St. Joseph's Catholic Church  
 street & number P.O. Box 100 telephone 301-870-3041  
 city or town Pomfret state MD zip code 20675  
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Completed in **1849**, St. Joseph's Catholic Church at Pomfret consists of a 1-story stuccoed brick building fronted by a 3-1/2-story stuccoed frame bell tower. Erected in several stages, the building reflects the changing needs of this Catholic Congregation over two centuries. The property is located on the north side of Marshall Corner Road adjacent to the Pomfret Post Office. The church compound includes the sanctuary, a substantial cemetery, and several modern-era ancillary buildings, all set on a 19-acre lot.

The church is sited on approximately 19 open acres on the north side of Marshall Corner Road adjacent to the Pomfret Post Office. It shares the parcel with a sizable cemetery located north and east of the church building. In addition, several modern ancillary buildings occupy the compound, including a rectory and parish office. The site is accessed via a series of paved roads and scattered with several mature cedar trees.

During the earliest stage of construction (1839-1849), a 3-bay-wide, 3-bay deep brick church was erected with an arched center entry on its east gable end. This centered entry was flanked by 6/6 wood sash windows topped by decorative brick lintels. Two similar windows lit the interior gallery from this same east elevation. Three window bays, containing large rectangular apertures, extended along the depth of the church on its north and south flanks. The building originally featured a corbeled brick cornice and one exterior stove flue located near the northeast corner of the building.

The church's interior consisted of a single open sanctuary space with matching balconies extending down the length of the building. Resting on rows of Tuscan-style wood columns, the balconies are adorned with a classically-inspired balustrade. The ceiling was formed in a shallow barrel vault shape. Two aisles approached the altar with box-pews lining the building's flanks and filling the center of the church.

In **1879**, the second stage of construction was completed. At that time, the sanctuary was removed and the west end of the building extended by one third the original length. This gable roof extension contained two new round-headed windows located on the flanks in the added bay. In addition, a second stove flue was added near the church's southwest corner. Eight memorial stained-glass windows were also added at this time.

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The third major stage of construction altered the overall design of the structure with the addition of the square bell tower at the front of the church. Completed in **1893**, the frame bell tower was built by Ernest Frazier of Washington, D.C. at a cost of \$675.00, exclusive of painting and plastering. Three and a half stories in height, the tower featured a double-leaf entry crowned by semi-circular fanlights, and paired elongated windows at the second story. These paired windows were capped by arched inset decorative panels. Paired rounded-headed vents pierced the third level of the tower, while a two-stage steeple with an open belfry originally crowned the tower (see pre-1929 photo).

Other minor additions and alterations were made to St. Joseph's over the years. These include the addition of the sacristy in 1903, the stuccoing of the building's exterior in 1929, and the installation of electricity around 1939.

Numerous structural and cosmetic alterations made over the past fifty years have significantly altered the appearance of the church. The most major of these changes include the application of "Celotex" panels<sup>1</sup> to the building's exterior (1942-1950), the shoring up of the bell tower with concrete block and stucco, and the reconstruction of the bell tower (1951). In addition, in 1990, the sacristy was altered and extended by a 1-story cinder block addition that wraps around the northwest corner of the building where it forms additional seating space for worshipers.

In 1977, the church underwent a major remodeling (see 1977 photos). This included the removal of most of the interior fixtures and finishes. The ceiling was refinished and new lighting and heating systems installed. The pews were replaced and the floors carpeted. The chancel was also redesigned at this time. Its recessed arch that framed the chancel was diminished in depth and attenuated Tuscan columns were added at the springing of the arch as supports. Two doors were also cut into the back wall of the church. One exterior door was set south of the altar with a transom above, and a second door cut to the north, accessing the sacristy. Much of the interior wood finishes were also replaced or altered during this renovation, and the light fixtures in the sanctuary replaced. However, the balconies, stairs, and entrance from the vestibule

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<sup>1</sup> Celotex is a composition board made of sugar-cane residue used in the insulation of buildings.

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remain intact (the original entry doors are stored in the Church's storage space at the northwest corner of the building).

The bell tower has also been remodeled inside, with its second floor (accessed from the gallery) devoted for use as a gift shop. The belfry is still accessible through a pull-down ladder in the gift shop ceiling.

Most recently, in 1987, the stained glass windows were replaced for the second time. The only remaining 1879 stained glass window is located in the fanlight that crowns the original main entrance to the church.

OUTBUILDINGS:

Two non-historic outbuildings are associated with the historic church and cemetery. One is a 1970s, 1-story rambler-style brick and frame rectory located west of the sanctuary. The other is a 1950s frame office with a side gable roof and symmetrically arranged facade. According to church records, the historic rectory was demolished in 1987. This building may appear in an undated photograph of the church before its stuccoing (see pre-1929 photo). It appears that the rectory was once located directly behind the chapel, and consisted of a frame side gable dwelling.

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St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Pomfret was established in 1763 by Father George Hunter. The first chapel to occupy the present site was located approximately 100 yards northeast of the current church and stood until 1835 when it was demolished due to deterioration. The second St. Joseph's Church was dedicated in 1849, and has, since then, served the congregation continuously. The building's original appearance has been significantly altered by the addition of a central frame bell tower in the late 19th century, and the addition of stucco cladding. The interior, however, retains much of its original look, including its floor plan, shallow barrel-arched ceiling, and portions of its decorative woodwork. Although extensively altered in the 20th century, the church is among the best preserved mid-nineteenth century religious buildings documented in Charles County.

Prior to the mid-18th century when St. Joseph's in Pomfret was founded, area Catholics worshiped at various private residences known as worship "stations." Separate chapels or rooms within the private residence were set aside for services, and traveling priests would visit and say mass. Several of these residence "stations" in Charles County have been identified. They include "Araby" (CH-11 NR), Acquinsicke (CH-53 NR), and Pleasant Hill (CH-78 NR).<sup>2</sup>

St. Joseph's Church, Pomfret was established by Father George Hunter, S.J. in 1763. In that year, Hunter purchased two acres of land from William Clements known as part of "Clements Addition." A small frame chapel was erected on the site, located approximately 100 yards northeast of the present church building. This chapel was used for mass on the first, third and fifth Sundays of the month, and continued to serve the congregation until 1835, when due to the building's deterioration, it was demolished.<sup>3</sup>

In 1837, Father Thomas Lilly, S.J. established a subscription to raise funds for building a new church. A local resident and parishioner, Francis C. Green, donated additional land for the church in 1848. Construction on the new chapel had begun by 1839, when Father Aloysius Mudd recorded the cost of the bricks being

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<sup>2</sup> *History of Saint Joseph's Church, Pomfret, Maryland, 1763-1963*, 1963: pp. 38-40.

<sup>3</sup> *History of Saint Joseph's*, pp. 38-41.

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used to erect the new church.<sup>4</sup> William A. Maddox was contracted to build part of Pomfret Church for \$1137, while William G. Brown was retained to paint the building in March 1847. In a receipt of payment, contractor William A. Maddox acknowledged his payment "with the exception of some interest that accrued [sic] on the banister purchased by the Rev. Mr. Kroes of James Gren of Alexandria...."<sup>5</sup> This "banister" may refer to the balustrade that still adorns the gallery.

After ten years of construction, the church was finally completed, and the first mass was said there on January 6, 1849. Thirty years later, the need for additional space in the church motivated the congregation to contract for the removal of the chancel wall and the extension of the church by one third its original length. At the same time, eight memorial stained glass windows were installed in the church, including the only remaining historic panel still located above the main entrance to the sanctuary. The church was again altered in 1893, when the bell tower was erected at the front, and in 1903, when a sacristy was added at the west end. The church has undergone numerous repair and remodeling campaigns over the course of the 20th century (see discussion under Section 7).

Numerous locally prominent Charles County residents have been members or pastors of St. Joseph's congregation during its 236 years of service. These include Francis Xavier Neale, brother of Leonard Neale, the second Archbishop of Baltimore; and Maurice McDonough, an 18th century merchant who donated his fortune for the education of poor children in Charles County, and who is buried at St. Joseph's Church cemetery.

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<sup>4</sup> *History of Saint Joseph's*, pp. 40-42.

<sup>5</sup> *History of Saint Joseph's*, p. 43.

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**LAND/BUILDING CHRONOLOGY**

February 22, 1763	George Clements deeds to George Hunter, S.J. two acres of "Clements Addition" (Liber L3, folio 236)
circa 1763	Frame chapel built approx. 100 yards northeast of present church
circa 1835	Chapel demolished due to deterioration
October 10, 1848	Francis C. and Elizabeth T. Green donated two roods, two perches of land on which the recently erected Catholic Church stood, part of "Cedar Grove," to Archbishop of Baltimore (Liber WM 3, folio 217)
circa 1839-1849	Present brick church under construction (opened January 6, 1849) (primary contractor William A. Maddox)
1875	Survey of property around Pomfret Church by James L. Brawner, County Surveyor (November 15, 1875)
March 10, 1876	Deed of 11 acres around Pomfret Chapel from Francis B. Green, et al. (Liber BGS 1, folio 245)
1879	Church enlarged by one third at west end
1893	Bell tower erected by Ernest Frazier, contractor of Washington, D.C. (cost \$675 plus)
1903	Sacristy added on west end
1908	Social hall/pavilion built on site

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**LAND/BUILDING CHRONOLOGY (Cont'd.)**

March 18, 1909      Bernard E. Green deeded 1.75 acres  
to Cardinal Gibbons (Liber 20,  
Folio 121)

1929                Church stuccoed (interior or  
exterior?) by local contractor A.  
Clay Willet

1939-1942         Electricity installed in church,  
social hall, and rectory; termite  
damage repaired (sleepers replaced,  
new wainscoting installed, damaged  
pillars replaced); 1879 stained  
glass windows replaced

1942-1950         Walls covered in "Celotex" panels  
to prevent moisture damage; running  
water installed in rectory

1951                Termite damage in bell Tower  
repaired (concrete block cladding  
and stucco added)

1960                1908 social hall condemned and  
rebuilt, Walter Willet contractor  
and Douglas Lowe architect, cost:  
\$20,000

1977                Church remodeled (interior woodwork  
and finishes removed and replaced;  
new pews?)

1985                Organ installed

December 31, 1985      Baldus Real Estate deeded 3.8 acres  
to Archbishop James A. Hickey  
(Liber 1103, folio 90)

1986                New stained glass windows installed

1987                Old rectory demolished

1988                Social hall remodeled and dedicated  
as Brady Hall

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**HISTORIC CONTEXT:**

**Geographic Organization:** Western Shore

**Chronological/Development Period (s):**

Rural Agrarian Intensification,  
1680-1815  
Agricultural-Industrial Transition,  
1815-1870  
Industrial/Urban Dominance, 1870-  
1930  
Modern Period, 1930-present

**Prehistoric/Historic Period Theme (s):**

RELIGION

**RESOURCE TYPE(S)**

**Category:** Building

**Historic Environment:** Rural

**Historic Function (s):** RELIGIOUS/Church

**Known Design Source:** Unknown

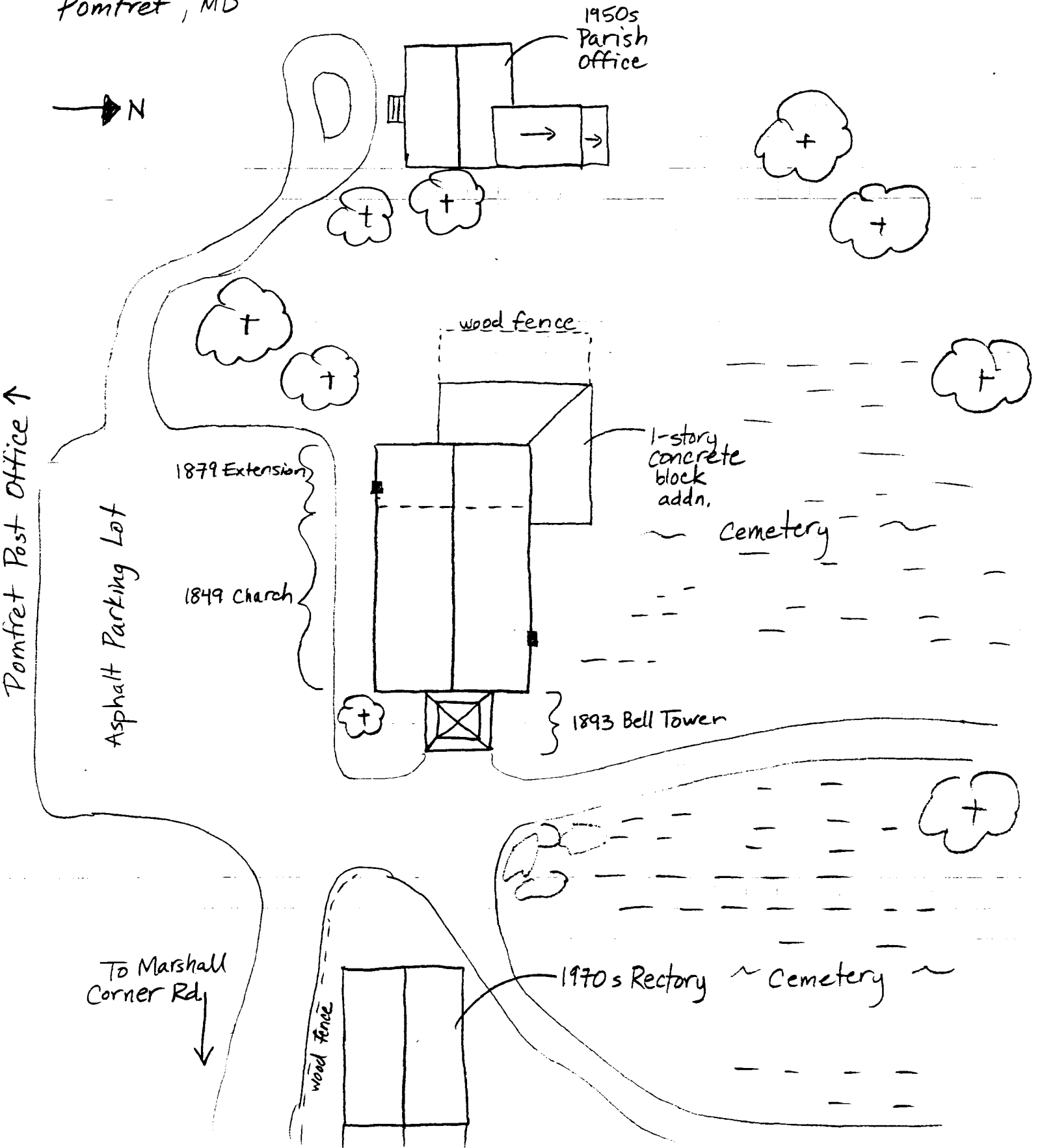




RESOURCE SKETCH MAP

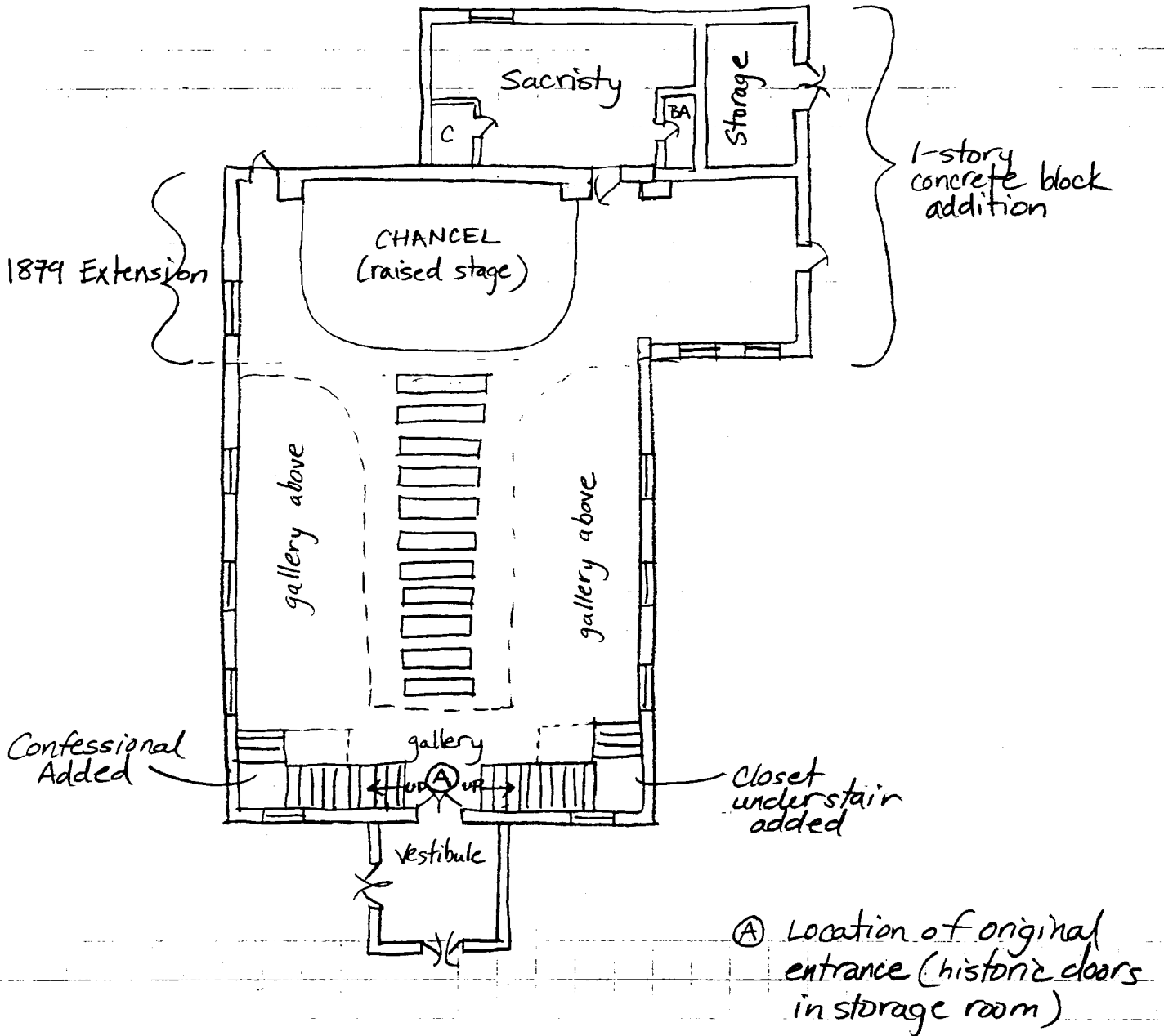
ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH & CEMETERY  
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FLOOR PLAN  
[Not to Scale]

K.G. SMITH  
10/98

N. R. FIELD SHEET

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE:	
COUNTY:	
FOR NPS USE ONLY	
ENTRY NUMBER	DATE

1. NAME

COMMON: St. Joseph's Church

AND/OR HISTORIC:

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER: MD 227

CITY OR TOWN: Pomfret

STATE Maryland CODE COUNTY: Charles CODE

3. CLASSIFICATION

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

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNERS NAME: St. Joseph's Parish

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN: Pomfret STATE: Maryland CODE

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

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

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN: La Plata STATE: Maryland CODE

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY:

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:

DATE OF SURVEY: Federal  State  County  Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN: STATE: CODE

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STATE: COUNTY: ENTRY NUMBER DATE FOR NPS USE ONLY

7. DESCRIPTION

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

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (If known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

St. Joseph's Church is a brick building with square bellfry at the front. The church was built in the first half of the nineteenth century the latest of several structures built on the same site since 1760. The original structure has three square stained windows composed of square panes on each side with the front entrance at the base of the bellfry. The roof is of "A" plan and the brick walls covered by stucco. The interior has a balcony along the front wall and both sides and the seating area on the ground level is divided into thirds through the use of two side aisles. Most of the mouldings on the interior and exterior are of Victorian vintage.

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B. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

Pre-Columbian <input type="checkbox"/>	16th Century <input type="checkbox"/>	18th Century <input type="checkbox"/>	20th Century <input type="checkbox"/>
15th Century <input type="checkbox"/>	17th Century <input type="checkbox"/>	19th Century <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

Aboriginal <input type="checkbox"/>	Education <input type="checkbox"/>	Political <input type="checkbox"/>	Urban Planning <input type="checkbox"/>
Prehistoric <input type="checkbox"/>	Engineering <input type="checkbox"/>	Religion/Philosophy <input type="checkbox"/>	Other (Specify) <input type="checkbox"/>
Historic <input type="checkbox"/>	Industry <input type="checkbox"/>	Science <input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Agriculture <input type="checkbox"/>	Invention <input type="checkbox"/>	Sculpture <input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Art <input type="checkbox"/>	Landscape <input type="checkbox"/>	Social/Humanitarian <input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Commerce <input type="checkbox"/>	Architecture <input type="checkbox"/>	Theater <input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Communications <input type="checkbox"/>	Literature <input type="checkbox"/>	Transportation <input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Conservation <input type="checkbox"/>	Military <input type="checkbox"/>		_____
	Music <input type="checkbox"/>		_____

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (Include Personages, Dates, Events, Etc.)

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN ONE ACRE		
CORNER	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE		LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	
	Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds		Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds	
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SE	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	
SW	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE

11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE: J. Richard Rivoire

ORGANIZATION: Maryland Historical Trust DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

STREET AND NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY OR TOWN: Annapolis STATE: Maryland CODE: \_\_\_\_\_

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

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:

National  State  Local

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Title \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

Date \_\_\_\_\_

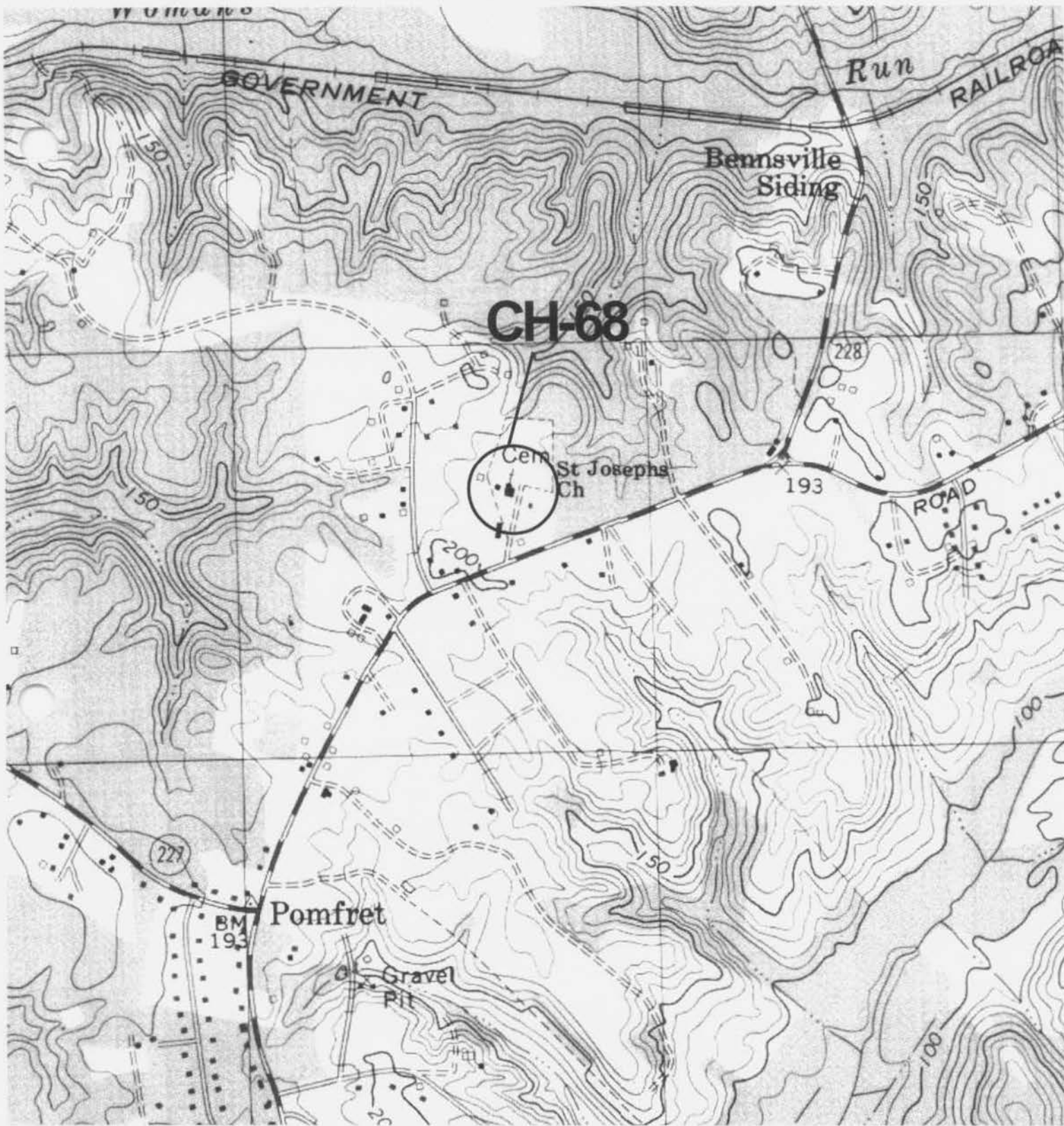
ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Keeper of The National Register

Date \_\_\_\_\_

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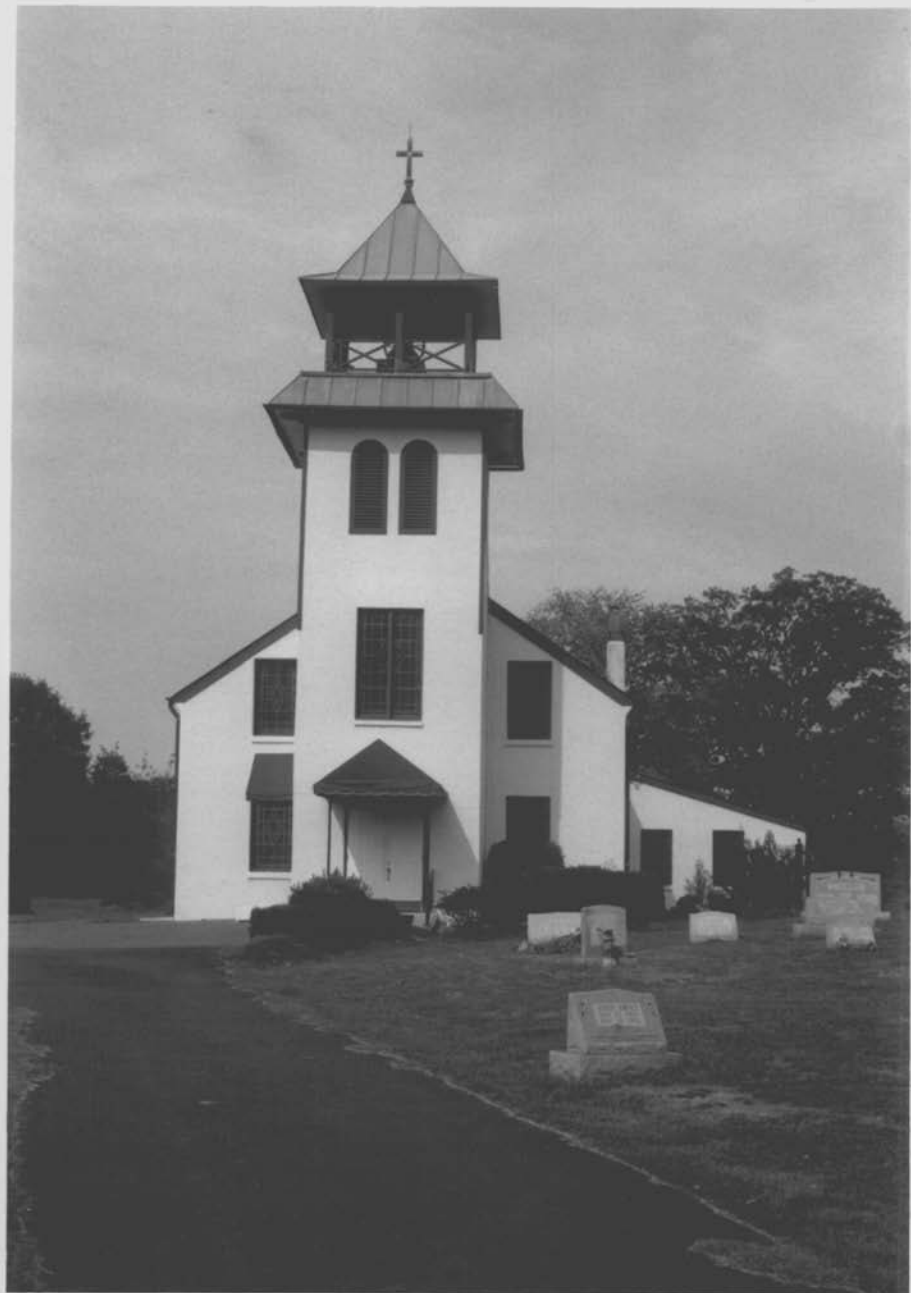


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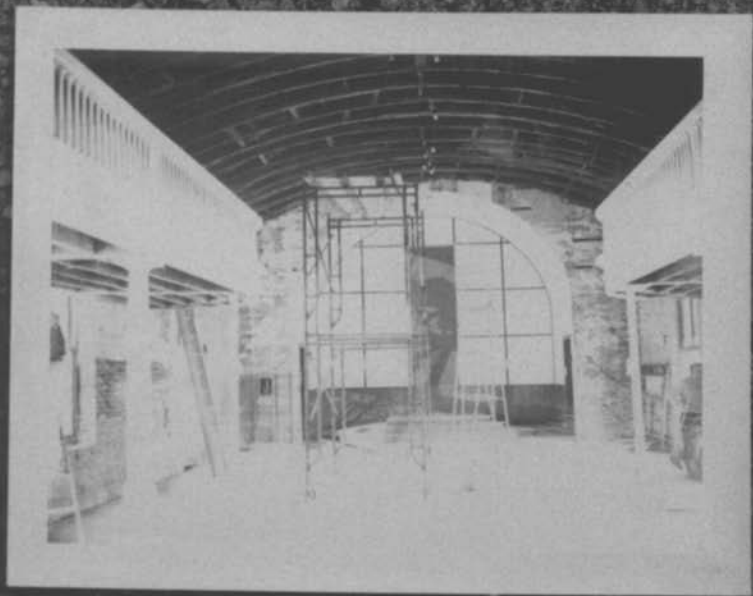
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to the memory of  
**EDWARD J. HAMILTON**  
our affectionate father  
who departed this life  
the 13 day of December 1811  
in the 14 year of his age  
*May he rest in peace  
Amen.*



EDWARD HAMILTON  
MARINE IN THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION  
1781 - 1824  
HIS WIFE  
ELEANOR HARKINS  
1782 - 1836  
REMOVED FROM THE OLD GRAVE  
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CEMETERY, GRAVESTONE OF EDWARD J. HAMILTON,  
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