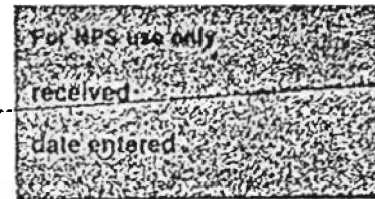


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INDIVIDUAL DATA SHEET

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

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North Little Rock, AR

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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

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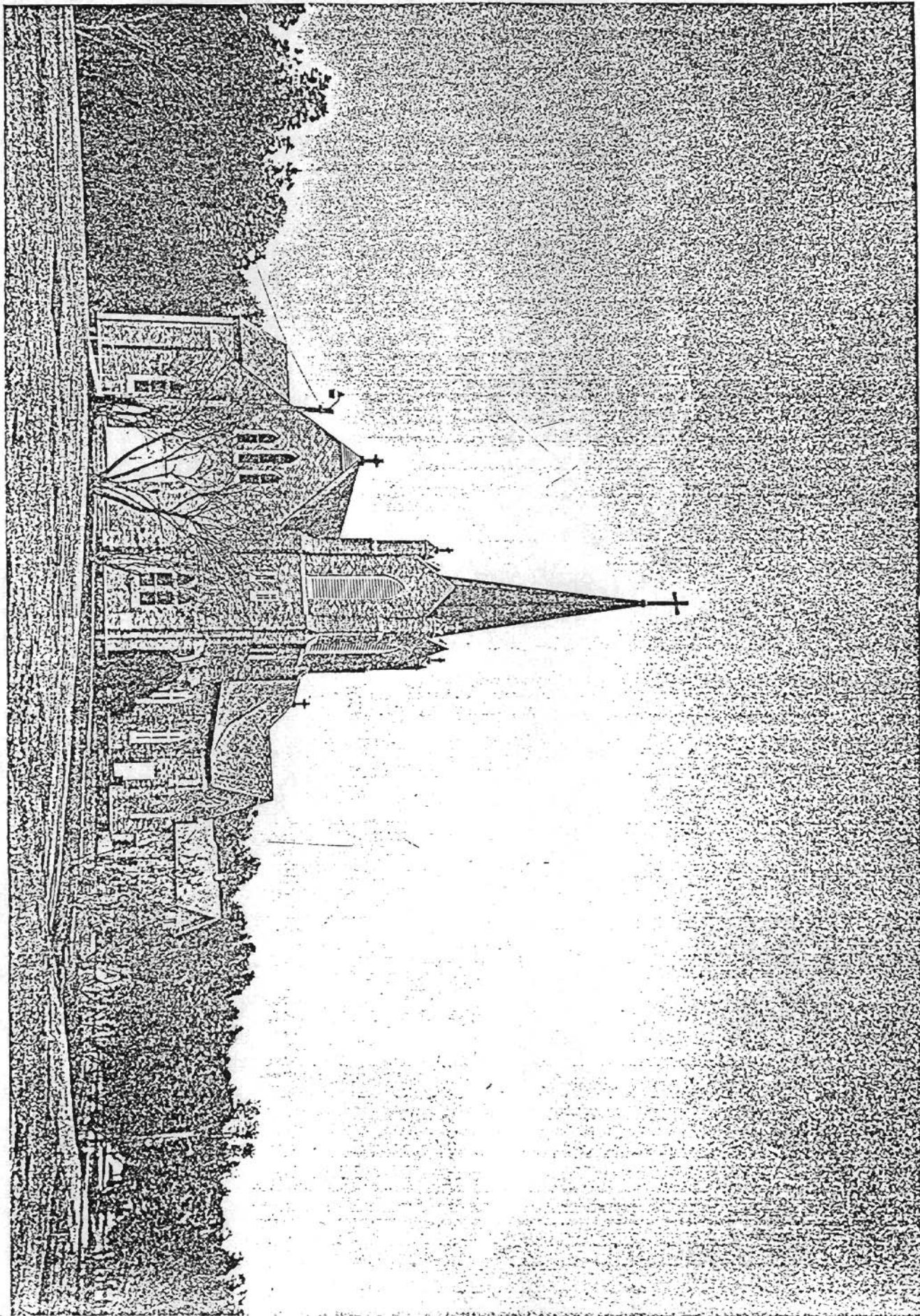
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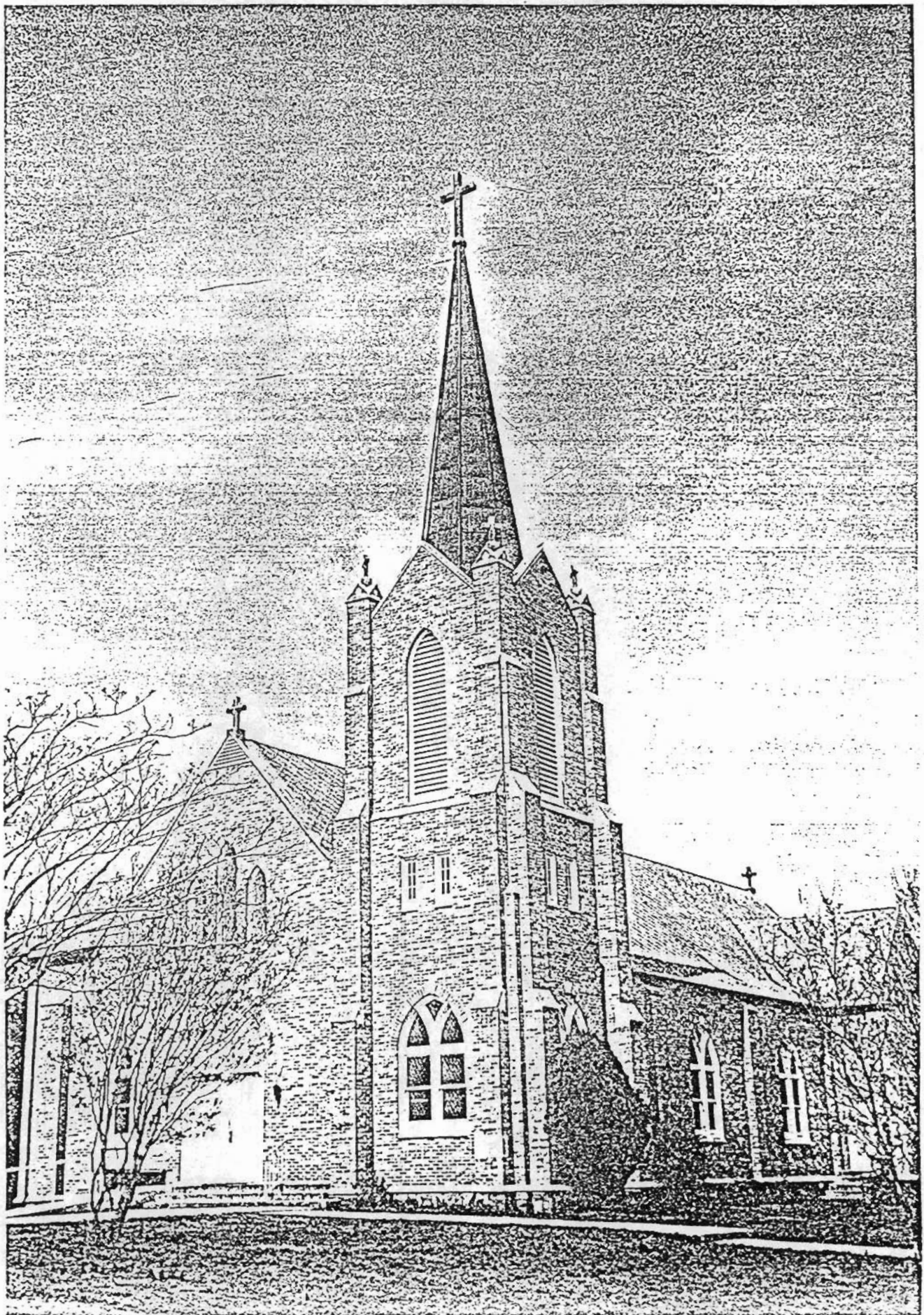
Physical Description

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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RESERVATION

(APPROXIMATE)

T O H E N

Oakwood Church
Shaw School
BM

278
Morgan

Cedar Heights Church

White

Oak

18 rock

Immaculate Heart of Mary Ch
Cemetery

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Blue Hill School

210 000 FEET
(NORTH)

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