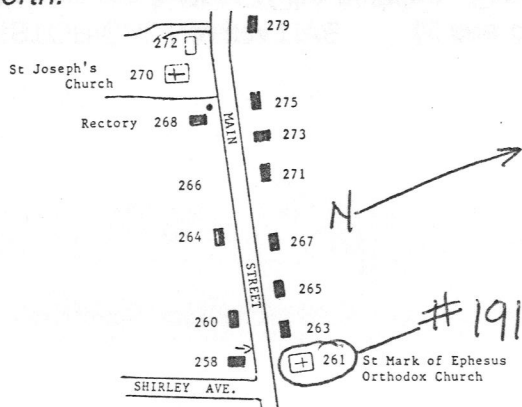


Draw a map showing the building location in relation to the nearest cross streets and/or major natural features. Show all buildings between inventoried building and nearest intersection or natural feature. Label streets including route numbers, if any. Circle and number the inventoried building. Indicate north.



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Organization Kingston Historical Commission

Date (month/year) May 1998

USGS number _____ USGS Quad Plymouth Area(s) B Form Number 191

KIN.191

Town Kingston

Place (neighborhood or village) KIN.

Address 261 Main Street

Historic Name _____

Uses: Present St. Marks Orthodox Church

Original St. Joseph's R.C. Church

Date of Construction 1882

Source newspaper

Style/Form _____

Architect/Builder _____

Exterior Material: _____

Foundation brick

Wall/Trim wood shingles

Roof asphalt shingles

Outbuildings/Secondary Structures _____

Major Alterations (with dates) _____

Condition good

Moved ☒ no ☐ yes Date _____

Acreage .75 acres

Setting linear village

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BUILDING FORM

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION

☒ *see continuation sheet*

Describe architectural features Evaluate the characteristics of this building in terms of other buildings within the community.

SEE CONTINUATION SHEET

HISTORICAL NARRATIVE

☒ *see continuation sheet*

Discuss the history of the building. Explain its associations with local (or state) history. Include uses of the building, and the role(s) the owners/occupants played within the community.

SEE CONTINUATION SHEET

BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES

☒ *see continuation sheet*

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☐ Recommended for listing in the National Register of Historic Places.
a completed National Register Criteria Statement form.

If checked, you must attach

INVENTORY FORM CONTINUATION SHEET

Community

Kingston

Property Address

261 Main Street

KIN.191

Massachusetts Historical Commission
220 Morrissey Blvd.
Boston, Massachusetts 02125

Area(s) FormNo.

B

191

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION:

The church at 261 Main Street was built in 1882. This 3x6 bay, wood frame, 2 story building sits on a brick foundation. The building is clad with wood shingles. The front gable roof is covered with asphalt shingles. A brick chimney is located on the east slope toward the rear of the building. The center entrance contains 6-panel paired wood doors with flat surrounds, topped by a 6-light transom. A hood supported with brackets and open-work detailing along the bottom edge protects the entrance. This entrance is within a 1x1 bay projecting, gable roof porch. The windows are tall and thin and contain fixed sash with casement sash on the lower 1/4 of the window. The cornice is boxed. The facade is articulated with vergeboard with a circular design. A 1x1 bay toward the rear of the east elevation contains a secondary entrance.

HISTORICAL BACKGROUND:

FROM: *Then & Now* - from Kingston Reporter : St. Joseph's Church, originally a mission chapel of St. Peter's in Plymouth, was called "The Church of the Visitation." Built in 1882, the building remains standing on Main Street, southeasterly of the present St. Joseph's.

Prior to 1882, St. Peter's Church served Catholics in Carver, Plympton, Duxbury, Hanson, and Marshfield, in addition to Kingston and Plymouth. Originally, Catholic Masses in Kingston were celebrated in the 1850's for one of the first Irish families who were tenants living in the historic Bradford House on Landing Road, Kingston. It was 1873 when the parish officially began as a mission of St. Peter's.

Today the church is known as St. Marks Orthodox Church.

BIBLIOGRAPHY:

Then & Now - from Kingston Reporter - 1984 various dates
MAPS:

1879 Atlas of Plymouth County. George E. Walker. [MHC]

1896 Bird's Eye View of Kingston [KPL & MSL]

1903 Atlas of Plymouth County. George E. Walker. [KPL]

Sanborn Insurance Company Maps:

Plymouth: 1896 June

1901 April (1896, 1901, 1906 include Kingston Village

1906 Feb. and Factories in Kingston)

Kingston: 1912 (6 sheets)

1925 (7 sheets)

1943 (7 sheets)

1954 (8 sheets)



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220 Morrissey Blvd.
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Community

KIN.191
Property Address

Kingston

261 Main Street

Area(s) FormNo.

B 191

National Register of Historic Places Criteria Statement Form

Check all that apply:



- ☐ Individually eligible ☐ Eligible only in a historic district
☒ Contributing to a potential historic district ☐ Potential historic district

Criteria: ☒ A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D

Criteria Considerations: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G

Statement of Significance by Deirdre Brotherson

The criteria that are checked in the above sections must be justified here.

This property is eligible for the National Register of Historic Places as a contributing building to a Historic District (Area B). This district is eligible under Criterion A (associated with events that have made a contribution to the broad pattern of our history) as a building which is part of a linear village on Main Street which has evolved from a village area to a residential neighborhood (there are few commercial establishments on Main Street - they have shifted to areas near the railroad) but the architecture in this linear district continues to tell the story of the evolution of this area through the variety and high quality of the architectural styles (Criterion C: the building embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction - as a contributing architectural member of this district.)

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SECT A

KIN.191

In Area no.

Form no.

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ON
on

1. Town Kingston

Address MAIN ST (upper)

Name St. Joseph Parish Hall

Present use Church functions

Present owner St. Joseph's Church

3. Description:

Date _____

Source _____

Style _____

Architect _____

Exterior wall fabric Brick

Outbuildings (describe) NONE

Other features _____

Altered NO Date _____

Moved NO Date _____

5. Lot size:

One acre or less _____ Over one acre ☒

Approximate frontage 75'

Approximate distance of building from street

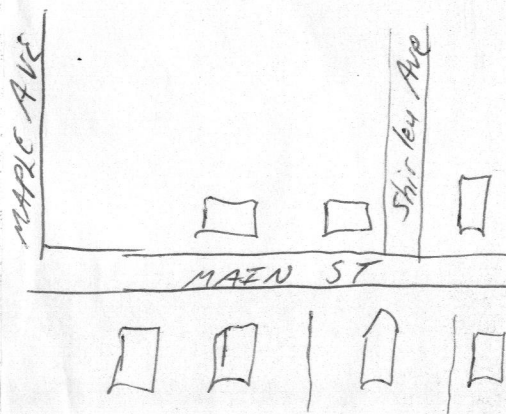
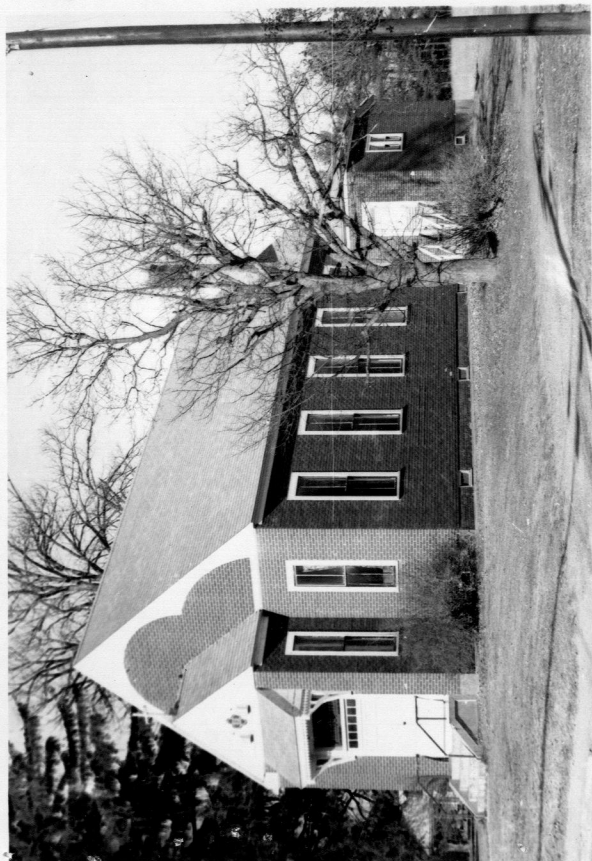
25' TO 30'

6. Recorded by Edward J. Valla

Organization Kingston Historical Comm

Date 11/Jan/84

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USGS Quadrant _____

MHC Photo no. _____

7. Original owner (if known) _____

Original use Original St Joseph's Church (Catholic)

Subsequent uses (if any) and dates _____

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

Aboriginal	_____	Conservation	_____	Recreation	_____
Agricultural	_____	Education	_____	Religion	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Architectural	_____	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)

Was the Catholic Church in Kingston until A 1908, when the new Church was constructed.

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

Major Bradfords Town by Doris Johnson Melville 1976.