St Paulinus, Guisborough

150 Park Lane, Guisborough









Part 1: Core data

1.1 Listed grade: Not listed

1.2 Conservation area: No

1.3 Architect: Not established

1.4 Date(s): 1927, extended 1959

1.5 Date of visit: 7 November 2007

1.6 Name of report author: Geoff Brandwood

1.7 Name of parish priest and/or contact(s) made on site: Very Rev. Canon Michael Bayldon

1.8 Associated buildings: Disused bungalow

1.9 Bibliographic references:

Middlesbrough Diocesan Yearbook 2007

Part 2: Analysis

2.1 Statement of Importance

The church was cheaply built in the 1920s and later extended in similar vein. It is of no of particular architectural or historic interest.

2.2 Historical background

Built in 1927 and extended east in 1959. The architect has not been established.

2.3 Setting

Mixed use: the housing varies in age. There is a filling station opposite.

2.4 Description of the building and its principal fittings and furnishings

The church is oriented north so direction given here are liturgical.

The building is constructed of artificial, rock-faced blocks imitating stone. It has a nave and chancel in one. After the 1959 extension it consists of seven bays, including the two-bay chancel. The windows are wooden. Internally, the only architectural feature of any pretension is the spindly hammerbeam roof which was carefully replicated in the extension. There is, however, a fine statue known as Our Lady of Guisborough, carved in 1947 by the artist Lindsey Clark.