

St. Luke's Church (Old Bonaventure) fonds. - 1889 - 2004 - 9 cm textual

Administrative history

"The first [St. Luke's] was in the vicinity of the old cemetery nearer to the harbour. It was blown down in a June gale. An interesting note is that a cow that was seeking protection from the elements was killed in the collapse.

A Mr. Short was in charge of the building of the present edifice and some lumber, namely the wide hemlock boards from England, was salvaged from the old ruins. The present church was consecrated by Bishop Jones on November 13, 1892 when The Rev'd. William Weaver was rector of the parish. [The service was at 10:30 a. m. and 54 people attended.] The original roof was covered with Trinity Bay slate and the belfry stood separate from the main building.

In the mid nineteen hundreds the wood posts were replaced by concrete pillars and the bell was moved to a newly constructed tower. In more recent times the roof received repairs both inside and out and an attractive spire was added atop the tower."

Source: TIDINGS, May 2000 (a newsletter of The Bonaventure- English Harbour Development Association)

Custodial History

The records were kept and maintained at St. Luke's Church, Old Bonaventure until 2009 when they were donated to the archives by a congregational/community committee.

Scope and Content

The fonds consists of four Vestry Books for the years 1889 - 2004.

The records have been organized into a series according to form and function.

Notes

Supplied title based on provenance.

Donated by the committee to deal with the closeout of St. Luke's.

Series 1: Vestry Books. - 1889 - 2004. - 9 cm

Vestry books are maintained in the vestry of a church and are written up after each church service by the person who conducted the same.

The series consists of four original volumes.

- 1.01 Vestry book 1889 - 1926
- 1.02 Vestry book 1926 - 1942
- 1.03 Vestry book 1942 - 1968
- 1.04 Vestry book 1968 - 2004