

All Saints Anglican Church (English Harbour) fonds. – 1885-1897, 1996 - 14.8 cm textual records

Administrative history

All Saints Anglican Church of English Harbour was constructed in 1898 and consecrated on All Saints Day in 1900. It was built to replace St. Silas Anglican Church which was constructed between 1826 and 1829 and replaced a school chapel which was in use from the late 1700's to 1826. All Saints being the third Anglican Church to be built in the community. The bell in the tower of the church was cast in 1885 by Meneely & Co. of West Troy, U.S.A. and was used until the church was closed in 2004 due to small congregational size and much needed repairs.

Custodial history

The original records are stored at the Parish Rectory in Port Rexton. Permission was received from Rev. John Gilliam, Rector, Anglican Parish of Port Rexton, to have these records copied for the archives in 2004.

Slope and Content

The fonds consists of the administrative and financial records of the church and includes the following material: Minutes of Meetings, 1917- 1931; Minute Book, 1931 - 1952-53; Minutes of the Congregation Meetings, 1954- 1984; Vestry Minutes, February 1960 - January 1977; Cash Book, 1931-1958; Record of Envelope Givings, 1963-1996; Accounts Book, 1966- 1996; Register of Services, January 1897- December 1921; Vestry Book, 1922-1952; and Visitor=s Book, 1980-1996.

The records have been organized into four series according to the form and function of the records: Series 1: Minutes of Vestry, 1917-1931; Series 2: Financial Records, 1931-1996; Series 3: Vestry Register, 1897-1952; Series 4: Visitor=s Book, 1980 - 1996.

Notes

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Donated by the Rector of the Anglican Parish of Port Rexton, Rev. J. Gilliam, August 2004.

Series 1: Minutes of Vestry. - 1917 - 1984. - 3.8 cm

The vestry committee is the body that makes decisions regarding the church building and the congregation. Members of the committee include the church wardens, elected members of the congregation and the rector. The minutes of vestry record discussions and decisions relating to the maintenance of the church, new buildings and additions, and matters concerning the congregation.

1.01 Minutes of Vestry, 1917 - 1931

This book also contains accounts for 1917 - 1930.

1.02 Minutes of Vestry, 1931 - 1953

1.03 Minutes of Vestry, 1954 - 1984

1.04 Minutes of Vestry, 1960 - 1977

Location: Church Records Box 18.

Series 2: Cash Book/Subscriber=s List. - 1931 - 1958, 1965 - 1996. - 3 cm.

This series includes cash books and subscriber=s list which records the income and expenditures for the congregation and the amount that each person in the congregation donated to the church during the year.

2.01 Cash Book/Subscriber=s List, 1931- 1958

2.02 Subscriber=s List, 1965 - 1996

Location: Church Records Box 18.

Series 3: Vestry Registers. - 1897 - 1952.- 7.5 cm

The vestry register records the services held at the church, the number of people in attendance, topic of the sermon, visiting clergy and other remarks.

3.01 Vestry Register, 1897 - 1921

3.02 Vestry Register, 1922 - 1952

Series 4: Visitor=s Book. - 1980 - 1996- 0.5 cm.

The visitor=s book is kept to record non- parishioners visiting the church.

4.01 Visitor=s Book, 1980 - 1996

Location: Church Records Box 18