

St. George's Church (Ireland's Eye) fonds. - 1888 - 1965. - 12 cm textual content

Administrative history

Ireland's Eye was used by seasonal fishermen throughout the nineteenth century and by 1836 had a resident population of 32 people. The first school opened in 1854. St. George's Church was built by 1888, and a congregation of over 80 people attended regular church services, which were conducted by a Lay Reader. A new Church was built in 1927. Ireland's Eye was resettled under the provincial government program of the 1960s. The Rector of the Parish of Trinity offered the farewell service and official closing of the Church on the last Sunday in August, 1965.

Source: St. George's Church (Ireland's Eye) fonds; Encyclopedia of Newfoundland and Labrador.

Custodial history

Since the resettlement of the community the records have been kept at the Rectory of the Parish of Trinity.

Scope and content

The fonds consists of Vestry Registers for 1888 - 1965; minutes of meetings of congregation for 1934 - 1965; Rector's stipend, 1937 - 1941; church wardens accounts, 1942 - 1956; cemetery accounts, 1946 - 1965; accounts of collections and offerings, 1952 - 1964; and an account book, 1956 - 1965.

There is also one ledger from St. George's Society of United Fishermen. This was donated to the Trinity Historical Society by Gerald Spurrell.

Notes

Supplied title based on provenance.

Donated by the Rector of the Parish of Trinity, Rev. G. Colbourne, July 2000.

1.01 Vestry registers, 1888 - 1965

The vestry register is a book which records each service that is held within the Church and includes the type of service that is held, the text, subject of the sermon, amount collected for the offering and other remarks.

- 1.01.001 Vestry registers, 1888 – 1919 (on shelf)
- 1.01.002 Vestry registers, 1918 – 1933
- 1.01.003 Vestry registers, 1933 – 1955
- 1.01.004 Vestry registers, 1952 – 1965

1.02 Minutes of Vestry, 1934 - 1965

The minutes of the vestry meetings includes details on issues that affect the Church and the annual congregational meetings where the election of officers of the Church take place.

- 1.02.001 Minutes of Vestry, 1934 - 1958
- 1.02.002 Minutes of Vestry, 1959 - 1962
- 1.02.003 Minutes of Vestry, 1963 - 1965

1.03 Rector's Stipend, 1937 - 1941

A record of the monthly collection that was taken for the Rector's stipend. The list records the name of the person and the amount contributed each month.

1.04 Church Wardens accounts, 1942 - 1956

A record of income and expenditures for the Church that was handled by the Church wardens.

1.05 Cemetery accounts, 1946 - 1965

Names of people who purchased plots in the cemetery and the collection of the annual fee for owning a plot. Also contains a list of materials purchased for repairing the cemetery.

1.06 Collection, 1952 - 1960

A record of the amount each person contributed to the Church.

1.07 Collection, 1961 - 1964

Details the amount that each member of the congregation contributed towards the Church by using their envelopes, as well as contributing to the Lay Readers, Lenten Self Denial and Rectory Repair Funds.

1.08 Account book, 1956 - 1965

This book records the annual income and expenditures that the Church incurred.

Location: Church Records Box 11 and shelf (1.01.001).