

Anglican Parish of the Resurrection

Our History

All Saints

The first church chapel was built circa 1830-1840 and was used as a church and a school. All Saints - the first church - was built in 1919-1920 on a piece of GLEBE land in Salmon Cove. This building was hit by lightning on March 6, 1947 and was burned to the ground.



On March 15, 1951, a meeting of the congregation was held in the C.E.A.A. Hall in Salmon Cove with Rev. Hunt of Spaniard's Bay acting a chairman. Rev. Hunt informed the congregation that the Executive of Synod ad given permission to the previous application to rebuild "All Saints ", the Church to be built according to the plan of the Botwood Church.

In June/July 1951, Rev. Canon Hugh W. Facey was appointed Rector of the parish of Brigus-Salmon Cove. Mr. Moses Wells, a Salmon Cove resident Parishioner, was appointed foreman to build All Saints Church. A building committee was appointed to oversee the work of building the new Church.

Chester Dawe & Sons was chosen to supply all the materials. Work progressed through 1951 with Moses Wells as foreman. When the exterior of the Church was almost completed, Mr. Wells took sick and Mr. Herbert Morgan of Burnt Head, Cupids, was appointed in Mr. Wells' place to finish the Church. The new Church was consecrated on. In later years, under Canon Facey, interior paneling was installed. This work was done by Mark Gosse & Sons Ltd. of Spaniard's Bay. Originally, this Church was known as All Saints of Salmon Cove but due to constant confusion between this community and the community of Salmon Cove, Carbonear, it was decided to change the community name from Salmon Cove to South River

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St. Andrew's History

The congregation of St. Andrew's Church became official on December 1, 1957 when the Church was officially consecrated by Bishop J. A. Meaden. Previous to this time, the congregation was always known and referred to as the "Juniper Stump" congregation. It has been established through various records and documents and through related history, that the congregation had its beginnings at some date between 1863 and 1877, during the incumbency of Rev. Robert H. Taylor.



The first Anglican families believed to have settled in what is now the community of Makinsons was the Noseworthy and Wells families, who apparently settled in the Turkswater area of the community. Other early settlers were the Coveyduck, Cousens (Cozins), Mugford, Barrett and Andrews families. Also, Anglican clergy were active in the area as early as 1857 and that both Baptisms and Burial Services were performed.

MARRIAGE: THOMAS COZINS - Juniper Stump - CATHERINE HAWS - Goulds
Married in School House at Salmon Cove, - 17 May 1857, by William Shannon
(Incumbent before Rev. Robert H. Taylor)

BURIAL: SUSANNAH COZINS - Juniper Stump, Aged 7 years; Buried May 25, 1867 by
Robert H. Taylor

MARRIAGE: REUBEN MUGFORD and MARY ANN TAYLOR - Juniper Stump, Married
June 5, 1867 by Robert Holland Taylor - All Saints Church, Salmon Cove

BAPTISM: RACHEAL - of Reuben and Mary Mugford, Juniper Stump, Baptized June 1,
1868 by Robert H. Taylor

MARRIAGE: WILLIAM MORGAN - North River and BELLICENT COVEYDUCK -
Juniper Stump, Married in School Chapel, Juniper Stump; November 20, 1886 by
William Weaver.

The earliest funeral recorded was May 25, 1867 and apparently was in the cemetery at Juniper Stump. The oldest tombstone found in the cemetery, formerly called Barrett's Hills:

BENJAMIN MUGFORD;

Died March 8, 1894, aged 71 years; and Wife MARY; Died April 8, 1899, aged 76 years.

It is believed, based on documents in the Church's possession that Rev. Robert H. Taylor may have applied for grants of land for both the site of the Juniper Stump Church and for an area from which to cut timber for the Church. The grant for the land on which the Church is built is dated 6 January, 1874 and the grant for the timber area, the 18 acres - "about 18 perches" is dated 1876.

The 'Juniper Stump' Church had its origins in a School Chapel. The first reference to the actual existence of the School Chapel is centered on the lectern Bible used at St. Andrew's Church until recently. The bible was originally presented by S.P.C.K. (Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge) in 1842 and was first used in the old Church at Brigus. After 20 years it was "... Presented to the School Chapel at Clarke's Beach in 1877" and "transferred to the School Chapel at Juniper Stump on Jan. 5, 1902 - W.A. Haynes, Incumbent".

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As far as can be determined, the School Chapel at Juniper Stump was used as a place of worship until 1918. The first teacher in that School Chapel is thought to have been a Miss White. The School Chapel was demolished and the present Church was built during 1917-18 during the incumbency of Rev. Frank Severn (1915-23). A small one-room school was also built on the South side of the new Church and was attached to it.

The Church used kerosene lamps until the mid 1930's when Mrs. Dorothy (Jack Coveyduck, formerly from England, undertook the expense of having electric lighting installed. This was done so that members of the congregation could practice for a Christmas concert. The electricity was extended from the then Riverside Woolen Mills.

Sometime between 1936 and 1938 - the exact date is not certain - the one-room school attached to the Church building was taken down and a larger one-room school was built across the road from the Church on the North side. This one-room structure is reported to have housed as many as sixty pupils at times. The building was dismantled during the early autumn of 1950. By that time, a new two-room school had been built and was dedicated during the early autumn of 1950 by Rev. R. O. Davies, Rural Dean, Harbour Grace; the late Canon Rusted of Carbonear and the late Rev. E. Hunt of Spaniard's Bay.

The 'Juniper Stump Church' was renovated under the guidance of the late Rev. Canon H.W. Facey. He arranged to have a white stone Baptismal Font and Altar carpeting transported from England. His son, Jack Facey, built and installed the Communion Table and Altar Rail, while the late Robert John Taylor of Salmon Cove built and donated the Pulpit.

The Brass Cross and Candle Holders for the Altar were donated by the late Samuel Bradbury and the wooden Collection Plates were carved and donated by the late Robert W. Sheppard of South River. When the exterior renovations were completed, Canon Facey arranged to have the Church consecrated by Bishop J.A. Meaden, on Advent Sunday, December 1, 1957. It was dedicated to St. Andrew, the first Apostle of Jesus. Church wardens at the time were Stanley Bussey and Jack Fisher.

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St. Augustine

St. Augustine Congregation at Burnt Head has its origins in the early 17th century. The first Anglican priest is believed to have landed in Newfoundland in c.1613 as part of the colonization of John Guy's Colony at 'Cuper's Cove' - Cupids. Cupids has been established as the site of the first headquarters of the Church in the Ancient Colony and the congregation of Burnt Head was part of this movement.



The first Church building was erected in what is now part of St. Augustine's cemetery. The building was built during the latter part of the eighteenth century under the auspices of the Society for the Promotion of the Gospel. This building was then replaced by another which was demolished, by fire, in 1910. The then new St. Augustine's Church was re-built on the site of the now existing Church. The Church was built, paid for and consecrated within a year of the start of construction. Construction started in November of 1910 and the new building was dedicated on June 18th, 1911.

The official consecration took place on September 28th, 1913. The rector at the time was Rev'd. George H. Field. The building was of frame construction built along traditional Gothic Architectural lines. It should be noted that when the Church was constructed, it was located at the centre of St. Augustine's Congregation. For 50 years St. Augustine's Church at Burnt Head stood proud but the Congregation became smaller and smaller and the building itself fell into a worsening state of repair. Then, in March of 1962, St. Augustine's Congregation rallied around the "Old Church" and re-construction began. The chancel of the old church was removed along with the roof over the tall main portion of the nave and the Clerestory. A new chancel with adjacent vestry and furnace room was built into the eastern portion of the former nave and the whole building was covered with a new roof of gable design. The old interior wooden wall paneling and the ceiling were refinished with wallboard. Coal and wood heaters were replaced by an oil furnace.

Electric lights were installed for the first time through a donation by Ms. Elizabeth (Lizzie) Rich in memory of the late William T. and Eliza Bishop. After four months of devoted work, most of which was rendered on a voluntary basis, the restoration of St. Augustine's was complete. On the Sixth Sunday after Trinity, the newly renovated Church was dedicated to the Glory of God by His Lordship, the Rt. Rev. J. A. Meaden Lord Bishop of Newfoundland.

The building has undergone some minor renovations to its exterior since 1962. The main area of renovation has been the Church tower which has been a re-occurring problem over the past 30 years. Eventually, the bell was removed from the tower and the tower itself was cut down to its present format. The new hall was added in January of 1999 and a bell tower was erected at the western end of the Church.

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St. George's Church

St. George's Church, Brigus, was built in 1876, replacing a chapel built in 1851. The cornerstone of this chapel can be found near the basement door of the present building. The first service was held in December, 1877. The building is of Gothic design and was constructed under the supervision of George C. Jerrett of England.



A pipe organ was replaced by an electric organ in 1963 and vinyl siding was installed in 1990. Except for these changes, the building is in its original design with all original furnishings. The Church is built on a hill and is visible from land and sea. It has a seating capacity of approximately 450. It serves the people of Brigus, Georgetown, Marysvale, Roaches Line, and Brigus Junction. It is one of the 4 churches which make up the parish of Brigus-South River. The stained glass window in the East wall of the Sanctuary, depicting the Crucifixion, was made by Mayer Munich & London, in 1880. This window was given in memory of Rebecca Bartlett who died May 7, 1879, aged 58 years. It is said that the window causes considerable controversy between the 'high' and 'low' Church of England Congregation when it was installed in 1880.
