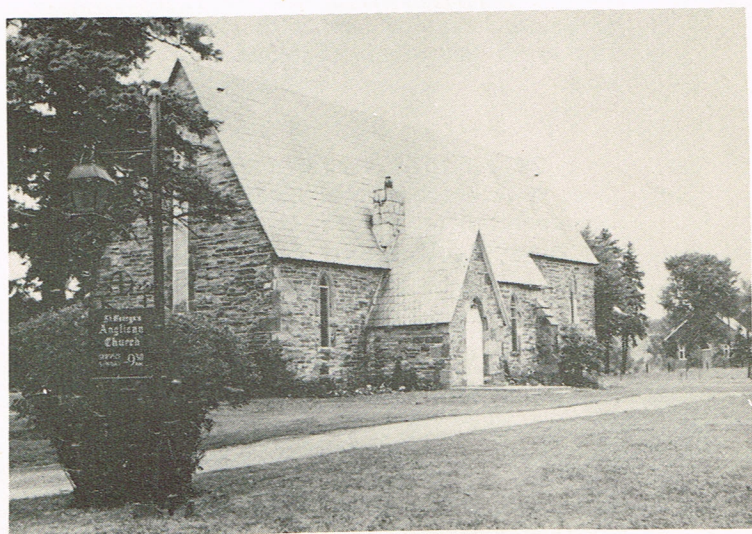


1863 ~ 1963  
100th ANNIVERSARY



St. George's Anglican Church  
FITZROY HARBOUR  
ONTARIO

O BE JOYFUL in the Lord, all  
ye lands; serve the Lord with gladness,  
and come before his presence with a  
song.

BE YE SURE that the Lord he is  
God; it is he that hath made us, and  
not we ourselves; we are his people and  
the sheep of his pasture.

O GO YOUR WAY into his gates  
with thanksgiving, and into his courts  
with praise; be thankful unto him, and  
speak good of his name.

FOR THE LORD is gracious, his  
mercy is everlasting; and his truth en-  
dureth from generation to generation.



A Message From  
The Right Rev. E. S. Reed  
M.A., D.D., D.C.L.  
Bishop of Ottawa



To the Congregation of St. George's,  
Fitzroy Harbour.

*My dear people:*

*My warmest congratulations to you on the one hundredth anniversary of your beautiful church!*

*I have watched with much interest the plans made by the Rector, Churchwardens and Centenary Committee to celebrate worthily this historic year. The holding of your Parish Mission was an event of much spiritual blessing and I know that your other observances have been a source of inspiration to you all.*

*This short history will help to remind us all of the debt we owe to the pioneers—the clergy and people, who with faith, courage and sacrifice built this House of God. We also give thanks for all who have worked to preserve it through the years.*

*May God bless you all as you continue to worship Him at St. George's and go forth to serve Him in the days ahead.*

*Faithfully yours in Christ,*

*Ernest Ottawa,*

*Bishop.*





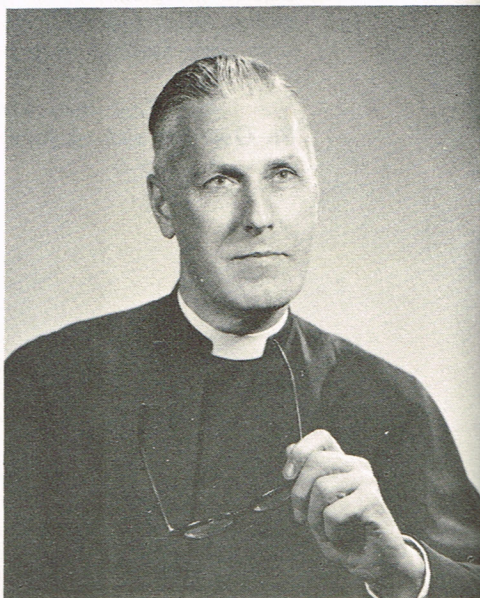
THE VENERABLE G. H. SADLER, B.A., L.S.T.  
Archdeacon of Lanark

Born October 31, 1898, on the 10th Line of Fitzroy. Educated in Fitzroy Harbour and Arn-prior. Ordained priest, St. George's, Fitzroy, June 17, 1924. Rector of Smiths Falls, since 1945. Archdeacon of Lanark, 1962.

FITZROY HARBOUR was settled in 1818 by the Shirreff family who came from Port Hope. In 1832 Mr. Charles Shirreff erected at the "Chats" a square, hewed log building for the purpose of a school house and for the holding of religious services. It was both the first church and the first school house in Fitzroy.

The building was common property for all religious denominations and was for years the only place in the township where regular public worship was held, though ministers from Protestant churches did visit and preach in homes. The Methodists were first, represented by Rev. Mr. Playfair of Perth. The first Presbyterian minister was Dr. Alexander Mann of Pakenham, and the first Anglican services in Fitzroy were conducted occasionally, prior to 1826 by Rev. Michael Harris of Perth. He served ten preaching stations outside of Perth and visited settlers as far east as Pakenham and Fitzroy. Rev. Hannibal Mulkins was the first minister to hold services with any degree of regularity.

The church society of the diocese of Toronto was established April 28, 1842 and by 1851 it consisted of twelve districts.



THE VENERABLE R. ERIC OSBORNE, B.A.  
Archdeacon of Ottawa

Born April 22, 1907 at Fitzroy Harbour. Educated in Fitzroy Harbour and Brockville. Rector of St. Matthew's, Ottawa, since 1951. Appointed Canon of Christ Church Cathedral, 1959. Archdeacon of Ottawa, 1961.



REV. R. V. ALLAN ROGERS  
Present Incumbent



one of which was Bathurst deanery. It in turn included Perth, Carleton Place, Franktown, Pakenham and Fitzroy, Bytown, Richmond township and March. In 1850 the total income from Bathurst deanery was £51, indicating the struggle and sacrifice that the building of a church entailed in those rigorous days.

In 1852 the deed of the church property was obtained from Alexander Shirreff and the synod journal for 1854 reported that "due to the energetic efforts of the church warden W. P. Taylor and his committee they expected a building at Fitzroy would soon be started".

Apparently a church was planned and actually started as early as 1857 since the synod journal for that date reports that "£1000 would be required to complete the church at Fitzroy Harbour. It was felt that this sum was beyond the means and circumstances of the mission at that time. A previous estimate of £400 had been made by an architect, a quarter of which had been raised by the mission and all of which had been spent." The total offering in 1857 was £12/14s/5d. According to the synod journal the same state existed in 1859. We are told that the walls were erected several years before a roof was added; during which time the sheep wandered in and out at will.



IRA CAVANAGH  
Synod Delegate



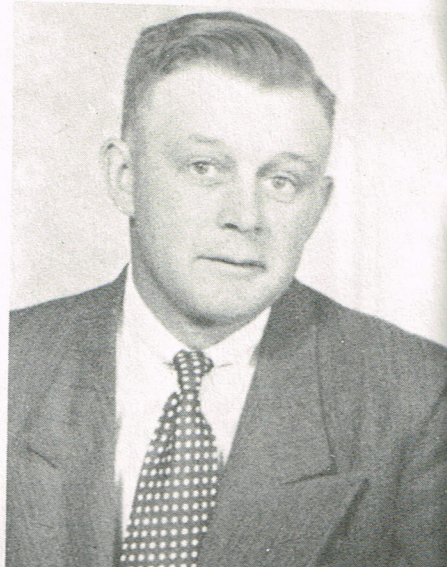


ROY WEIR  
Rector's Warden

Finally in 1863 the church was completed, and it still belonged to the mission of Pakenham and Fitzroy which covered 200 square miles and had 1600 church members, 300 communicants and three churches. There were 125 public baptisms of infants and ten marriages that year. The rector was Rev. C. P. Emery and Rev. John Travers Lewis was bishop. The delegates to the synod were W. P. Taylor, J. Baird and J. Shaw; the latter representing Pakenham. The first child baptized in the new church was Minerva Landon, mother of the Venerable Archdeacon G. H. L. Sadler. The first marriage was that of John Craig and Margaret Bradley; while the first death recorded in 1863 was Samuel Amm, an infant. The church was dedicated in 1867.

Several houses served as rectories over the years till 1952 when the present spacious, attractive building was erected.

Recently the interior of the church was renovated and re-decorated. A new oil furnace and new electric wiring was installed, the floor tiled and new carpet laid, the kneelers padded and a new dossal curtain hung. The result is an atmosphere of beauty and dignity truly befitting God's house.



ERNEST CAVANAGH  
People's Warden

### RECTORS

1844-1850	Rev H. Mulkins	1899-1902	Rev. John Osborne
1851-1852	Rev. Thos. Machin	1902-1907	Rev. E. A. Johnston
1852-1854	Rev. W. C. Clarke	1907-1914	Rev. T. H. Iveson
1854-1858	Rev. R. L. Stevenson	1914-1921	Rev. Franklin Clarke
1858-1863	Rev. J. A. Morris	1921-1925	Rev. E. W. Richards
1863-1869	Rev. C. P. Emery	1925-1934	Rev. C. C. Phillips
1870-1875	Rev. D. P. Merritt	1934-1940	Rev. W. G. Jones
1877-1879	Rev. H. E. Plees	1940-1943	Rev. R. S. V. Crossley
1881-1885	Rev. J. W. Weatherdon	1943-1951	Rev. Robert Strachan
1885-1887	Rev. G. W. Gwilym	1951-1958	Rev. W. J. Belford
1887-1893	Rev. J. F. Snowdon	1958	Rev. R. V. A. Rogers
1893-1899	Rev. Edward Pick		



### SPECIAL ANNIVERSARY EVENTS

February 10—Bishop Reed, M.A., D.D., DCL confirmed  
37 candidates.

April 17-23—Parish Mission — Canon Moore Smith

June 1—Centennial Tea — The Rectory

June 9—The Venerable Archdeacon R. E. Osborne, B.A.  
celebrant and preacher

September 22—Visit of Rural Dean C. C. Conliffe, M.A.

October 15—Special Mid-Week Service — The Venerable  
Archdeacon G. H. L. Sadler, B.A., L.S.T.

November 26—Centennial Banquet — Emmanuel Parish  
Hall, Arnprior.



**CENTENNIAL YEAR OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES**

Wardens - - - - -	Roy Weir, E. Cavanagh
W. A. President - - - -	Mrs. M. S. Tripp
Altar Guild President - - -	Mrs. E. Langford
S.S. Superintendent - - - -	Mrs. L. Stewart
A.V.P.A. President - - - -	Mary Poole
Treasurer - - - - -	Herman Dolan
Parish Treasurer - - - - -	Howard Carry
Parish Secretary - - - - -	Helen Harris

**FINANCE COMMITTEE**

The Wardens,  
Herman Dolan  
Earl Lathem  
Howard Carry  
Hiram Wilson  
Kenneth Owens

**HISTORICAL COMMITTEE**

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Cavanagh  
Mr. and Mrs. Reg Owens  
Mr. and Mrs.  
Clifford Campbell  
Mrs. Roy Weir  
Mr. Robert Tripp

**SOCIAL COMMITTEE**

Mrs. Gordon Owens  
Mrs. Roy Weir  
Mrs. Ernie Cavanagh  
Mrs. Syd Trudeau  
Mrs. Eddie Langford  
The President of the Guild

**MISSIONARY COMMITTEE**

Mrs. Mervyn Tripp  
Mrs. W. John Dolan  
Mrs. Harvey Delahunt  
Mr. Roy Weir  
Mr. George Poole  
Mr. Eddie Poole

**SPECIAL EVENTS**

Mrs. Thomas Trudeau  
Mrs. Gordon Owens  
Mrs. Lorne Stewart  
Mrs. Harold Owens  
Mr. Archie Badham  
Mr. Mervyn Tripp

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