

Anglican Church Women (A.C.W.), St. Matthew's (Trouty) fonds. -1965 -2004. - 16 cm textual records.

Administrative history

The Church of England Women's Association (C.E.W.A.) was founded in 1876 at Heart's Content by the Rev. George Gardiner. The C.E.W.A. endeavoured to promote and extend Christian unity and fellowship at home and overseas by attending to the spiritual, educational and physical needs of its followers.

The C.E.W.A. also assisted in missionary enterprises, orphanages, senior citizen's homes, medical clinics and the erection of churches and schools in the Province.

St. Matthew's branch of the C. E. W. A. was founded on December 7, 1932 [before that there existed a 'sewing circle'] when a delegation of sisters from St. John the Evangelist C. E. W. A. from New Bonaventure came along to assist the Spiritual Director, the late Rev. (later Canon) Harvey Torrance in setting up the new Association.

In 1967 the C.E.W.A. became the Anglican Women's Association (A.W.A.) with approximately 200 branches and 7000 members in the Province. In 1969 the A.W.A., the Women's Association (W.A.) Parish Guilds and Alter Guilds merged to become the Anglican Church Women's Association (A.C.W.A.). After the restructuring of the Anglican Church in Newfoundland in 1976 the word "association" was dropped by the three new Dioceses. The A.C.W., corresponding to the Diocesan boundaries of the Anglican Church in Newfoundland, is divided into three sectors.

St. Matthew's Branch of the A. C. W. closed in January of 2003 because of a lack of members

Source: ACW, St. Matthew's fonds; The Encyclopaedia of Newfoundland and Labrador

Custodial history

Upon the closure of the ACW at Trouty the records were given to the Archives of the Trinity Historical Society for safe keeping.

Scope and Content

The fonds consists of minutes and attendance records of the ACWA - ACW meetings 1969 - 2004; accounts 1968 - 2004; listings of goods given out for sales 1968 - 2003; receipt books 1965 - 2003; roll call 1973 - 2003.; correspondence; certificates; annual reports; miscellaneous. The ACW flag.

Notes

Supplied title based on provenance

Donated by a minute of the last meeting of St. Matthew's, Trouty, ACW 2004.

1.01.01 Minutes, 1969-1975 (ACWA)

- 1.01.02 Minutes 1975 (ACWA)
- 1.01.03 Minutes 1976-1980 (ACWA)
- 1.01.04 Minutes 1980-1985
- 1.01.05 Minutes 1985-1991
- 1.01.06 Minutes 1991-1992
- 1.01.07 Minutes 1992- 2002
- 1.01.08 Minutes 2002- Jan. 2004 (loose pages)

- 1.02.01 Receipt Book 1965-1978
- 1.02.02 Receipt Book 1985-2003 (some pages are loose)
- 1.02.03 Treasurer's Accounts 1968
- 1.02.04 Treasurer's Book 1970-1972
- 1.02.05 Treasurer's Book 1983-2004

- 1.03.01 Roll Call Book 1973-1978
- 1.03.02 Roll Call Book 1979-1994
- 1.03.03 Roll Call Book 1995- 2003

- 1.04.01 Goods given out for sales 1968 - 1970
- 1.04.02 Goods given out for sales 1975 - 1987
- 1.04.03 Goods given out for sales 1987 - 2003

- 1.05 Correspondence, receipts, certificates, and form letters

- 1.06 District Council, Deanery, Diocesan Newsletters

- 1.07 Miscellaneous

- 1.08 Flag (stored with our flag collection on the third floor of the Court House.)

Location : Church Records Boxes 17 & 17a