

Finding Aid

**“N. B. Parish Registers:
Grand Falls de l’Assomption 1868-1920”
[microfilm]**

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Introduction

This microfilm provides information of records on baptism, marriages, and burials in the parish of Grand Falls Assumption/Assomption de Grand-Sault 1868 - 1920.

Access

There are no restrictions on access to this collection.

Historical Note¹

In 1854, Grand Falls is a mission served by Abbot Michael Meloy from the Saint-Bruno parish of Van Buren, Maine. At that time, the first chapel is built and the first mass is celebrated on October 22, 1854.

"On December 8, 1868, on the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, Bishop Rogers of Chatham, officially erected the parish of Grand Falls and dedicated it to the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. On this same date Rev. J. J. O'Leary was appointed to be the first pastor." The organization of the parish and the construction of the first church and rectory is credited to Father O'Leary. Bishop Rogers blessed the corner stone on August 15, 1882 and in 1885 the church was opened for worship. On Monday, November 5, 1906, the church was destroyed by fire.

"The parishioners together with Father Henry Joyner set about building a new church. The corner stone of this church was blessed by Bishop Rogers on June 23, 1907. The church was opened in 1909 and continues to this day to serve the many members of the Assumption parish."

¹All information in the Historical Note were translated and or taken from Revue de la Société historique du Madawaska "Livre souvenir" par/by Jacques G. Albert.