

Finding Aid

**“N. B. Parish Registers:
Saint-Léonard/Saint-Antoine de Padue 1854 - 1921”
[microfilm]**

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Introduction

This microfilm provides information of records on baptisms, marriages, and burials in the parish of Saint-Léonard/Saint-Antoine de Padoue 1854 - 1921.

Access

There are no restrictions on access to this collection.

Historical Note¹

On September 27, 1915, Abbot Antoine Comeau, priest of Saint-Léonard-Parent, creates a new mission that becomes the city of Saint-Léonard in 1920. The city is not independent religiously. It's only on August 10, 1924 that Saint-Léonard-Ville is officially considered a parish named Saint-Antoine-de-Padoue de Saint-Léonard-Ville. The founder, Abbot Antoine Comeau is their first priest. On August 2, 1947, Monsignor Marie-Antoine Roy declares that from now on Saint-Léonard-Ville would have Saint-Léonard-de-Port-Maurice as patron saint and Saint-Léonard-Parent would have Saint-Antoine-de-Padoue as patron saint.

In 1954, the construction of a new church is started with father Damase Thibodeau. Father J.-Aurèle Plourde will take over the completion of the church and on May 30, 1956 this new church was formally blessed and the first mass celebrated. Unfortunately, that temple of God was destroyed by fire on May 30, 1964, exactly 10 years after the start of its construction. The church is then rebuilt and the consecration is on June 19, 1965.

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.