



The Episcopal Church of St. John the Baptist

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Historical Document Handover

On the 140th anniversary of its consecration, The Episcopal Church of St. John the Baptist, Milton, will present its consecration document to the Delaware Public Archives on Monday, June 5.

Although the parish started out at a different location outside of Milton in 1728, the first bishop of The Diocese of Delaware, The Rt. Rev. Dr. Alfred Lee, consecrated the second church and created the document in 1877. The parish has displayed the artifact at the church for many years, but the vestry decided to opt for professionally managed archiving with the State of Delaware. It will always be available for viewing at the Archives, and a high-resolution replica was created for display at the church.

The Rev. Tom White, who with vestry members will present the item to State Archivist Stephen Marz, said, "We greatly value the long and rich history we have at St. John the Baptist Episcopal. Interestingly, our purpose in 2017 is the same as it was in 1877: to glorify God in our worship and share God's redeeming love with everyone we can, however we can."

The public is invited to witness the handover of the document at 10:00 a.m. on June 5 at the Delaware Public Archives, 121 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., North, Dover, Delaware 19901. A history of The Episcopal Church of St. John the Baptist may be found on the parish website at www.saintjohnsmilton.org.

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