

STORIES FROM THE RICH PAST OF OUR PARISH

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The First Service Broadcast from St. John's The Archbishop of York

On Sunday, September 4th, 1949 the Right Honourable and Most Reverend C.F. Garbett D.D., Archbishop of York was the Preacher at St. John's Church. The Church was literally crowded, tickets being given to various clergy and laity of the Deanery.

The Rector, the Rev. Ralph G. Fowlow was assisted by various Priests of the Church. The Scripture Lesson was read by the Rev. H.J. Knickle, a former Lunenburg boy, now Rector of Grace Church, Plainfield, New Jersey. Prayers for the King & etc. were said by the Rev. George F. Arnold, Rector of Mahone Bay, and Rural Dean.

The music was truly beautiful and the whole service one that will never be forgotten. The closing prayer and benediction was by the Most Rev. G.F. Kingston, Archbishop of Nova Scotia and Primate of all Canada. The service was broadcast by C.K.B.W. of Bridgewater. This was the first known broadcast from St. John's.

Taken from notes by the late Cyril Read

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