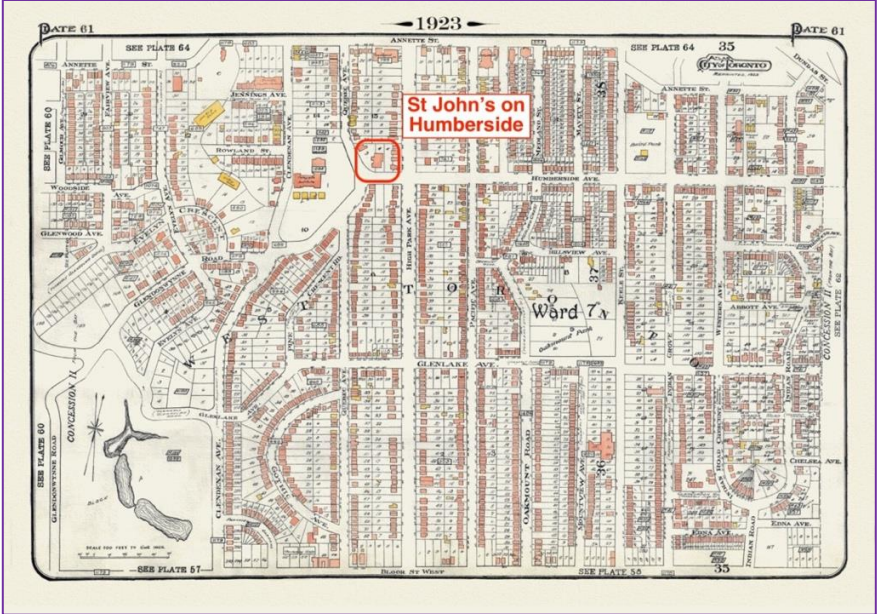


WHY WE ARE WHERE WE ARE



The history of St. John's, like the Junction area, has been shaped by its development as a transportation hub, first as a confluence of trails for the Indigenous community



St. John's 2nd church behind sign, Dundas & St. John's Rd., 1923

In 1881, St. John's parish began on a small property where Dundas St. met Louisa (later St. John's Rd) amidst a network of railway and streetcar tracks and industries

After WWI, it was clear that St. John's initial life on Dundas St. had reached its limit as population growth was shifting south. The street railway now extended to High Park, and West Toronto Junction and Bloor West Village became new Toronto suburbs

Then in 1923, St. John's built its 3rd church on the increasingly busy Humberside Ave., not long after the TTC launched its first bus route, the #1 "Humberside / Annette" which ran from Humberside and Dundas to High Park Ave, past the church site and north to Annette and west to Runnymede

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Waiting for the #1 bus, Humberside & Dundas St., 1923

Between 1921 and 1931, when St. John's celebrated its 50th, Toronto's population had grown from 522,000 to 627,000, with much of that growth based in west Toronto

St. John's had clearly evolved from a suburban congregation into a busy city church

WEST TORONTO CHURCH CELEBRATES GOLDEN JUBILEE

St. John's Anglican Church, Humberside and Quebec Avenues, on Sunday commences a season of rejoicing over fifty years of spiritual growth and privilege. The observance will continue through the month of November, with special preachers each Sunday. On Friday, Nov. 20, the anniversary day, there is to be a congregational banquet, with Canon H. P. D. Woodcock as the speaker. At the left is the imposing church opened in November, 1923, where the anniversary services will be held, and present and former members warmly welcomed. In the tower is a carillon of ten bells to call the people to worship. Special preachers at the coming jubilee services are the Lord Bishop of Toronto, Rev. Canon H. J. Cody, Rev. Dr. R. B. McElheran, Rev. Prof. T. W. Isherwood, Rev. Dr. R. A. Elitz, Canon S. Gould, Rev. Dr. Dyson Hague, Ven. Archdeacon A. L. Fleming, and Captain A. Casey of the Church Army. At the right is Rev. R. MacNamera, rector of St. John's since September, 1917.

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