At the Annual Meeting on January 19, 1995, the St. John's Perpetual Care Fund was formally established with the following rules to govern it:

- 1. The Fund will be administered by St. John's Church Council.
- 2. All fund contributions shall be invested in a trust account called the St. John's Perpetual Care Fund Account. The principal shall remain intact.
- 3. The Interest only shall be deposited annually to the Cemetery Fund of St. John's General Church Account and used for the maintenance and beautification of the cemetery.
- 4. The money presently invested in the cemetery account will be deposited to the St. John's Perpetual Care Fund Account.
- 5. When a donation is made to the Perpetual Care Fund, the name of the donor and the person in whose memory it is donated (when applicable) will be published in the Sunday bulletin. Regular members will be receipted on their official church receipts for Income Tax purposes at the beginning of the year. Donors from outside the Parish will be receipted as soon as possible after the donation is made.

Donations may be made to the St. John's Perpetual Care Fund at any time. If the donation is in memory of a particular person, please specific this when the donation is made. When donations are suggested at the time of the funeral, parishioners are encouraged to request donations be made to St. John's Perpetual Care Fund. You are also encouraged to consider making a request to the St. John's Perpetual Care Fund in your Will.

### **Cemetery Location**

St. John's Church 62 South Drive St. Eleanor's PEI

#### **Church Office**

74 Summer Street Summerside, PEI C1N 3H9

### **Telephone**

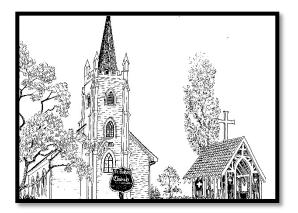
Church Office 902-888-2234

The Chairperson of the Cemetery Committee handles all enquiries maintains cemetery records and conducts general business matters for the Cemetery. The telephone number of the Chairperson is available at the Church Office.

Official Burial Records are kept at the Church Office. Questions about dates of burials and burial certificates should be directed to the Church Office.

This Brochure is provided for your information. Please keep it for future reference. Further information may be obtained from the Cemetery Committee.

# ST. JOHN'S



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CEMETERY POLICY
Updated 2023

### **Cemetery Regulations**

- 1. Plots may be reserved only when there is a reasonable cause to believe they will actually be used.
- 2. All reserved plots must be paid for at the time of reservation.
- 3. At the time of reservation, a plot number will be assigned and noted on the Cemetery Plan.
- 4. The cost of plots is five-hundred (\$500) per grave, whether it is a casket or cremation burial. For regularly contributing members of St. John's or St. Mary's churches, the cost of a plot or grave is \$200 with a limit of two plots per family, unless authorized by the Wardens or Church Council. The cost of interring cremated remains on an existing family grave is \$200. All sales to non-contributing members must be approved by Wardens or Church Council before sale of plot can be finalized.
- 5. A Priest or Deacon must be present for any committals taking place in the Cemetery.
- 6. In addition to the purchase price of a plot there is a charge of **\$200** for the opening and closing of the grave.
- 7. Any persons doing work in the Cemetery, such as installing monuments, lettering, cleaning, etc. must have permission from the Cemetery Committee before work is started. These persons will be responsible for any damage to grounds, other monuments, etc. while the work is being carried out.
- 8. Permission will not be granted for the erection of Monuments on a grave until after the plot fee has been paid.
- 9. The northwest corner of the last two parcels of land measuring approximately 132' x 110' is not to be used for burying at this time.

10. The Rector, Church Wardens and Church Council shall have the authority to refuse installation of any Monument or markers to be placed in the Cemetery

#### **Headstones & Markers**

We highly recommend a suitable Headstone or marker for all Graves, and have the following policy with regards to them;

- 1. The Cemetery Committee must be consulted before placing any Headstone or marker of any kind.
- 2. There shall be only one upright stone or marker per grave. No shrubs or trees may be planted on grave.
- 3. All Headstones must have a gravel foundation and should be installed by a reputable Dealer.
- 4. Homemade markers or crosses must be made in a respectable fashion. Their placement must be checked with the Cemetery Committee before installation. Markers that have fallen into poor condition will be removed when neglect is evident and serious.
- 5. All other articles which may impede the general maintenance of the Cemetery, detract from the aesthetic atmosphere, or that may invite vandalism i.e. lights, statues, plastic flowers etc. are prohibited. Additionally, we encourage families to make donations to the church in the form of memorial flowers or bulletins in lieu of cemetery or graveside decorations. Our aim is to become environmentally friendly plastic ornaments are not allowed.
- 6. We do permit the placement of a compostable planter box for fresh flowers in front of the gravestone.



The box should be in width no wider than the stone, no higher than 6" and protrude no more than 10" from the face of the stone. The box should be made of compostable material.

### **Perpetual Care**

Perpetual Care refers to the regular long-term maintenance and up-keep of the Cemetery and Plots. This is the responsibility of the Cemetery Committee. However, your suggestions for beautifying the grounds and for maintaining them are welcome.

Perpetual Care does not include the repair and up-keep of monuments. This is the responsibility of the Owners; however, the cemetery Committee will endeavor to repair old monuments (when funds are available). The installation of monuments is the responsibility of the owner.

To facilitate good maintenance, to protect Headstones and machinery necessary for this task, St. John's church has adopted the following policy:

- 1. If flowers are placed on Graves, they must be close to and in front of Headstones.
- 2. Fences around Graves and corner Markers of any type are not permitted.

## **Perpetual Care Fund**

Over the years, people have given money for the care of their Graves and those of loved ones. Out of respect for our Ancestors and as a lasting memorial to them, St. John's Church, through the Cemetery Committee, provides for the maintenance and beautification of the cemetery.