## Our "Parish History" is now on our Website

Check it out: <u>stmichaelscv.org</u>

(select the Menu tab on our homepage to access)

After two years of delving into files, searching through thousands of old photos, reading letters written by some of the early families of the old stone church in Hardy, talking to parishioners, asking questions to the diocese, and comparing notes in 3 prior history books, we are excited to share our "Parish History" with you. It's finally all in <u>one</u> place, and it's available online for all to access!

This is a work in progress and all input is most welcome. Feel free to let the Office know if you have something that needs to be added or omitted (and that goes for the entire website). We plan to continue adding major events onto this page as time moves forward.

We are also open to any photographs you may wish to share. But please, be mindful that this is <u>not</u> a social media page, and this is <u>not</u> Facebook or Instagram. This is "parish" history, not the history of individuals, birthdays, anniversaries, etc. It's about the building and structural changes and additions to it over the years; it's about parish growth, parish life, and major "parish" events. Group photos of events are most welcomed and encouraged, but not photos of individuals. (We especially would like any group photos from prior 1<sup>st</sup> Communions, Confirmations, Christmas parties and other events which we didn't find available when putting this together.) The only persons who are focused on solely are our pastors and deacons. Persons' names are mentioned here and there, but only because we felt it was important to mention them, especially if they donated an item to the parish.

If you haven't had the chance, be sure to check out the other categories on our home page's menu. It's been a lot of work in our spare time; we hope you enjoy a walk down memory lane!