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St. John's Episcopal Church  
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### **Historical/Biographical Notes**

In Worcester, Mass, on the evening of March 1, 1883, at the invitation of the Rector of All Saints' Parish, Reverend William Reed Huntington, D.D., seventeen interested people met at the rectory to consider starting an Episcopal Mission at or near Lincoln Square. This resulted in a Sunday School being opened March 11 in a small fan-shaped, second story room at the corner of Lincoln Square and Main Street, recently vacated by the Lincoln Square Baptist Church. St. John's was named after one of the four Evangelists. The first regular church service took place on April 8, 1883. The laying of the cornerstone for the new building on Holden Street was July 5, 1884.

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Series 1, Newsletters

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1	1	2009.07.1.1-.30	Newsletter (Christmas 1884 – Nov 1888)
1	2	2009.07.1.31-.59	Newsletter (Dec 1888 – Easter 1892)
1			Photocopies of originals
2		2009.07.1.60	St. John's Bulletin (1923 – 1946)
2		2009.07.1.61	St. John's Bulletin (1946 – 1952)
2	3	2009.07.1.62	St. John's Bulletin (Dec. 1952 – Dec 1954)
2	4	2009.07.1.63	St. John's Bulletin (Jan 1955 – Dec 1957)
2	5	2009.07.1.64	St. John's Bulletin (Jan 1958 – Dec 1960)
3	6	2009.07.1.65	St. John's Bulletin (Jan 1961-Dec 1965)
3	7	2009.07.1.66	St. John's Bulletin (Jan 1966-Dec 1968)
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3	9	2009.07.1.68	St. John's Bulletin (Jan 1971-Dec 1972)
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3	12	2009.07.1.71	St. John's Bulletin (Jan 1977-Dec 1979)
4	13	2009.07.1.72	St. John's Bulletin (Jan 1980-Dec 1981)
4	14	2009.07.1.73	St. John's Bulletin (Jan 1982-Dec 1983)
4	15	2009.07.1.74	St. John's Bulletin (Jan 1986-Dec 1986)
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5	18	2009.07.2.2	Annual Reports (1946-1951)
5	19	2009.07.2.3	Annual Reports (1952-1962)



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Series 3, Church History

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5		2009.07.3.2	St. John's Parish History (Chronology 1883-1984)
6	20	2009.07.3.3	Fiftieth Anniversary (November 13, 1934)
6	21	2009.07.3.4	Seventy-Fifth Anniversary (October 1959)
6	22	2009.07.3.5	Ninety-Fifth Anniversary (1979)
6	22	2009.07.3.6	One Hundredth Anniversary (1984)
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Series 4, Building Information

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6	25	2009.07.4.2	Deed (April 24 1884)
6	25	2009.07.4.3 - .4	Incorporation (1958)
6	26	2009.07.4.5	Building Committee Minutes (June 1987 Dec 1987)
6	27	2009.07.4.6	Building Committee Minutes (1988)
6	28	2009.07.4.7	Building Committee Minutes (1989)

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Series 5, Vestry Records

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8		2009.07.5.5	Vestry Records (Jan 1954-June 1964)
8		2009.07.5.6	Vestry Records (Sept 1964-Dec 1969)
9		2009.07.5.7	Vestry Records (Jan 1970-Jan 1974)
9		2009.07.5.8	Vestry Records (Jan 1974-Jan 1982)
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10		2009.07.5.10	Vestry Service Records (1884-1934)
10		2009.07.5.11	Vestry Service Records (1884-1934)
		2009.07.5.12	Vestry Minutes (1884 – April 1906)

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Series 6, Photographs

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11		2009.07.6.2	St. John's Church – The John H. Parke Years (1946 – 1952)
11		2009.07.6.3	St. John's Church – The Edgar R. Walker Years (1952 – 1963)
11		2009.07.6.4	St. John's Church – The Richard A. Hennigar Years (1964 – 1983)
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12	29	2009.07.6.6	Digital Scans of photo albums
12	30	2009.07.6.7	100 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary photographs and programs
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13		2009.07.7.3	Woman's Guild Minutes (January 1932 – January 1940)
13		2009.07.7.4	Woman's Guild Minutes (January 1940 – November 1952)
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13		2009.07.8.2	Altar Guild Records (January 1918 – January 1947)
14		2009.07.8.3	Altar Guild Records (January 1947 – November 1986)
14		2009.07.8.4	Altar Guild Records (1982 – 1993)
14		2009.07.8.5	Altar Guild Records (1994 – 2000)
14		2009.07.8.6	Altar Guild Records

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Series 9, Silver Cross League

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14	32	2009.07.10.3	Parish Directory (1999)
14	32	2009.07.10.4	Parish Directory (2006 – 2007)
15		2009.07.10.5	Parish Register (1884 – 1886)
15		2009.07.10.6	Parish Register (1886 – 1889)
15		2009.07.10.7	Parish Register (1889 – 1896)
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15		2009.07.10.10	Service Record Book
16		2009.07.10.11	Choir Register (1928 – 1951)



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16	33	2009.07.11.3	Treasurer Report (1904)
16	33	2009.07.11.4	Treasurer Report (1905)
16	33	2009.07.11.5	Treasurer Report (1906)
16	33	2009.07.11.6	Treasurer Report (1907)
16	33	2009.07.11.7	Treasurer Report (1908)
16	33	2009.07.11.8	Treasurer Report (1909)
16	33	2009.07.11.9	Treasurer Report (1910)
16	34	2009.07.11.10	Treasurer Report (1911)
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16	34	2009.07.11.12	Treasurer Report (1913)
16	34	2009.07.11.13	Treasurer Report (1914)
16	34	2009.07.11.14	Treasurer Report (1915)
16	34	2009.07.11.15	Treasurer Report (1916)
16	34	2009.07.11.16	Treasurer Report (1917)
16	34	2009.07.11.17	Treasurer Report (1918)
16	34	2009.07.11.18	Treasurer Report (1919)
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16	35	2009.07.11.23	Treasurer Report (1924)
16	35	2009.07.11.24	Treasurer Report (1925)
16	35	2009.07.11.25	Treasurer Report (1926)
16	35	2009.07.11.26	Treasurer Report (1927)
16	35	2009.07.11.27	Treasurer Report (1928)
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16	35	2009.07.11.29	Treasurer Report (1930)
16	36	2009.07.11.30	Treasurer Report (1931)
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16	36	2009.07.11.32	Treasurer Report (1933)
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16	36	2009.07.11.35	Treasurer Report (1936)
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16	37	2009.07.12.2	Memory Book – 1946
16	37	2009.07.12.3	Program – Cornerstone (1884)
16	37	2009.07.12.4	List of articles removed from cornerstone in 1961.
17		2009.07.12.5	Woman's Guild Scrapbook
17		2009.07.12.6	Plaque – October 14, 1907
17	38	2009.07.12.7	100 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Program (1984)
17	38	2009.07.12.8	Rev. Walton S. Danker (1907 -1918)
17	38	2009.07.12.9	Rev. Eliot White (1897 – 1907)
17	38	2009.07.12.10	Rev. Francis G. Burgess (1884-1897)
17	38	2009.07.12.11	St. John's Choir (1900)
17	38	2009.07.12.12	First Senior and Junior Wardens
17		2009.07.12.13-14	Roll of Honor
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