



STEEPED IN A RICH HISTORY

... the oldest grave dates back to 1832 and the Cemetery holds many of the founding leaders of the Mimico and south Etobicoke area.



The Memorial Cemetery Garden was born of the Christ Church Mimico parish's desire to commemorate the illustrious history of our church and to restore the churchyard to a place of beauty and serenity.



Garden benches line the meandering stone paths and cedar pergola.

As the garden matures, century old trees will blend with the extensive plantings of new trees, shrubs, perennials and carpeting groundcovers.



..UNIQUE URBAN SETTING

Nestled in the southwestern corner of Toronto, the Memorial Garden Cemetery is located in the small historical community of Mimico. Public transit is found just outside the front gates, and we are next to the Mimico GO station.



With 150 graves, and space for 250 more, the new garden also includes 2 distinctive marble columbaria to complement a variety of final resting place needs.



CHRIST CHURCH MIMICO MEMORIAL GARDEN

A BRIEF HISTORY

Welcome to Christ Church Mimico Memorial Garden and Cemetery.

This lovely garden was developed and constructed on the site of the 8th oldest Anglican Church established in Ontario (1827).

Church services were likely held as early as 1823 by Squire Gamble for the rowdy lumbermen who had no work on Sunday.

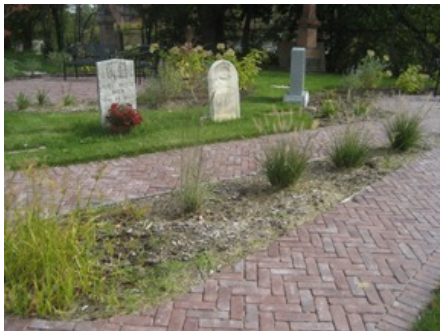
The land was donated by Squire Gamble and the first church was built in 1834.

Early pioneer families recorded in Church archives include Gamble, Fisher, Giles, Goldthorpe, Van Every, Murray, Noble and others.

All are buried here, as well as other prominent families including Horner, Arlidge and Greey.

In 2006 two disastrous fires destroyed the 3rd church built on this site and the decision was made to develop a garden here.

Today the Memorial Garden provides a unique urban cemetery for people who love this community and a peaceful garden for restful contemplation.



*"Walking through cemeteries,
whether neatly maintained,
or old and forgotten,
has always been thought provoking for us.
We think of the families that lay beneath,
some being our ancestors,
some are not.*

*But either way, these were the folks that
paved the way for our existence.*

*We owe them our acknowledgement,
we owe them more than that.*

For many, we owe them our lives.

*Next time you drive by a cemetery,
while you are hurriedly on your way...
stop and take a minute to think about
those who came before us.*

*They had families too, dreams of their future,
for their children, of generations to come.*

We are the reality of those dreams.

We owe it to them, to remember them."

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in the historic churchyard
of Christ Church Mimico

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