



## St. Francis Xavier Cemetery History

- 1868 - The Diocese purchased Bruce/Victoria Streets Cemetery and used it until the 1940s
- 1861 - Bodies are removed from the Lochiel St Cemetery to permit the building of the first Catholic School
- 1906 - Land is purchased for the present St. Francis Xavier Cemetery
- 1908 - The first Cemetery Vault is built
- 1909 - More land is purchased for the cemetery
- 1920 - Transfer of bodies from Bruce/Victoria St Cemetery to present Cemetery begins and continues into the 1940s
- 1927 - St. Francis Xavier Cemetery is consecrated
- 1953 - More land is purchased for the Cemetery, totaling 27.23 acres
- 1989 - A back-hoe was purchased, making 1989 the last year a grave was dug by hand

St. Francis Xavier Cemetery is now 44.3 acres.