

Halton Hills is rich in architectural history

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keeper at the firm Sutcliffe and Webster which is now the village store, at 523 Main St. in Glen Williams. Eaton lived with his sister on a nearby farm before he moved to Toronto and opened the first department store in 1883. The property where St. Joseph's Church on Main St. sits was sold by Glen Williams' founder Benajah Williams to the Episcopal Methodist congregation which built a wood frame church. The building was bricked in

1903 and later a two-storey addition was added.

One of the first buildings in the Glen to be designated a historic site was the original Williams saw mill, at 515 Main St. The mill is now home to creative arts studios. Beaumont Mill, at 566 Main St. was built in 1878 by Sam Beaumont to replace the original Beaumont Knitting Mill that was destroyed by fire.

Acton, originally called Danville, was settled in 1825

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Above: St. Alban's Church, located at 19 St. Alban's Dr. in Acton, was built in 1872 and the Parish Hall was built in 1959. The Luxton Memorial Hall, which was built almost entirely by volunteers, was named after the rector who was in residence around 1950. *File photo*



Left and right: The historic mill buildings which now house the Williams Mill Visual Arts Centre have a long and distinguished past. The main building was erected sometime in the 1850s and in the following years has been home to a flour mill, power plant, apple processing plant and now a renowned artisans' studio. *File photos*



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