

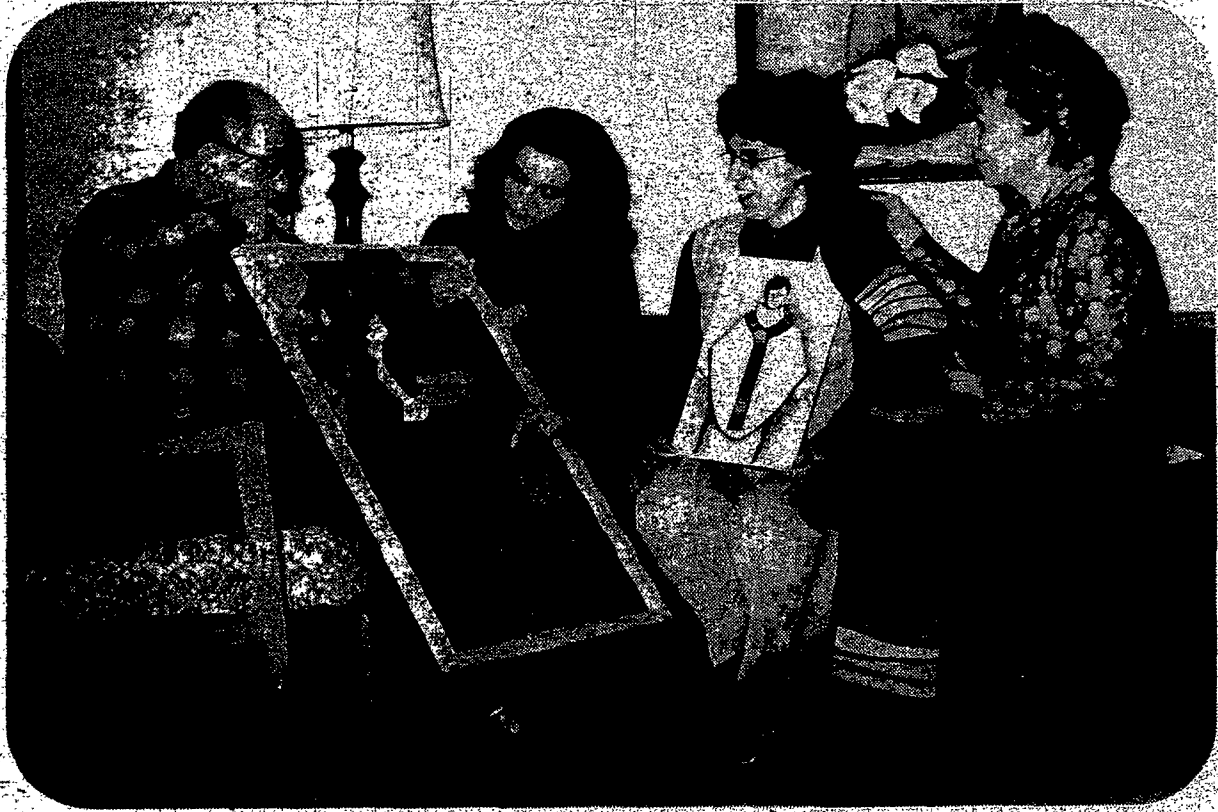
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Frank Woidzik, left, demonstrates one of the looms he built to Joett Knott, while Dortha Watts and Hilda Stebbins compare partially completed stole with Patrick Saxe's original design.

Their Labor Sets Stage For Elmira Chrism Mass

Elmira — A labor of love by more than 30 members of the Chemung-Schuyler Region will result in the vestments and altar accessories used during the Chrism Mass Tuesday, April 13, at St. Peter and Paul Church here.

The weavers, representatives of many parishes in the region, are busy at work on the specially built looms. Eight of them were constructed by Frank Woidzik, a former repairer of silk looms. The design, a stained glass effect, on the articles which include 29 stoles, 3 chasubles, and altar cover and a banner is by an Elmira Heights high school art teacher, Patrick Saxe.

A bright array of colors, red,

orange, yellow, blue, purple and green, are beautifully set into the pattern of each item. One of the tasks the Chrism Mass committee willingly accepted was this one which has taken hundreds of hours to accomplish. The looms are in the homes of the volunteers who meet regularly to complete their assignment.

While the cloth develops, other committees are attending to the many arrangements required to prepare for the arrival of diocesan representatives from the 10 regions who will be joining with Bishop Joseph L. Hogan and the other concelebrants in the traditional Holy Week Chrism Liturgy.

A videotape presentation has been prepared in the audio-visual center at St. Joseph's Hospital for use throughout the diocese. Father Robert Kennedy, diocesan coordinator for the Chrism Mass, explains the tradition and history of the chrism ritual. The film may be used by teachers, parish council liturgy committees and others interested in preparing and learning for the Chrism Mass. The cassettes are available through the office of regional coordinator, in care of Sister Mary Walter Hickey, at Notre Dame High School, Elmira.

Fr. Dailey Resigning Pastorate

Watkins Glen — Father Joseph W. Dailey has told his people here and in Odessa that he is resigning his double pastorate because of ill health. Less arduous work will be found for him, the Pastoral Office said.

Father Dailey, onetime vice-chancellor of the diocese and first vicar for pastoral planning, has been here since June 1973, as pastor of St. Mary of the Lake and of St. Benedict, Odessa. He had been director of Holy Sepulchre Cemetery for the previous two years.

Educated for the priesthood in St. Andrew's and St. Bernard's seminaries, Father Dailey was ordained June 12, 1949, and assigned to St. Patrick's, Corning, then to St. Cecilia's, Elmira. He has assisted also at St. Charles, Greece, and St. Ambrose, Rochester, and was appointed co-pastor of Our Lady of Victory, Rochester, in 1968, while he was vicar for pastoral planning, a position established in 1967 by Bishop Fulton J. Sheen. He was pastor of Holy Spirit, Penfield, from December 1969 until June 1971.

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Father Statt Named Rector At Becket Hall

Father Thomas R. Statt, chaplain at the State University College at Geneseo for the past 12 years, will become rector of Becket Hall in June.

He will succeed Father John J. Hempel in what Bishop Joseph L. Hogan describes as "this key position in our diocesan ministry."

Father Hempel, who was rector for nearly five years, recently was appointed chaplain at St. Ann's Home.

Becket Hall houses candidates for the priesthood during their student days at St. John Fisher College. Currently, there are 45 residents preparing for the seminary, 36 of them for this diocese.

Father Statt said his Geneseo years had been "exceedingly fruitful and rewarding," but that he was looking forward now to "helping young men grapple with the demands of God's call to them to be his priests in today's complex world situation."

Assigned to Geneseo in June 1964, as the first full-time Catholic chaplain on campus, Father Statt was instrumental in establishing the privately funded Interfaith Center that has become the locus of the Newman parish.

Bishop Hogan noted in his appointment letter that Father Statt's college experience should provide "fresh vision" at Becket Hall.

According to the chaplain, nearly half of the students at Geneseo are Catholics, and "a good portion are very involved."

"There is a renewed interest in prayer," he said. "Problems with the organized institution — yes. But there is a very Christian atmosphere, and this is more and more true on campuses, nationwide."

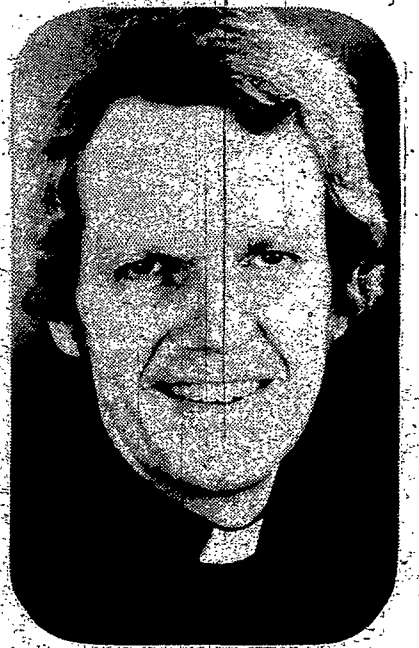
Father Peter Clifford To Be Ordained

Ordination rites with the theme of "Glorify the Lord with me, let us together extol His Name," (a passage from Psalm 34) will be celebrated tomorrow evening, March 25, at Holy Ghost Church, when Deacon Peter C. Clifford is raised to the priesthood.

Bishop Joseph L. Hogan will be principal celebrant at the 7:30 p.m. liturgy for the son of Thomas and Marian Clifford of Auburn.

The ordinand will celebrate a Mass of Thanksgiving at his home parish, St. Alphonsus in Auburn, on Saturday, March 27, at 5:15 p.m. Father Robert Hammond will preach at this Mass. Receptions will follow both ceremonies.

Father Clifford attended Mt. Carmel High School in Auburn and Auburn Community College prior to enrolling at St. John Fisher College where he majored in History. After his graduation from St. John Fisher, Father Clifford



FATHER STATT

Father Statt, ordained in 1958, served three years at St. Mary's, Canandaigua, and three years at Corpus Christi, Rochester, before taking the campus post.

His sister Rosemary, the youngest of three, is a member of the Religious of the Sacred Heart, teaching religion temporarily, in Uganda. "She has nothing but good to say of it," Father Statt reported. She spent three months in Belgium in a renewal program, and some time working with the poor in Cairo, and will finish a year abroad this July.

Their parents are Mr. and Mrs. Raymond W. Statt of Rugby Avenue, lifelong members of St. Augustine's Church.

Father Statt, 43, was graduated from Nazareth Hall and Aquinas Institute before entering the diocesan seminaries. At Geneseo, he has been a member of the Interfaith Board since its inception in 1965.



FATHER CLIFFORD

worked with the Office of Human Development for six months.

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Rich Salamone (name misspelled in photo above) is the first Section V wrestler from a Catholic high school to take top honors in the history of the tournament. A story and photos about the "Minibeast," as his friends call him, are in the Centerfold.