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## Renewing Vows

More than 150 people participated in the Wedding Anniversary Celebration Sunday, June 25, at St. Mary's Church, Canandaigua. Celebrant Bishop Joseph L. Hogan (right) called upon those married couples present to reaffirm the vows that joined them in Holy Matrimony years ago. Above, the crowd listens to Bishop Hogan's homily. A couple join hands as they recite their wedding vows (left).



## Msgr. Rauber Dies



MSGR. RAUBER

Bishop Joseph L. Hogan on Thursday, June 29, was the principal concelebrant of the funeral Mass for Msgr. Jacob R. Rauber who died June 26, 1978.

Msgr. Rauber had served, among other assignments for 14 years as pastor at St. Leo's in Hilton. During that time he was responsible for the construction of a major part of the parish plant.

After his retirement in 1968, Msgr. Rauber assisted at St. Helen's in Gates until he went to reside in the Baird Nursing Home.

He was ordained in 1927, a graduate of the diocesan seminaries. He served as a curate in St. John the Baptist Parish, Elmira; St. Mary's, Dansville; and Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Rochester.

For a year he also was administrator of Holy Trinity Church in Webster.

The twin pastorate of St.

Patrick's in Cato and St. Thomas in Red Creek followed that appointment.

In 1946 he was named pastor of St. Joseph's in Penfield, a post he held until the Hilton assignment in 1954.

The evening prior to his funeral liturgy, Auxiliary Bishop John E. McCafferty presided over a concelebrated Mass of Christ the High Priest in the Cathedral.

Msgr. Rauber is survived by two sisters, Rhea Wagner and Mrs. Isabell Platt; two nephews and several cousins.

## Priest's View of Israel:

# It's Historic, Modern; Wants Peace

By MARTIN TOOMBS  
Southern Tier Editor

Waverly— Earlier this year, a tour bus in Israel was attacked by a band from the Palestinian Liberation Organization, and several tourists were killed. The Israeli invasion of Southern Lebanon followed.

When the PLO attack occurred, a Carmelite priest active in this diocese was 15 minutes away, on another tour bus.

Father Timothy McGough, OC, of the Monastery of St. John of the Cross here, a chaplain at St. Joseph's Hospital in Elmira, was taking part in a program sponsored by his order. Members of his group were not aware of the PLO raid until they got back to their monastery in the Mt. Carmel range.

Father Timothy reported that when the

fighting began in Lebanon the priests could hear jets from the air base at Makhraqa going over toward Lebanon, and then they could hear guns. Next morning, the valley around the monastery was still, he said; everyone seemed to be waiting. That afternoon, the jets came out again and "screamed off" toward Lebanon.

"You just know as they pass your head that people are going to die in a couple of minutes," he said.

Father Timothy's visit, from November until April, encompassed the Sadat visit to Israel as well as the invasion of Lebanon. People were "euphoric" after Sadat's visit, hoping for peace, he observed. "That's what they desperately need—they need peace."

Father Timothy said he tried to appreciate conflicting viewpoints on the

territorial dispute. While the Arabs have lived there for 1,000 years, Palestine was the native land of the Jews until they were driven out 2,000 years ago, he explained. Apparently there are three possibilities, he said: elimination of the Jews, elimination of the Arabs or that these "Semitic brothers" will find a way to peace.

"In my mind, that's the only solution," Father Timothy said.

Both peoples have their "own beauty," he added. The Jews "make the desert bloom;" the Arabs have a "gentle inner spirit."

Both are "marvelous soldiers," he continued, but he quickly withdrew the word "marvelous," preferring "effective."

"Everybody there wants peace," he said.

Father Timothy

described many places he visited with a reverence for their Christian significance. The trip, he said, "was like a gift from God." He was in Bethlehem at Christmas and joined the Palm Sunday procession in Jerusalem.

"The place where I got closest to Christ," he recounted, was The Sea of Galilee. It was "easy to see the lake and read Scripture" and envision such events as the selection of the Apostles. It was inspirational also to go up the Mount of the Beatitudes, where Christ explained the "law of the spirit, rather than a codified law."

"One of the really beautiful experiences," Father Timothy continued, was the tour of the Sinai desert and visit to the Monastery of St.

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