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### St. Joachim Parish Marks 100th

Canisteo — St. Joachim's Parish will celebrate the 100th anniversary of its founding Sunday, June 8.

Bishop Matthew H. Clark will be the principal celebrant for a Mass at 2 p.m., which will be concelebrated by Father Thomas Burr; pastor, Father Eugene Emo, who assists at the parish, and other former pastors and local clergy. Clergy from other Canisteo churches also are expected to participate.

Following the Mass there will be a reception in the parish center.

A final event in the parish's celebration will be a parish picnic Sunday, June 29, at Kanakadea Recreational Area.

St. Joachim's, dedicated to the father of the Blessed Mother, was founded in 1880 by Father James M. Early, pastor of St. Ann's, Hornell, and later to be founder of St. James Mercy Hospital. The parish was incorporated March 20, 1880, and the parish church, which is the building still in use, was dedicated Nov. 21 the same year, by Bishop Stephen Ryan of Buffalo. At the time, the Southern Tier counties of Steuben, Schuyler, Chemung and Tioga were part of the Buffalo diocese.

At first Masses were celebrated in Canisteo every other Sunday, by Father James O'Laughlin, assistant pastor and then pastor of St. Ann's, Hornell. St. Joachim's continued as a mission of St. Ann's until 1931, being served by the priests of that parish.

In 1931, St. Ignatius Parish in Hornell was founded by Father Ignatius X. Cameron, and from Aug. 1 of that year, St. Joachim's was a mission of the new parish.

On Nov. 15, 1932, St. Joachim's was made a mission of St. Mary's, Rexville, a parish which long had had a resident priest. The change coincided with the appointment of Father William Cannan, previously assistant pastor of St. Ann's, Hornell, as pastor of the two parishes.

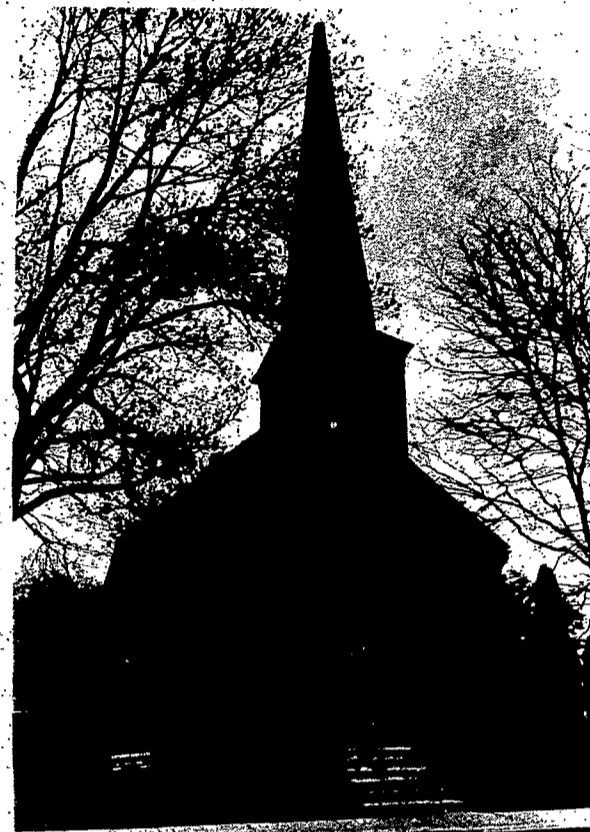
In 1951, St. Joachim's purchased the house next to the church as an ad-

### Administrator Named

Hornell — James N. Erklenz has been named director of fiscal services at St. James Mercy Hospital. He succeeds Merrill Frank, who is now the administrator of Ira Davenport Hospital, Bath.

A native of Penfield, Erklenz has served six years in the Navy. He holds degrees from the Rochester Institute of Technology and the University of Buffalo.

Erklenz and his wife, Sandra, and their four children will reside in Canisteo.



St. Joachim's Church.

ministration center for the growing parish. The house was renovated by parish volunteers, and although the pastor continued to live in Rexville, the house became known as the rectory.

Twelve years later, in recognition of the increasing population of St. Joachim's, Father Vincent Collins, newly appointed pastor of the two parishes, took up residence in Canisteo rather than Rexville, a practice that has been followed by his successors.

It was during the pastorate of Father John Malley that the church underwent its first major renovation in 1953. Pews were refinished, the interior was painted, and a new organ was installed. The church was re-dedicated Oct. 25, 1953, by Bishop James E. Kearney.

In 1956 a shrine to St. Joachim was built next to the

church. It was dedicated Aug. 16, 1956, by Msgr. Lawrence Garinon, Steuben dean, and Father Joseph Haffey, pastor.

During the pastorate of Father Collins, the parish launched a fund drive to expand the church and build a parish center for religious education and other parish uses. The \$35,000 drive goal was exceeded by \$12,000.

An addition of 35 feet to the rear of the church allowed the altar to be placed in the new section, doubling seating capacity from 100 to 200 persons. The new altars, designed according to Vatican II guidelines, were constructed by Joseph J. Hickey of Auburn, and installed in December 1964.

The parish center project followed quickly, and the multi-purpose facility was opened in 1966. The mortgage on the building was paid off in June 1975.

### 85 Attend Luncheon

Ithaca — The PEACE (Peace Enters After Committing Everything) luncheon drew 85 women to the Immaculate Conception School Saturday, May 24.

The women joined in a dish-to-pass luncheon, and then sang and prayed together, and heard speakers tell of their experiences and current religious commitment.

Organizers of the event, who invited all Catholic women of Tompkins County, had originally planned for 35 women to attend the luncheon. They quickly expanded their plans when the reservations exceeded that number by 50.

Conducting the program was Joyce Kiskis, who noted her interest in such a program being available to the Catholic women of the area, and the

organizers' interest in having a second such luncheon in the fall. The group also heard a formal talk by Mrs. Charlotte Addy.

Leading the singing was Jackie Gillogly on a guitar. Sister Elizabeth Hughes, parish pastoral assistant, thanked the women for attending the luncheon, noting that such a luncheon was a goal of hers when she first began work in Ithaca.

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Bishop Clark visited St. Mary's, Dansville, school and parish May 23, visiting each classroom and then celebrating Mass in the church. Above, he talks to some students outside the school, after he was presented with a stole. At left, Michelle Burnt finds a place on the bishop's knee during his visit to the kindergarten and first grade. And below, he asks the eighth grade about their recent trip to Cape Cod. Looking on are Sister Patricia Gouse, principal, and Father Francis Davis, pastor.



### Parish Honors Fr. Joseph F. Hogan

Corning — An overflow crowd attended a Eucharistic celebration Sunday, May 18, at St. Vincent DePaul Church to honor Father Joseph F. Hogan, pastor, on his 40th anniversary of ordination.

### Rummage Sale

Van Etten — St. Pius X Parish has scheduled a rummage sale for June 12-14 in the church hall on Main Street. The stock includes clean clothing, furniture, toys, books, etc. Hours are 9-4 Thursday and Friday; 9-noon Saturday.

Father Thomas Brennan, pastor emeritus of St. Mary's, Corning. Also participating in the celebration were Fathers John Brill, Robert Belligotti, Andrew Teuschel, Andrew Kalafsky, Eugene Sweeney, Jeremiah Moynihan, Robert MacNamara, Paul Cuddy and John Murray.

An honor guard from the Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus escorted the celebrants.

A parish reception honoring Father Hogan followed later in the day, with more than 600 persons attending, including both St. Vincent parishioners and many guests from out of town.

### St. Felix Sets Spring Fair

Clifton Springs — The Youth Group of St. Felix Parish will hold a Spring Fair Saturday, June 14, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The event will be held at the church hall on the corner of Broad and Main Streets.

Featured booths at the fair will contain baked goods, crafts, plants and novelties. Refreshments and deli foods will also be available.

Adult coordinators for the event are George and Minnie DeSchepper. Youth chairman is Leri Maslyn. Proceeds will go to the GYO fund.