


History of St. Joseph Parish continued.

1925 – 2003

Early Catholic Education

ne of the first concerns of the Catholic families was the Catholic education of their young. In the beginning, parents were responsible for this education. Pat Bannon hired teachers to come to the island to teach his children. As early as 1913, Mrs. William (Anna) Keefe organized Sunday School Classes. Matt Smith, Mrs. Ford J. DeHaven Sr., and the Duggan sisters taught the Baltimore Catechism. Later others were involved in this education with a religious vacation school and a summer camp, Camp Good Counsel. Later still, the Sisters of St. Francis came from Lakeland on Saturdays to teach the children of parishioners.