

Becket Hall:

Recently, it seems that a great emphasis has been placed upon the apostolate of the poor in the inner city. Many priests, nuns and interested laymen are spending a good deal of their efforts on the problem of the "inner city". However, is it not true that there is an apostolate to the "outer city"?

Dear Nancy:

It is true that "inner-city" work has been emphasized to a greater extent in the past few years than ever before. This is as it should be, for there is much that must be done to instill the Spirit of God into people's lives there. While work among the poor in any area has always been the concern of the Church, it seems that the point of focus, at present, has to be the inner city, due to the problem of the slums.

Generally speaking, the inner city parishes cannot raise either the money or the manpower to meet all their needs. The individual parish in the inner city does not have the number and dedicated workers necessary to homes of the people in the

to take the Word of God into areas. The seriousness of the situation has prompted a number of suburban parishes to send donations to help the financial need, and people to alleviate the manpower shortage.

However, it would not be right for these parishes to neglect what is going on right in their own back yard. There are many people who live in suburban areas who need the attention of priests and nuns and lay people.

True knowledge of the Spirit of God does not depend upon the size of one's bank account. Christianity must be made to live in the hearts of the people in the suburban parishes as well as in the inner city parishes.

If they live their religion, the Catholics of the outer city will become interested in the problems in their own parish; whether the Mass is a meaningful form of prayer in their church; whether the Faith is being strengthened among Catholics and spread to non-Catholics; whether those people who are

shut-ins or in hospitals, are being taken care of spiritually, and so on. Then, after seeing to their own affairs, they can go out to help those parishes that need it.

Thus, parishes in the outer city have two areas of responsibility. The first is concern for the spiritual well-being of the people within their boundaries, and second, concern for the physical and spiritual well-being of the people in less fortunate areas.

Neither opportunity may be overlooked.

Nazareth Students Stamp Book Drive

Nazareth Academy students are busy collecting books of trading stamps to defray the cost of the major prizes to be given away on Nazareth Day, the annual outdoor bazaar held in May.

Prizes will be awarded to the girl in each homeroom bringing in the largest number of books. Girls are being assisted in the project by the PTA Board under the chairmanship of Mrs. Arthur Beane.

25 Years Ago

(From Catholic Courier, Feb. 18, 1943)

The priestly zeal and concern of Chaplain Elmer W. Heindl for the physical welfare of all servicemen in his unit, "somewhere in the Pacific" was hailed by one of the men in a letter to his Brooklyn pastor and printed in the parish bulletin.

Honor rolls bearing the names of young men in service from St. Francis de Sales and St. Stephen churches, Geneva were placed in prominent places in each church. Bishop Kearney inspected them on a visit to Geneva.

Servicemen training to become pilots at Shaw Field near Sumter, S.C. were highly praised for their fervor at Mass by Father Timothy J. McGrath on a return visit to St. Mary Church, Auburn.

DEADLINE FOR NEWS MONDAY NOON FRIDAY DELIVERY

Genesee Hospital Nurse Wins 'Miss Hope' Title

A 21-year-old nurse at Genesee Hospital was recently named "Miss Hope — 1968 of Monroe County." Marilyn Sue Metherell, the winner, will now represent the county in state competition, according to John Petrossi, president of the Monroe County unit of the American Cancer Society.

Miss Metherell, 21, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph M. Metherell, of 346 Maplewood Ave., Rochester. A graduate of the Genesee Hospital School of Nursing, she is currently a member of the nursing staff there.

She is the second oldest in a family of five children, received her high school education at Nazareth Academy, and lists writing, dramatics, skiing, ice skating and tennis among her favorite activities during off-duty hours.

Miss Metherell will compete with other candidates from upstate counties in finals of this annual competition scheduled to be held in Buffalo on March 21. "Miss Hope—1968 of New York

State" and her court will be revealed this same evening at ceremonies marking the New York State Cancer Crusade Kick-off. She will represent the York State Division serving as spokesman for the American Cancer Society in various activities promoting the control of cancer.

Area runners-up with Miss Metherell were Kathleen Margaret Jenkins, 19, of 1794 Jackson Rd., Penfield, a senior student at Genesee Hospital School of Nursing, and Sandra Crust, 21, of Brampton, Ontario, Canada, a junior at Strong Memorial Hospital School of Nursing.

Candidates must be unmarried students or registered professional nurses. They are judged in local and statewide competition on personality, intelligence, beauty, and presentation of a three-minute talk on nursing and some phase of the cancer problem. The panel of local judges included Sorscha Brodsky, Joe Deane, Jack Decker, Richard Keenan, and Robert Odenbach.



"MISS HOPE — 1968 OF MONROE COUNTY" is the proud title borne by Miss Marilyn Sue Metherell, shown being crowned here by last year's Miss America, Debra Dene Barnes. Both girls participated in the annual Auto Show held at the Rochester War Memorial.

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