

New Canons, Prefaces Get OK for Mass

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Canon 4 is said to be closer to the traditional canon of the Mass and to unfold the chief synthesis of salvation.

Eucharistic Prayer No. 4 was said to reflect the spirit of decree of Ecumenical Council Vatican II "On the Church in the Modern World," in that it refers to man's role on earth and his relation to God.

It says, "You made man in your image and entrusted the entire world to his care, that serving you, the Creator, he might be responsible for every creature."

The theme of the canon also is said to touch upon God's love for man, which is more clearly brought out in Eucharistic Prayer No. 2.

After asserting the unity of mankind in Christ, it speaks of God, "Who loves His creation" — man. It says, "Remember all Your people and all who seek You in sincerity of heart."

(Father Gerard Sigler, executive secretary of the International Committee for English in the Liturgy, Washington, said that the English translations of the texts should be ready, he added, for approval by the bishops' conference shortly after Aug. 15, the date set for the promulgation of the new canons and prefaces.)

Presbyterians: Step Up War On Poverty

Minneapolis — (RNS) — The United Presbyterian Church's 180th General Assembly here called for escalation of the war on poverty and racism and de-escalation of the Vietnam war.

The legislative body of the 3.2 million-member denomination rejected a proposal to charge the U.S. with "immoral" behavior in connection with the war. They also rejected an accusation that Americans have engaged in saturation bombing and cut out a section suggesting guidelines for future U.S. foreign policy.

On the urban crisis, The Church and Society committee's report charged that while racism "has committed a violent and destructive aggression" on minority groups.

Denominational boards and agencies were asked to revise their priorities and direct more funds and staff to Negro churches and to develop education and action centers in white suburbs.



Dr. Spock, Chaplain Found Guilty

Famed pediatrician Dr. Benjamin Spock, left, and the Rev. William Sloane Coffin, Jr., chaplain of Yale University, right, speak with newsmen after they were convicted by a federal jury in Boston of conspiring to counsel young men to evade the draft. With them is Michael Ferber, also found guilty. (Religious News Service)

Inter-Communion Hit By Paris Archbishop

Paris — (RNS) — Archbishop Francis Marty of Paris issued a statement here deploring the celebration of an inter-communion service on Pentecost Sunday.

The service in which Catholics and Protestants received the Eucharist together, the archbishop said, "has roused deep and just amazement in many Christians of the diocese."

"Some Christians," he continued, "present at these events felt they could proclaim their common faith in the same Christ by a communal participation in the Eucharist."

"It is an act," the archbishop declared, "which we cannot approve, though understanding the search for communion which united these Christians because we all aspire towards a unity which would put an end to the sufferings of our separation."

"The Eucharist is the sacrament of unity," he noted, "and participation in the same Eucharist implies total communion of life, thoughts and feelings which are expressed in the confession of the same faith and adherence to the same Church."

"The liturgy belongs to the universal Church," he said. "It is not possible to dissociate the Church from the faith, nor the Church from the Eucharist."

Archbishop Marty, alluding to the participation of non-ordained ministers and laity, warned that the "Eucharist belongs to the priestly ministry and only the priest has the power to consecrate the Eucharist."

Anglican Bishop to Host Five Catholic Prelates

Bogota, Colombia — (NC) — Anglican Bishop David Benson Reed of Bogota offered accommodations for five Catholic bishops during the forthcoming International Eucharistic Congress in August, and five Ecuadorian prelates accepted his invitation.

They are Bishops Bernardo Echeverria Ruiz of Ambato and Candido Rada Cenosi of Guaranda and Auxiliary Bishops Gabriel Diaz Cueva, Ernesto Alvarez and Vicente Cisneros of Guayaquil.

More than 200 bishops and 16 cardinals have said they will attend the eucharistic congress here.

Scripture in Korean — Five Protestant and five Catholic scholars formed the Korean Bible Society and produced a New Testament in the Korean language.

In Midst of Spectacular Beauty...

By VIRGINIA EADES
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Guatemala City — In two small villages in the Guatemalan highlands two Benedictine nuns from Indiana are working against tremendous odds to improve the living conditions and the health of thousands of Guatemalan Indians.

Sister Mary Janet Van Horn, a native of Fort Wayne, and Sister Rosaline Kuntz of Fuda are manning small clinics equipped with only the barest essentials. At Chamelco, Sister Mary Janet, who formerly worked as a nurse at Huntington (Ind.) Hospital, administers the clinic with only the help of a male nurse. A doctor visits the clinic once a week, but the rest of the time the Sister and her assistants go it alone.

At Tzucru, a two-hour drive from the Benedictine mission at Coban, Sister Rosaline is nursing alone. Guatemalan doctors seldom, if ever, appear at Tzucru, and she has no assistant.

Recently the clinics near Coban were added to the list of "vacation" spots where Holidays for Humanity doctors and other medical personnel volunteer to work without pay. Holidays for Humanity was organized more than five years ago by Dr. John C. Slaughter, an Evansville, Ind. Catholic physician. Since its inception more than 40 doctors and dentists have been sent to isolated areas of Central America for periods of from two to four weeks, using their vacation time to serve the poor in those regions.

Chamelco and Tzucru are villages of perhaps only a few hundred people, but each serves an area in which five thousands of Guatemalan Indians, almost none of whom speak Spanish, live. As many dialects in Guatemala as there are states, and the Indians in one state cannot communicate with those of another.

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The Sisters have a working knowledge of Spanish, but only a nodding acquaintance with the dialects, so they need an interpreter at their elbows almost constantly.

In the middle of some of the most spectacular scenery in all Central America, barefoot Guatemalan Indians live in thatched-roofed houses with dirt floors. Few of them have gone beyond the second grade.

They are painfully shy and superstitious, and their children are very often undernourished and full of worms.

Every morning the mothers, with babies in arms and assorted offspring by the hand, line up in the vestibule of the little government clinic at Chamelco. They come for vaccinations, inoculations, oral polio vaccine and injections of penicillin, in which they have a child-like faith.

It is a curious thing, but they have little confidence in pills, and seem to feel cheated if they don't get a needle jabbed into their arms or backsides. In order to make sure they take the pills prescribed, Sister Mary Janet sometimes gives them a harmless injection of water, then tells them the injection will not work unless the pills are taken.

Some arrive with ailments or diseases that Sister Mary Janet, with only a nursing degree, is unable to diagnose, let alone treat. These she reluctantly turns away and suggests that they return the week the doctor makes his visit to the clinic. But there are never enough doctors to go around.

Measles, whooping cough and simple colds account for an unbelievable

number of deaths. Coupled with malnutrition, or some other ailment, and that old bugaboo superstition, it is sometimes too late by the time the people come for help.

The Department of Public Health provides so little in the way of medicine or basic materials for operating a clinic efficiently that much of what is used at Chamelco and Tzucru is obtained through U.S. Catholic Relief Services, the Catholic Medical Mission Board and Holidays for Humanity. CARE also provides some high-protein soybean meal.

Occasionally the Sisters pick up samples of medicine free of charge on their trips back to the United States, but then there is the problem of getting it across the border. Sometimes it is cheaper to buy in Guatemala City at advanced prices than to pay shipping charges and duty. An attempt is being made in Guatemala to negotiate a new contract with the government in order to cut some of the red tape involved in bringing medicines and drugs into the country.

But the Department of Public Health, with the assistance of the patient nursing Sisters, has gone a long way in the past few years to erase the Indians' superstitions and lack of faith in both curative and preventive medicine. Sister Mary Janet has started a series of prenatal classes that run two days a week for one month for the mothers of the area. So far they have shown only mild interest and it is too soon to see the results.

"We can't see much change from day to day," Sister Mary Janet said, "but from year to year there is obvious improvement. In 1966 we gave only 200 vaccinations, which is nothing in a community this size. But last year there were 1,400. Now the Indians are beginning to come on their own without prodding from us or the government people."

The Pope's Trip to Bogota

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Vatican City — (NC) — Pope Paul VI will fly to South America on Aug. 22 on his sixth trip outside Italy since he was elected Pope five years ago.

He will stay in Colombia three days for the International Eucharistic Congress in Bogota, the capital of Colombia.

Pope Paul is to fly out of Rome the very early hours of Aug. 22.

When the Pope arrives in Bogota late that same morning he will immediately visit the cathedral. In afternoon — on a day the Congress has dedicated to the priesthood.

Vatican A Exploitation Remarks

By FATHER ROBERT A. GRAHAM, S.J.

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Vatican City — (RNS) — political exploitation of Sen. Robert Kennedy's death in Los Angeles already under way in Europe, the Vatican is bracing itself against the flood.

Pope Paul has no intention of using his own statements on violence to make a trap for fools. He has stressed spokesmen on the other side of the Pope condemn violence means not just one kind of violence but all violence, by whatever means and at whatever level.

The Vatican is pleased that its preachment of violence is of long standing. Observers Romano, with evidence of complacency, public statements on the subject go back to 1963.

But while in the United States on "violence" connotes banning guns, in Europe the word is a call for broad ideological ideas. It is for war, capitalism, reaction but

International

Brazil: Focus

Rio de Janeiro — (NC) — poor will be the main concern of general assembly of Latin American bishops in August. Archbishop Paulo de Vilela of Teresina, Brazil, president of the Latin American Bishops' Council (CELAM), said.

The meeting of the bishops was held in Medellin, Colombia, following the International Eucharistic Congress at Bogota.

Describing the agenda for the assembly, Archbishop Brandao said the principal concern of the Church contemporary mission is "her commitment to the poor."

"In the recent past," he said, Church was influenced by an growth of political power. In areas, Catholicism became the religion of the dominant classes against the Church was identified

Red China: C

Hong Kong — (NC) — A like feature of China's Cultural Revolution since August, 1967, has a large-scale revival of public rallies of "counter-revolutionaries and criminals, frequently followed by immediate executions.

As many as 250,000 people have attended some of these rallies, held over China from Hailuogang since to Yunnan province, where imminent meted out included immediate executions, suspended death sentences and terms of imprisonment including life sentences.

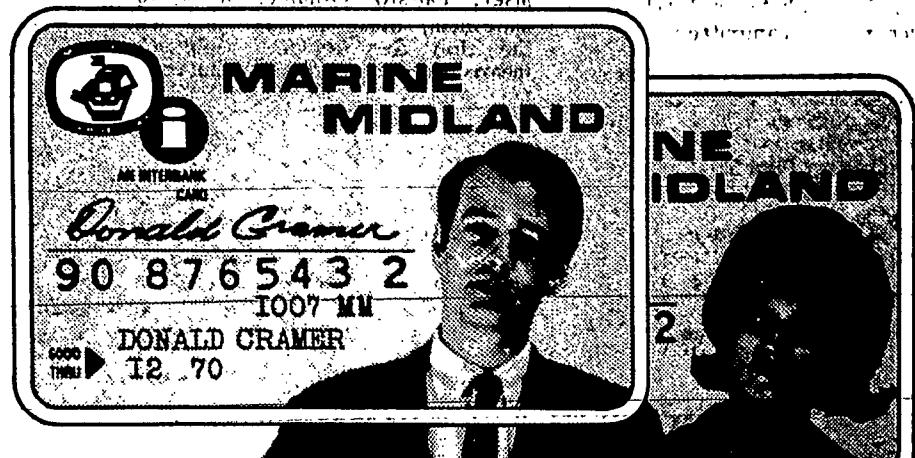
Shanghai appears to have witnessed six executions, the largest since August, 1967. Television have been featured in Peking Canton.

England: Cat

London — (RNS) — A more spread of Roman Catholicism throughout Britain in the wake of growth and social mobility was cast in an important new sociological volume of interdenominational contributions published here.

Referring specifically to the growth of Roman Catholicism in the area, in recent decades, the volume said: "The future trends in geographical distribution of C

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