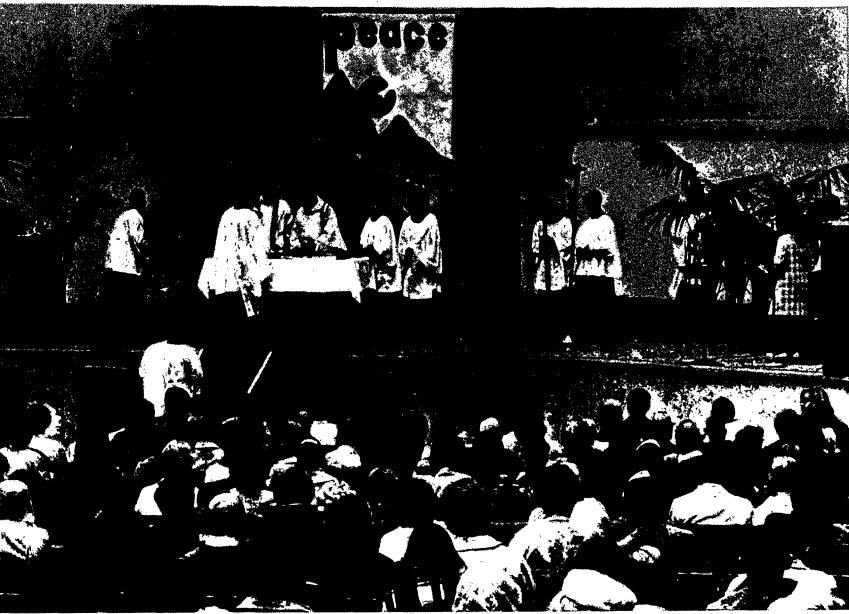
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Scene at Sunday's Peace Mass. See Page 11A for story.

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N.Y. City Separate State? No!

BY CARMEN VIGLUCCI

Any upstaters entertaining thoughts about making the New York City area a separate state can forget it if the final Courier-Journal Election '70 survey is indicative of the thinking of state candidates as a whole.

The Courier-Journal asked the 74 candidate for state and federal offices from the Rochester diocese, "Should New York City be a separate state?"

Thirty-nine said no and 20 had no comment. Only six said yes while nine commented but took no specific position.

Not one of the candidates for the state's executive offices favors such a plan while seven said no, four had no comment and one commented but did not take a strict position.

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Of the 12 State Senate candidates from the diocese, two said

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yes, six no, three no comment, and one commented.

Eighteen of the 34 Assembly candidates oppose the idea, four are in favor, eight had no comment and four only commented.

There were no yes votes among the 16 federal candidates, eight said no, five had no comment, and three only commented.

Fifty-six of the 74 candidates from the diocese answered the poll. Previous surveys dealt with abortion and public aid to private schools.

Gov. Rockefeller summed up the feelings of many when he opposed the idea declaring, "Diversity is the hallmark of New York State, and its great metropolis makes a vital contribution to the sum total. Separation would create more problems than it would solve." Rockefeller's Conservative foe in the election, Paul Adams, answered no while the Democratic-Liberal challenger Arthur Goldberg did not reply.

While attorney general candidate Leo Kesselring, Conservative, replied negatively he pointed out that he thought further state aid to New York City should be contingent on that city "putting its own house in order."

John Parker, the Democratic candidate in the 49th Senate District, was one of only two State Senate candidates to endorse the idea.

"Because New York City has special problems," he said, "it needs more direct aid and federal money. If it were a state it could be eligible for this aid."

His opponent, incumbent Theodore Day, opposes the idea.

In the 50th district, Conservative Gregory Sampson, despite "a great temptation to support ... this very appealing notion" said he must reject it because its constitutionality is dubious and it would "set an unfortunate precedent."

Both Republican incumbent Sen. Thomas Laverne and Democratic Howard A. McGee oppose the idea on grounds that "fragmentation" would be harmful.

Joseph W. Campbell, the Re-Wednesday, October 14, 1970 publican - Conservative candidate in the 51st district, said New York City should be a separate state "because it would solve many of the problems of the city and upstate." He urges a referendum on the matter after the voters are given all the facts, pro and con.

Sen. James Powers, the 51st's Democratic incumbent, opposed the plan as "a policy of isolation."

"As our population grows," he commented, "we see that problems must be solved on a larger and not a smaller regional level."

Dr. Max L. Fox, the Conservative candidate in the 122nd Assembly District, favors such a concept because of "the conflicting needs of upstate, rural New York vs. New York City." He adds, however, that it would require a popular vote and "with New York City controlling most of the votes it is not likely that the metropolis

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Parishioners throughout the Rochester Diocese will turn their prayers and generosity this weekend toward the more than 800 dioceses in the mission world which rely on the Society for the Propagation of the Faith to assist the people they serve.

Next Sunday, Oct. 18, is Mission Sunday in dioceses throughout the nation.

Sermons and collections in Rochester diocesan parishes will emphasize the fact that nearly 100 men and women from this diocese are included among the 150,000 priests, nuns, brothers and laity whose missionary work depends greatly on funds contributed on Mission Sunday.

Last year the diocese contributed \$837,646.06 from all sources through the diocesan PF Society. The Mission Sunday donations totaled \$145,802.99. (See the diocesan parochial figures in the chart on Page 8A).

In addition to the annual October Mission Sunday, Rochester diocesan parishioners also contributed more than \$100,000 in collections last spring for the direct diocesan missions in Bolivia, Brazil and Chile.

In a letter read in churches last Sunday, Bishop Hogan stated "we will be among the saved only if we have been saviors, for ours is the great dignity and vocation of being the Lord's instruments in the redemption of the world."

Praising the parishes for their gifts, the Bishop wrote: "I am happy to report that the Diocese of Rochester ranked 8th among all the archdioceses and dioceses of the country last year in its mission collections. The record will be better this year without asking anyone to give more. It can be accomplished simply if more would give something."

In world proportions, Christianity even after 20 centuries is still in infancy. Asia has a population of more than 900 million non-Christians; Africa's 260 million includes only 30 million Catholics, and Latin America numerically constitutes almost one-third of the universal Church yet has only one priest for every 10,000 Catholics.

(Bishop Hogan's letter is in the C-J Centerfold.)

Ch. 10 to Carry Mission Mass

Bishop Hogan will celebrate a Mass marking Mission Sunday which will be broadcast by Rochester's WHEC-TV (Channel 10) at 8:30 a m. Sunday, Oct. 18.

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