



shares personal insights gained during Teen Seminar. From left to right are Ken DiSanto, Debbie Wery, Jeff Kinz, Mary Lang, Ann Gleichauf, Julie Augsburg, Lori Whittaker, and Marg Bishop.



Joan McAllister leads songs during folk Mass.



Robert Hammond shares names and addresses.



Julie Augsburg gestures to clarify her thought.



"You know what you want to change about yourself," Colleen Jamieson tells another member of her group.



Elizabeth Mason listens as her group discusses her good points. "You're always smiling," was one comment.



Hugs tell of new love in Christ.



Youth express eagerness and joy as they wait to receive the Eucharist.

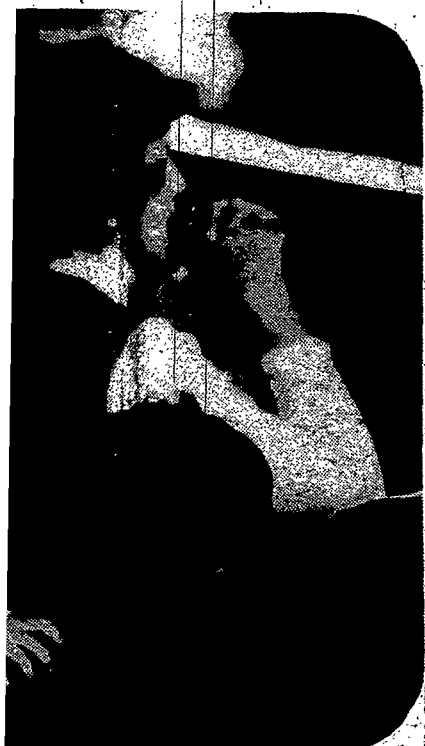
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mond said that some families are not prepared for the change in their youngsters. Formerly unreachable kids now want to attend Mass daily. Some parents feel, "We wanted you to be religious, but not this religious." Father Hammond spoke of the problem of kids feeling down after Teen Seminar in his homily during the closing mass. "Down is the inability of the Christian to take the Cross of Christ upon him and say God's grace is sufficient no matter what the circumstances of a particular day." There are 52 Reality groups throughout the diocese.

Exodus is another new program designed for young adults in transition, exiting from their homes for career or college. The follow-up program for Exodus is Tutorial. Father Hammond said that it is like Reality in that it involves sharing, but also more advanced in its continued learning emphasis. In Tutorial, people aged 18 to 26 learn to study, to enjoy fellowship, and to pray on deeper levels. Youth from tutorial groups attend the same pilgrimage program as reality group members.

One woman at the closing Mass, who has seen most of her children make seminar, tried to sum it all up: "I'm absolutely convinced that this is the way it was in the beginning."



Teen seminar closing Mass. This totting he were older.