



Retired Bishop James E. Kearney, "Patron Saint" of the Seton movement at St. Mary's Hospital, talks with chairmen of the Seton Ball, Mrs. Julie Fitzsimmons (center); her administrative assistant, Mrs. Liz Loetzer (right), and the president of the Women's Board of St. Mary's Hospital, Mrs. Patsy Schroth.

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Hornell Student Takes CDA Award

Hornell — Miss Lois Burns, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Burns, The Highlands, was awarded second place in a statewide essay contest sponsored by Catholic Daughters of America. The title of her essay is "The Family, The Source of Love and Unity."

Miss Burns, a Hornell Senior High School student, first entered her essay in a contest sponsored

by Court St. Ann CDA last February, where it took first place. From there it was forwarded to the State competition.

CORRECTION

As pastor of St. Patrick's, Corning, Father Andrew W. Teuschel will be succeeding Father Emmett Davis, who is retiring. Father Thomas Brennan is retiring from the pastorate of St. Mary's, Corning.

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Seton Ball Plans Set

The 1975 Seton Ball has been officially launched with the blessings of Bishop James E. Kearney following a meeting with the chairman of the Seton Ball and her administrative assistant as well as with the president of the Women's Board of St. Mary's Hospital. Bishop Kearney founded the Seton Ball 20 years ago with the first at the Powers Hotel. This year the ball will be at the Americana Hotel on Nov. 22.

This is a special year for the members of Seton, as on Sept. 14 Mother Seton will become the

first native American saint to be canonized. Mother Seton founded the Sisters of Charity which staff St. Mary's Hospital. The theme of this year's Ball will be Dear Remembrances which was the name of Mother Seton's diary. The funds will be used towards the new research center in the Bishop Kearney Building at St. Mary's Hospital.

Arrangements are being handled by Mrs. Shelia Keelan and Mrs. Ginny McDonnell with Mrs. Irene Peartree and Mrs. Mary Hickey taking care of

benefactors. The theme will be carried out by Mrs. Mary Ellen Cammeyer and Mrs. Carol Giluffo, decorations, and Mrs. Elaine Formicola and Mrs. Mayme DeMonte, entertainment. Invitations may be obtained by calling Mrs. Frederick Loder at 586-9441 or Mrs. Jennie Gugino at 482-4067. Mrs. Nancy Nicosia and Mrs. Mary Reiser are in charge of the program and Mrs. Margo Norton and Mrs. Joyce Considine finance.

Reservations are being handled by Mrs. Noreen Haggerty and Mrs. Beverly Tomaine and tickets by Mrs. Joan Loewenguth and Mrs. Peggy Bauer. Publicity chairmen are Mrs. Cathie Meisenzahl and Mrs. Ann Gertner with reception hosted by Mrs. Peggy Dollinger and Mrs. Mary McConville. Advisers are Mrs. Helen Maurer, Mrs. Virginia Porter, Mrs. Mary Vasile and Mrs. Marina Sheehy.

The mission of the Church is not to save souls, but to save men. And that means in all the complexity of his spiritual and temporal, individual and social nature.

The Church is composed of a saving people moving out on a mission into the world, not a saved people who are retreating into the security of the four walls of the Church building.

Vatican II has once again emphasized this outward thrust of the Church. She has called for an open Church for

open eyes and hearts, and minds; open hands to give and receive; openness to every breath of the Spirit that fills the earth; openness to need, to the poor, the sick, the lonely; openness to all cultures, classes, and faiths; openness to what is other than herself.

Once the world meets the open Church in Christians who have caught her spirit, who are full of welcome, who are positive, fearless, receptive, ready to change and to exchange — it will have met and recognized its Lord and found itself "at home" in His open heart.

Christ put His finger on us, and has said, "Ephpheta!" which means "be opened!" (Mk. 7:34). What churches need today, therefore, is —

- More tithes and fewer drives.
- More action and less faction.
- More workers and fewer shirkers.
- More backers and fewer slackers.
- More of God's plans and less of man's.
- More praying and less straying.
- More divine power and less human "bow-wow."
- More burden-bearers and fewer tale-bearers.
- More tongues of fire and fewer fiery tongues.
- More seeking for grace, less seeking for place.
- More holiness of life, less bickering and strife.
- More fasting and less feasting.

WORD FOR SUNDAY



Fr. Albert Shamon

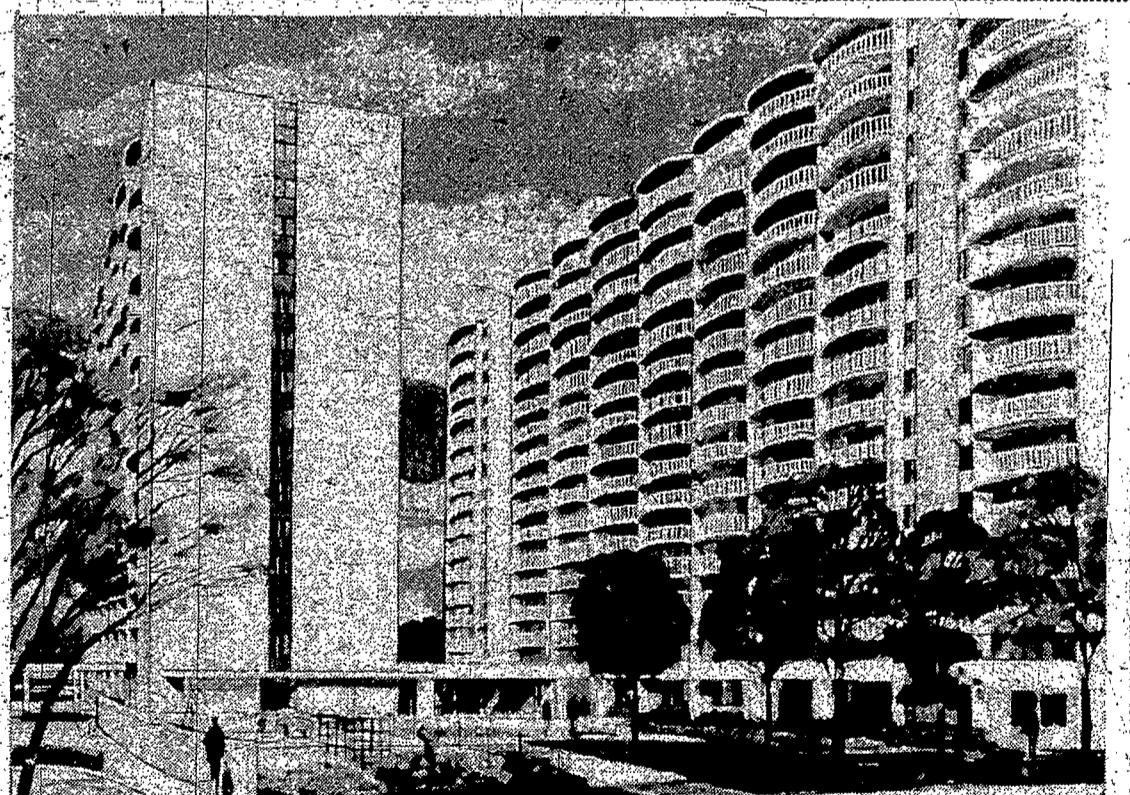
Sunday's Readings: (R3) Mt. 9:36-10:8. (R1) Ex. 19:2-6. (R2) Rom. 5:6-11.

It is difficult to find a single theme in Sunday's liturgy, but there is one. It is that of mission.

In the first Reading, God through Moses calls the twelve tribes of Israel, not for privilege, but for mission — to be "a kingdom of priests, a holy nation." All but a remnant of Israel failed in this mission. Instead of being a light to the nations, Israel — all but a remnant — became as a miser and hoarded her spiritual wealth. The Gentiles, she called "dogs," and whenever an Israelite returned to the homeland after having touched foreign soil, he shook the dust of the foreign land from off his sandals. The Israelite, in his way of thinking, was God's "special possession, dearer to Him than all other people"; the rest of mankind was accursed (R1).

But God is Father of all. God loves all. God wills the salvation of all, so the Israel which rejected the Gentile world, God Himself rejected. Through His Son, He called from the faithful remnant of Israel another twelve to take the place of delinquent Israel. And He sent them forth to liberate mankind from all its ills: the three D's — demons, disease, and death. He gave them authority to expel unclean spirits and to cure sickness and disease of every kind" (R3).

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