

Charities Convention Highlights



Addressing the gathering Saturday is Msgr. Charles Fahey, president of the National Conference of Catholic Charities. At far left is Msgr. Lawrence Corcoran, executive director of the NCCC. Others are Father Richard Lawrence and Judith Fairbanks Linstrom.



Sister Elizabeth Kelliher, left, of New York City, talks with David Hougan of Rockford, Ill., and Sister Caroline Svihla of Chicago.



Bishop Matthew H. Clark concelebrates Mass with the conventioners.



St. Joseph's Villa had a display at the NCCC convention.



Joan M. Smith, professor and associate dean at the St. Louis University School of Social Service, addresses a workshop on caseload management.



A meeting of Catholic Charities Coordinated Appeal.

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meeting of the Association of Ladies of Charity of the United States.

It is Ms. Henderson's thesis that the world is entering the "Solar Age" and departing from the "Petroleum Age." She said that the Solar Age will peak around 2100, and will be in decline by 2300.

In this solar age, she said, the ideological battles between national governments will realign, since it is no longer only a matter of who owns the means of production, but also the need to address the

ecological, social and spiritual dilemmas posed by the means of production themselves."

She also asserted that mankind is undergoing a cultural transition into a period "when both material and other-worldly concerns and systems of truth and knowledge are balanced and integrated — producing the periods of highest human cultural achievement."

She said, "I believe that while the dangers are enormous, the long-term opportunities for the human species to evolve on this planet in accordance with its

operating principles: cooperation, honesty, peacefulness, sharing and love, are still waiting for us."

Ms. Henderson, a native of England and now a U.S. citizen and resident of Florida, holds an honorary doctorate of Science from the Worcester Polytechnic Institute. She is a member of the editorial advisory board of "Technological Forecasting and Social Change."

Widely published in magazines, Ms. Henderson is also author of the forthcoming "The Politics of Reconceptualization" from Anchor/Doubleday.

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