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Victory Noll is forty years old. The main building (part of which is shown here) was erected in 1924, the munificent gift of the late Archbishop Noll and OUR SUNDAY VISITOR. It was on December 7, 1924, that Father Sigstein and the first little band of sisters moved into the new motherhouse. The following day, feast of the Immaculate Conception, Father celebrated the first Mass.

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With Sister Michael are Sister Maria Antonia (left) and Sister Maria Estrella, Oblates of Notre Dame from the Philippines.

THE TWO attractive young Filipino women in their simple but stylish suits of bright blue walked down a corridor of Victory Noll motherhouse to meet us. Even though they were accompanied by Sister Michael, the Victory Noll sister who was supposed to introduce us to two members of a new religious community, we could hardly believe our eyes.

However, only a few minutes conversation with Sister Maria

## *Sisters in Modern Dress*

by KATHERINE ORIEZ

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Estrella and Sister Maria Antonia is enough to convince anyone that they are as dedicated and devoted members of the sisterhood as any nun wearing a long flowing robe and veil.

Sister Estrella and Sister Antonia are members of the Oblates of Notre Dame, founded in Cotabato City, the Philippine Islands, in 1956 by the Oblates of Mary Immaculate. Sister Estrella is the superior general of

the community which now numbers over eighty members, and is one of the two sisters who have made perpetual vows.

The Philippine sisters are attending Catholic University in Washington, D. C., living in the same residence hall with Sister Michael and Sister Mary Edna of Victory Noll, and like them, are studying for degrees in religious education.

"We've adopted them," said Sister Michael, adding that the Philippine community does catechetical work in their country very similar to that of the Victory Noll sisters in the United States.

In June Sister Estrella and Sister Antonia came "home" to Victory Noll to make a retreat with the Missionary Sisters before returning to the university for the summer session. They also spent a few days comparing notes with the Indiana community and studying their methods and programs.

By coincidence, while they were at Victory Noll they received a letter from the Oblates of Notre Dame telling of research now underway on a history of the community. Someone had just found correspondence which indicated that the missionaries who founded the Philippine community had believed that it should be patterned after an American community specializing in catechetical

work: Our Lady of Victory Missionary Sisters of Victory Noll in Indiana!

When asked about their work in their homeland the Filipino sisters laughed and said, "Oh, we ride horseback and hike and even are disc jockies." Then they added that they do their horseback riding and hiking to reach remote jungle villages where they live with local families while they teach religion and do social work. Some of these places are so remote and the people there have so little opportunity to practice their religion that the sisters face a tremendous challenge in keeping the faith alive. "If a priest cannot come to celebrate Mass, we gather the people together and teach them the prayers of the Mass so they can say them together after we leave," they explained.

The sisters' "disc jockey" duties really are performed as commentators on two radio stations operated by the Catholic Church in the Philippines. Besides playing religious records, singing themselves, and conducting instruction classes on the radio, they also do the commentaries on broadcast Masses.

Besides their wide variety of catechetical work, the Oblates of Notre Dame conduct five regular schools, "from kindergarten to the college level," and serve as teachers in Catholic colleges.

"We were founded by missionary priests who had worked over twenty-five years in the Philippine Islands and had seen the need for a community of sisters adapted to the religious needs of the present-day conditions," explained Sister Estrella. She added that because of their modern habit, parents of prospective members often object that they do not want their daughters joining a religious community of sisters "who don't look like sisters." However, their very active, apostolic lives and their modern habit have such strong appeal for young girls that the community is flourishing.

Sister Estrella explained that the blue wool suit and white blouse was a uniform adapted to wear in the United States. They have a "summer" habit, worn almost year-round in the tropical Philippine Islands, of light weight cotton with short sleeves. The sisters wear their hair in any simple modern fashion and have no official head covering. They wear a small black lace veil, traditional for women in their country, when in church and big straw hats for protection from the tropic sun when traveling to remote villages.

Sister Estrella said that Cotabato City has a large Mohammedan population and many of their school students are Mohammedan. Just this past spring in Washington they had the joy

of seeing a convert to Catholicism who had attended one of their schools ordained a priest.

The young superior general represents a generation that grew up under difficult wartime conditions. She remembers crawling under Japanese fire with her family to the safety of the beach when the American forces under General MacArthur re-invaded at Leyte during World War II. "When we reached the beach and saw the Americans and all their ships and all those soldiers, it was like a dream come true!" she added.

Petite Sister Estrella is so youthful in appearance and enthusiasm that we questioned that she could have such memories of a war twenty-years ago. She laughed and told of a recent experience. She was relating her wartime adventures to a group of postulants and novices.

"When I told them that one refugee gave birth to a baby girl on the beach and the baby was showered with gifts and food by the generous American soldiers, one of the postulants suddenly gasped," Sister said.

"Sister," the postulant told her, "I was that baby born on the beach during the landing."

Today, with other modern young women, the former refugee baby is dedicating her life to Christ to serve the religious needs of a nation that survived its wartime ordeal by fire.

# Your Last Issue

by SISTER ELIZABETH ANN

BY THIS TIME you have received a letter from Sister Clarice, our circulation manager, with the news that we will discontinue publication of THE MISSIONARY CATECHIST.

This decision was not made lightly by Mother Florentine and her Council. After carefully weighing all the factors involved, we knew that we could not expand THE MISSIONARY CATECHIST without a decided increase in personnel. And this could not be done without calling in sisters from important positions in the mission field. Rather than curtail the work of the apostolate we chose to discontinue publishing our magazine.

Time and again we have remarked how far-sighted was our Founder, the late Father Sigstein. Father envisioned a community of women who would be modern in every sense of the word: in dress, in mode of transportation, in the apostolate.

In line with Father's avant garde thinking, he established a magazine to make known the work of the new community. The first issue was dated December, 1924 and the sub-

scribers were those who had answered the appeal of *Our Sunday Visitor* for funds to finance the new motherhouse at Huntington. Bishop Noll, founding editor of *Our Sunday Visitor*, offered a year's subscription to THE MISSIONARY CATECHIST, to all who sent a donation for Victory Noll.

Through the years THE MISSIONARY CATECHIST has considered itself a part of *Our Sunday Visitor* "family." Until 1938 our magazine was printed at OSV plant. Since then we have done our own printing, but we continued to have the type set at OSV. From the very beginning we received invaluable help and cooperation from *Our Sunday Visitor*. After Bishop Noll's death in 1956, the same generous tradition was continued by the present editor, the Rt. Rev. Msgr. Joseph R. Crowley. It is a pleasure to acknowledge our tremendous debt to *Our Sunday Visitor* in this last issue of our magazine.

We feel sure that you will not forget our community in your prayers and in your charity. We will always think of you as our friends and benefactors and we beg God to bless you generously.

# Parent's Privilege

by SISTER MARY JOAN

MORE AND MORE are parents being reminded that it is their task and their privilege to prepare their own children for their first Communion. Parents are willing, but to carry the project through there must be cooperation between pastor, parents, and catechists.

In St. Joseph's parish, Ogden, Utah, this cooperation was achieved for the 104 children who were admitted to the Eu-



Christine Feenstra and mother study together.

Roseann Chavez's mother shows her the confessional.



charist for the first time. Monsignor Patrick Kennedy, pastor of St. Joseph's, and Father Gerard Trageser, our CCD director, worked untiringly to bring the whole project to a successful conclusion.

First we sent a letter to the home of each child explaining the procedure we would follow. Parents are eager to do their part when they understand what is expected of them.

Very soon a new enthusiasm was apparent. Children were

Mrs. Medina and Eddie, Mr. Orozco and Phyllis, Mrs. Garcia and Billy wait outside Father's office to be examined. Billy is doing some last minute cramming.



Father Trageser makes sure that Brian Kaspari is ready to make his First Communion. Mother and sister Karen are interested observers.



informing their teachers that they had seen the confessional. Mom or dad had showed it to them!

Monsignor Kennedy decided that, whether Catholic or not, both parents were to be included in the plans, especially when it came time for the children actually to receive Holy Com-

**With Mother backing her, Roseann confidently goes into the confessional.**



**Mrs. Valencia, CCD Helper, took care of veils and other accessories. Sister Mary Joan suggests that Maria Martinez remove her coat for a better effect.**



**"Body of Christ," says Monsignor Kennedy, pastor of St. Joseph Church, Ogden. Rudy Martinez answers "Amen" and receives the sacred Bread.**

munion. The parents accompanied their child into the sanctuary, stood behind him to witness the sacred moment, and then escorted him to his place. Later the parents who wished to receive, joined the other parishioners at the communion rail.

It is rare now to see any of these little ones come to Holy Communion alone. Parents are showing themselves solicitous for the spiritual welfare of their children. No one is going to take away from them the privilege and responsibility that are theirs.

# In the Home Field

Although this story might be a bit unseasonal right now, we still think it is a good one.

Before class I asked, "Whom should we pray for today?"

"The Cardinals," replied a boy.

"That is a wonderful intention," I said. "The Holy Father has asked children to pray in a special way for the success of the Council. And our own Cardinal Ritter is in Rome with all the other cardinals and bishops from all over the world."

But apparently we were not on the same track, for the boy added, "Yeah, they need a lot of prayers. They're two games from the top."

SISTER RUTH

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## BOBBY'S PROBLEM

Every sister has had someone approach her with the words "Sister, I have a problem," but the person who says such a thing is not usually a second grade boy.

The concerned look on the child's upturned face told me that indeed he must have a problem.

"What is your problem, Bobby?" I inquired solicitously.

"Well, the reason I'm asking you is that I think you are the only one who can help me. I was teaching my little brother how to say the Hail Mary and he was not doing so well. I promised him a prize if he would learn it. Well, now he knows it and I don't have a prize. Can you give me a prize that I can give him?"

SISTER MARJORIE

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A Bible Service is an excellent form of worship for Confraternity classes. These boys are students of the Parish High School of Religion in Solvang, California. Sister Rita Therese, their instructor, introduced them to the Bible Service, now a popular form of devotion.

## RING THE BELL!

"*Sonar a la campana! Las Madrecitas!*" (Ring the bell; the sisters are here) is the call we hear as we drive up to the dining hall in the labor camp for evening Mass.

The men are usually very tired after working all day in the melon fields. Nevertheless they hurry out to unload the car and help set up the things for Mass.

Though the padre does not yet know Spanish, he bravely reads the Holy Gospel in that language. The braceros appreciate his humble effort and there is not even a hint of a smile as they listen to Spanish pronounced like Latin and flavored with a touch of Irish brogue.

Joyfully the men sing their well-known Spanish hymns with us. The more verses there are, the better they like it.

After Mass we talk to the men and distribute Spanish magazines and papers. The foreman told us that the men read these and pass them around until they are in shreds.

So grateful are the braceros for the little we do for them that they want to share with us anything they have. While we



Mother Florentine, our superior general, happened to be visiting our sisters in Brigham City, Utah, when Henry Tsosie, student at Intermountain Indian School, made his first communion. It was Mother's privilege to give Henry his certificate. His friend, John Chee Edison, looks on. Victory Noll sisters teach religion to the Catholic students at Intermountain, largest of the off-reservation boarding schools for Navaho boys and girls.

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are packing the Mass vestments someone goes to the kitchen and returns with tortillas and orange juice. Then they see us off, reminding us to be sure to return for their weekly Mass.

SISTER LAURENE



Sister Anna Margaret, Mrs. Rose Escalada, CDA regent, and Mrs. Emilia Oliver, CCD assistant chairman of teachers, admire the new tablet arms installed on the folding chairs used for the Sacred Heart Parish School of Religion, Nogales, Arizona.

## *CDA Helps CCD*

by SISTER ANNA MARGARET

*Not the least of the problems confronting CCD classes is that of finding suitable places in which to teach. Sister Anna Margaret writes of the practical help given by the Catholic Daughters of America in Nogales, Arizona.*

THE SECOND grade boy stopped at the doorway in astonishment. "Boy, it's beautiful!" he exclaimed.

A high school student commented, "How neat!" Then she thoughtfully added, "How did we pay for these?"

The great stir was over the tablet arms attached to the folding chairs in the five rooms used for the Sacred Heart Parish School of Religion in Nogales, Arizona.

Teachers from the other areas of the city where we have catechetical centers have reason to be envious. The necessity of seating children on backless benches in garages, storage rooms, and porches multiplies problems for even the best of Confraternity teachers. We are grateful that four such centers have been made comfortable for the winter months through the purchase of kerosene heaters.

It is to the Nogales Catholic Daughters of America that we owe these improvements. These women sponsor monthly Mexican dinners and set aside part of the proceeds for the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine. Their generous spirit is certainly commendable. Besides providing for the desk chairs, heaters, etc., they pay the yearly rent on the Boy Scout building

which we use twice weekly for Confraternity classes in one section of Nogales.

As every teacher knows, any improvement in the physical surroundings of our schools of religion has far-reaching effects. The first Saturday after the tablet arms were installed, one of the teachers said to me after her two-hour session: "Sister, the children were so good today. Those desks are miraculous!"



Sister Rose Anita lights the kerosene stove in "St. Martin's Cabin," a catechetical center in Nogales.



The boys and girls pause to put their hosts into the ciborium.

## *Food for Soul and Body*

by ANITA ROGALLA

EDDIE'S KNEE, injured some time before, was becoming increasingly painful and required that he be hospitalized. Not only did this pose a physical problem, but—well, anyone with a strong, energetic, athletic son can imagine what our family was facing.

The answer, as always, was found in prayer. My husband

and I began to assist at daily Mass. Our faith and our prayers were rewarded, for it was not long before Eddie returned home from the hospital. He now joined us every Wednesday to thank God for all our countless blessings.

It was then that we got the idea of asking other teenagers to join us. Transportation prob-



**When Father Gallagher, pastor of St. Philip's church, Reed City, Mich., celebrates the Eucharist, his people are aware that they are co-officers with their priest.**

lems made it difficult for them to come to Mass during the week, but if we invited them to our home for a quick breakfast, they could manage. Very soon our mid-week group numbered twenty high schoolers. Before long we had offers from friends

for assistance in serving breakfast and for cars.

It was a rewarding experience for all of us to gather around the Eucharistic table with these young people who will be our parish leaders of the future.



**Breakfast-agape at the Rogalla home.**

# *Around Victory Noll*

ON AUGUST 5, feast of Our Lady of the Snow, we had profession of vows and reception Around Victory Noll, with Bishop Pursley presiding. The following sisters took part in the ceremonies:

## FINAL VOWS

Sister Jane Therese Thill  
Fayette, Michigan

Sister Chrysostom Deliman  
Perth Amboy, N.J.

Sister Karen Knecht  
Louisville, Ky.

Sister Corinne Cook  
Rochester, N.Y.

Sister Michael Marie Laux  
Mullica Hill, N.J.

Sister Georgianna Baca  
Albuquerque, N.Mex.

Sister Joseph Adele Halbach  
Primghar, Iowa

Sister Clement Marzen  
Stacyville, Iowa

Sister DeMontfort Garcia  
LaJunta, Colo.

## FIRST VOWS

Sister Gloria Jaramillo  
Albuquerque, N.Mex.

Sister Philip Chavez  
Los Angeles, Calif.

Sister Rita Marcel Dunn  
St. Johnsbury, Vt.

Sister Magdalena Macias  
El Paso, Texas

Sister John Mary Moffitt  
Chicago, Ill.

Sister Helen Margaret Veneskey  
Carrolltown, Pa.

Sister Helen Paul Meyers  
Chicago, Ill.

## NOVICES

Sister John Carol  
(Rosemary Hart)  
Fairborn, Ohio

Sister John Therese  
(Helen Rodriguez)  
San Bernardino, Calif.

Sister Phyllis  
(Phyllis Radle)  
Flushing, Ohio

Sister Ann Jude  
(Rhea Besson)  
Brampton, Mich.

Sister Michael Ann  
(Rosalie Mollica)  
Milwaukee, Wis.

Sister Paul Joseph  
(Mary Jo Gretsinger)  
Upland, Calif.

Sister Dawn Marie  
(Dawn DeVoe)  
Jacksonville, Fla.

Sister Anne Kevin  
(Anne Funcheon)  
Lafayette, Ind.

Sister Rose Therese  
(Rosemary Babin)  
Monroe, Mich.

## BOOKS

In this last issue of our magazine we are publishing short notices of a number of books rather than more detailed reviews of but a few. The following are published by Herder and Herder Book Center, New York.

*Beyond the Commandments* by James J. Killgallon and Gerard P. Weber. \$3.95

Some years ago we recommended in these pages the catechism for adults, *Life in Christ*, co-authored by Father Killgallon and Father Weber. They have collaborated again on this well-named book which shows the mature Catholic how much more is expected of him than keeping the letter of the Commandments.

*Peace on Earth. A Commentary on Pope John's Encyclical* by Peter Riga. Foreword by Cardinal Suenens. \$4.95

This is an excellent guide to understanding an important encyclical.

*Come Let Us Eat* by Sister Mary Charles, O.S.B. 95 cents.

*First Communion. A Parent-Teacher Manual for "Come Let Us Eat."* \$1.75

Elsewhere in this magazine is a description in pictures and text of a first Communion in

which the parents helped prepare their children. It should encourage others to do likewise. Sister Mary Charles' textbooks tell how to do it.

*New Testament Theology Today* by Rudolf Schnackenburg. \$2.95

Father Schnackenburg's survey is especially valuable for the non-biblical scholar because it is not too technical. The author covers the synoptics, St. John, St. Paul, and — more briefly—the other works of the New Testament. Not the least of its features is its extensive bibliography although French and German publications exceed those in English.

*The Prayer of All Things* by Pierre Charles. \$3.95

This might be sub-titled "Seeing God in All Things," for that is what the author seems to have had in mind — praising God in his creatures. The book could only have been written after years of contemplation.

*Praying With Christ* by Heinz Schurmann. \$3.50

These reflections on the Our Father are based on Sacred Scripture, for this prayer can only be understood in the light of Christ's teaching.

*The Interior Fountain* by Michael Day, Cong. Orat. \$1.75

Here is still another book of prayerful thoughts, a real gem. Sub-titled "Reflections on the Christian Life," its theme is the life we enjoy here on earth as sons with the Son. We recommend it especially as an aid to meditation. The chapters are brief but meaningful. Each concludes with a reflection on Our Blessed Mother.

*Pastoral Catechetics* by Johannes Hofinger, S.J., and Theodore C. Stone. \$4.95

The editors, in planning this book, divide it into three parts: God Meets Man, Man Meets God in Faith, and Transmission of God's Message. Contributors such as Father Cooke, Father Sloyan, Father Nebreda, Father Sneed, Father Greeley, Father Norris, Mr. Reedy, and others, all experts in the field of theology, liturgy, scripture, and catechetics, provide fare not only rich but practical.

*Kingdom of Heaven* by Augustine Stock, O.S.B. \$3.95

Father Stock has the gift of explaining profound themes in a way that anyone can understand. He demonstrated this in his former book, *Lamb of God*, which treated of the key themes of the Bible. With the same facility Father writes now of the holy Gospel. His work is at the same time scholarly, for he brings to it the latest biblical research.

*The Epistle to the Romans* by Karl Hermann Schelkle. Theological Meditations. Foreword by Roland E. Murphy, O. Carm. \$4.95

This commentary follows literally the most important of the Pauline Epistles. One excellent feature here is that the text that is explained and commented upon is first set forth in full, making it unnecessary for the reader to use his Bible when he is reading the book. The Lilly-Kleist translation of the New Testament is followed.

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*Best of Both Worlds. A Guide to Holiness in the Suburbs* by Bernard Basset, S.J. Academy Guild Press, Fresno, Calif. \$3.75

Those of us who laughed our way through Father Basset's *We Neurotics* and *Priest in the Piazza* will need no urging to read *Best of Both Worlds*. Here is the same delightful humor combined with common sense, worldly wisdom, and the spirituality necessary for life today not only in the suburbs but in the cities and highways—wherever the people of God are on pilgrimage to a better world.

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*Saint in the Wilderness* by Glenn Kittler. Doubleday. \$3.95

Glenn Kittler's name as author is enough to insure the excellence of this life of St. Isaac Jogues and his fellow martyrs.

Though told in a novelized form, the story follows closely authentic biographies of the North American Martyrs.

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Do you know that the Parent-Educator Leaflets published by the National Office of the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine are available in *Spanish*? The entire series, translated by *Sister Mary Eileen of Victory Noll*, may be obtained from Confraternity Publications, 508 Marshall St., Paterson, N. J.

We hear much today of responsible parenthood. The term has come to mean various things. Rightly it means that parents have the duty and privilege of leading their little ones to God. Helping their children to grow in the love of God is

the purpose of the Parent-Educator section of the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine.

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*The Mysticism of Obedience* by Bernard Leeming, S.J. \$2.00 cloth; \$1.00 paper.

*Directives to Lay Apostles.* \$4.00 cloth; \$3.00 paper.

Both of these books are published by the Daughters of St. Paul, Jamaica Plain, Mass. The first is a fine treatise on religious obedience which originally appeared in *Review for Religious*. *Directives to Lay Apostles* is another of the papal directives series first published by the monks of Solesmes. The present volume, translated by Mother E. O'Gorman, R.S.C.J., contains directives given by Pope Pius XII.

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## In Memoriam

Mrs. Marie Hitzler, LaCrosse, Wis.,  
mother of Sister Anna  
Joseph Niehaus, Cincinnati, father of  
Sister Mary Cecilia  
Mrs. Anna Schene, St. Louis,  
mother of Sister Jacinta  
Joseph A. Zapf, Rochester, N.Y.,  
father of Sister Loretta Ann  
John A. Lewandowski, Milwaukee,  
Wis., father of Sister Constance  
Mrs. Juanita Martinez, Tierra  
Amarilla, N.M., sister of Sister Rita  
Most Rev. Edward P. McManaman,  
D.D., Auxiliary Bishop of Erie  
Rt. Rev. Msgr. Felix T. Seroczynski,  
Muncie, Ind.  
Rt. Rev. Msgr. John F. Nadolny,  
Ft. Wayne  
Rev. Joseph M. Lelen, Glendale, Ohio  
Sister Ernestine, Cincinnati

Sister M. Albertina, Grand Rapids  
Sister M. Emmanuel, Grand Rapids  
Sister M. Nolasco, Grand Rapids  
Theresa Held, ACM, Fort Wayne  
Mrs. Lillian Schele, ACM, Ft. Wayne  
Daniel Herzog, Huntington, Ind.  
Mrs. Virginia Martin, Huntington, Ind.  
Mrs. Ann M. Knop, Huntington, Ind.  
Mrs. Mary Rzetelny, Gary, Ind.  
Wilber Reiter, LaPorte, Ind.  
Mrs. Rita McCann, Spencer, Ind.  
Mrs. Mary Detzel, Norwood, Ohio  
Leona C. Prippe, Cincinnati  
Anton Stukel, St. Paul, Minn.  
Mrs. Mary K. Stupfel, St. Paul, Ore.  
Mary Ellen Madden, Marshall, Ill.  
Stanley J.C. Despres, Grand Rapids  
Harry Albertson, Columbus, Kans.  
Catherine Maynard, New London,  
Conn.

## Editor's By-Line

As we left the hall after one of the sessions of the Liturgical Week, I found myself in the company of an Anglican bishop. We exchanged pleasantries and then, in one of those strange quirks of conversation we all experience now and then, we discovered that our fathers had worked for the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad.

Railroaders—even second or third generation railroaders—are a clanish lot, especially when the railroad is the time-honored B and O. The bishop (who, incidentally, looked more like a bishop than most of ours did; his ring and pectoral cross were much in evidence) knew exactly what time the National Limited went through my home town. And hadn't he even been a passenger once in the cab of the Capitol Limited?

All this was enough to establish a bond between us, but a still greater bond was already there. We had worshiped together, and a spirit of fellowship—the *koinonia* of which St. Paul writes—was the result.

This fellowship was felt not just by my new friend, the Anglican bishop, but by all the other "observers," the clergymen of other communions. The ecumenical atmosphere was much in evidence throughout the Week. Anglicans, Presbyterians, Methodists, all must

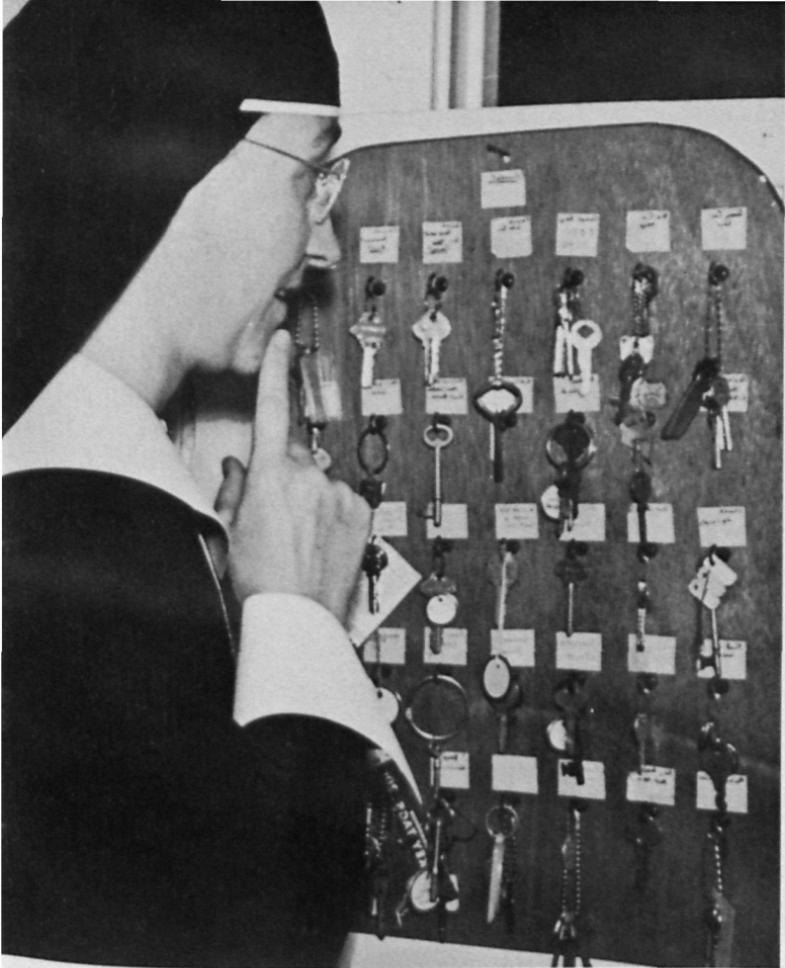
have felt very much at home as they joined us in worship. It was not just the English language that contributed to this, but the emphasis on the Word of God, an emphasis that we Catholics have neglected until recent years.

With our fellow-Christians we said the Our Father together. We sang together, and though our observer friends could not receive the Eucharist with us, we were joined with them in spirit as we ourselves received the Bread of Life — bread that looked like bread, bread that we could really eat, not the white, thin wafers most of us are used to.

Every Eucharistic Celebration should increase in us this bond of fellowship, charity and unity being the result. When the Eucharist is celebrated as perfectly as possible, it is very easy to feel our oneness, our unity with one another.

The Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy (Article 10) refers to this when it says that "the renewal in the Eucharist of the covenant between the Lord and man draws the faithful into the compelling love of Christ and sets them on fire."

Surely then, to attain so great an end, we must make every effort to develop sincere, meaningful participation in sacred worship, celebrating here below the liturgy we will celebrate with Christ our High Priest for all eternity in heaven. SEA



Sister Jacquelyn puzzles over a new kind of key board. In every convent of Our Lady of Victory Missionary Sisters keys are very important. When it is a large convent, the number of keys can be fantastic. Besides house and car keys, there are keys to the various churches and catechetical centers. You can be very sure that besides the keys on the board before her, Sister Jacquelyn has some in her pocket that she must have access to all the time.

The just shall be  
in everlasting  
remembrance

PSALM CXI, 7