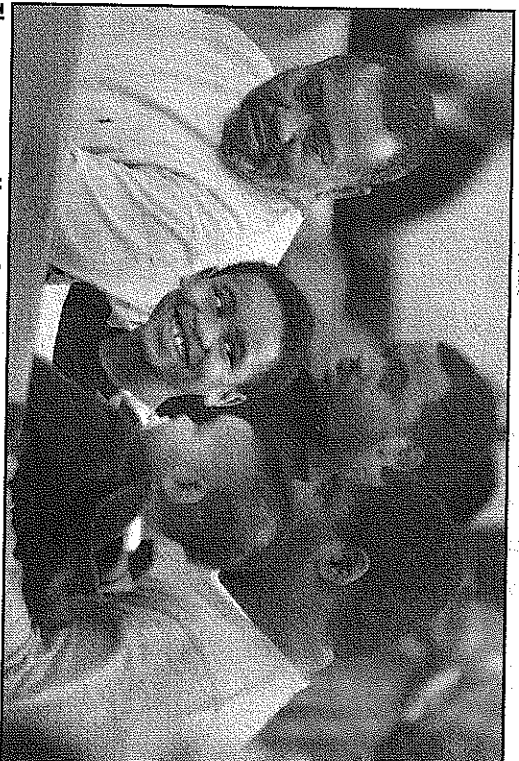


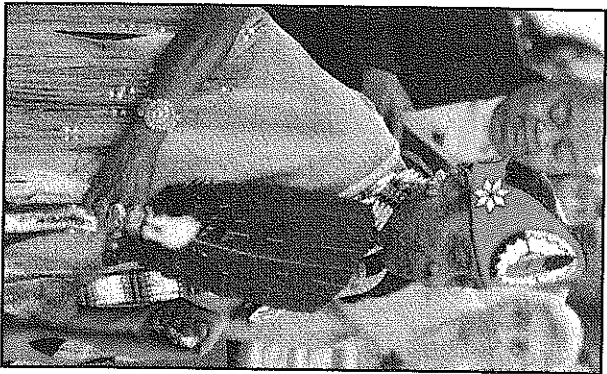
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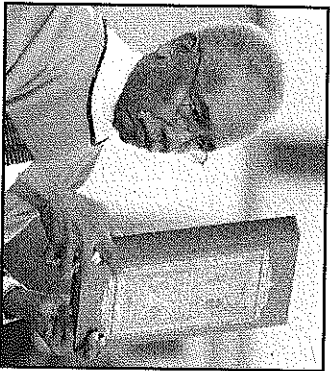
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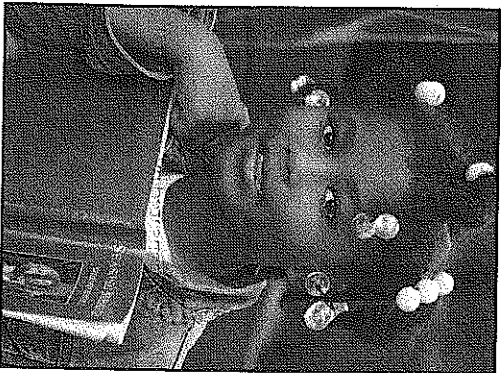
Three generations of Hanton men attend the 10 a.m. Mass — from left, William, Jalen, Bryce (baby) and Ricardo.



Chief Buffy Red Feather Brown of the Southeastern Cherokee Confederacy of Pennsylvania joins the entrance procession of a Mass for Native Americans' commemorating Blessed Kateri Tekawitha Oct. 17 at St. Therese of the Child Jesus Church in the Mount Airy section of Philadelphia. Blessed Kateri is the first Native American to be beatified.



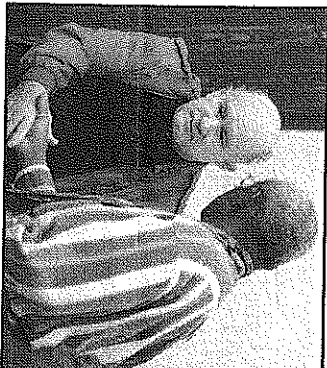
Deacon Edward M. Purnell processes into Mass.



Jenna Wilson prays along during the Mass.



Msgr. David Benz, pastor of St. Therese of the Child Jesus Parish, gives the homily in front of a picture of Blessed Kateri Tekawitha.



Bob Harvey (left), a St. Therese parishioner of 76 years, offers a sign of peace to Frank Sistrunk.



Peppi Eagle Wing Heighsmith wears traditional Native American dress during the Oct. 17 Mass.



From left, Donna Day Star Blunt, Wanda Autumn Sky Jordan and Levy Fyving Eagle Newell pray during Mass.

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