



AN event of interest and importance during the past month was the Missionary Exhibition which visited our centre and by means of talks, films and exhibits gave a comprehensive picture of the work of the Church in other parts of the world. The Exhibition is visiting 17 centres in the Diocese and at the time of writing these notes it is very gratifying to know that at our own centre the attendance and sale of booklets represents a higher average than any other. This undoubtedly is due to the careful preliminary work which was done by a most willing band of helpers. The Secretary of the Diocesan Missionary Council has written expressing the great appreciation of the Diocesan Council for what was done here including those who were so very helpful on the day itself.

As a Parish we have not shown great interest in overseas work in the past but perhaps the Exhibition will have stirred greater interest and enthusiasm in order that others may share in the many blessings which the Gospel has given to us.

It is undoubtedly a fact that nothing can arrest the lawlessness which is apparent in many parts of the world except the message of the Gospel.

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THE Coronation is of course already taking a leading place in the minds of everyone and it should not be necessary to say that this is first and foremost a deeply religious ceremony to which all the pomp and pageantry is rightly incidental. For the young Queen herself it is to be by far the most sacred moment of her life and this is a point which we should have in mind amid all the rejoicing and entertaining which will be evident on Coronation Day. The Archbishops have agreed that Sunday, May 31st shall be the day of special thanksgiving in our Parish churches throughout this country and the Dominions and, needless to say, all the services in our own Parish Church will be of a special significance.

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ADVENT Sunday is on November 30th and this marks the beginning of a new Church year. We are accustomed to make all sorts of good resolutions on January 1st which is the beginning of the secular year—may not something of this kind also be associated with the Church's New Year?

On this day we start a new session of the Children's Services which are held each Sunday at 2.30 in the Parish Church and to which all children are welcome. It is on this day that new albums and stamps are issued and so we ask not only for full attendance of those already on the register but also any newcomers. These services

have been continued for a number of years and the average attendance has been maintained at a remarkably high level. It would however be so much more encouraging for the children if more parents would attend the usual Sunday services and bring the children with them.

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**T**HE Sunday School at S. Nicholas is also held each Sunday at 2.30 and Mrs. and Miss Sheppard will be glad to welcome newcomers.

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**W**E have received the architect's report on S. Nicholas' tower and it is obvious that a considerable sum will be required to make it safe and sound. We shall say more about this later.

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### Register

#### Burial.

Oct. 2nd. John Joyce, aged 77 years.

At Winterbourne Kingston. Cissie Longdon, aged 52 years.