

NOVEMBER



OR an unavoidable reason our Magazine issue has become a month late so we hope that this double number will put things right.

May we begin with a reminder that Advent Sunday falls on November 29th and this is the Church's New Year's Day. Advent is the short period of preparation for the great Festival of Christmas, but for the moment let us consider it from another point of view. At the beginning of any New Year we look back on the one which has ended and we see many things which we regret and at the same time much for which we have to thank God and our fellow men.

In the great outer world we see staggering things done in the realm of science, speed and discovery, and now must be added space—have we any reason to be pleased or are we made one scrap happier by recent discoveries of the surface of the moon? Pleasure and happiness are spiritual matters and can be quite independent of scientific discovery. The foundation of true life consists of Goodness, Truth and Beauty, and that is what men and women have proved throughout the ages and what the Christian Church has endeavoured to teach and uphold by interpreting God's Will for man as revealed in the life and teaching of Our Lord. A recognition of this fact convinces us that we are members of the great fellowship which we call the Christian Church, and fellowship implies doing something together. So may our Advent mark a revival of worship together week by week and so witness to our belief in the power of spiritual things, and not allow scientific discovery to dominate our lives to the exclusion of better things.

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ADVENT SUNDAY also marks the beginning of another year in Sunday School activity and attendance at the Children's Service. Here we must depend on the cooperation of parents. S. Nicholas Sunday School meets at 2.30 and the Children's Service at the Parish Church is at the same time. New Registers come into operation on that day and we do ask parents to see that children come regularly.

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Holy Baptism.

November 1st. Paula, daughter of Stanley James and Gwendoline Mary Endacott.

November 1st. Linzi Elizabeth, daughter of Kenneth George and Pearl Elizabeth Standfield.