

PASTORAL LETTER FROM THE MOST REV. THE ARCHBISHOP
OF SYDNEY.

St. Andrew's-Tide Missionary Intercessions

To all members of the Church :

Thursday, November 29th, the Eve of St. Andrew's Day, has been set apart as a Day of Intercession for missionary work. There will be a celebration of the Holy Communion in St. Andrew's Cathedral at 7.45 a.m., with continuous intercession from 10 a.m. to 5.30 p.m.

This day of United Intercession for missionary work is now observed throughout our Anglican Communion at St. Andrew's-tide. To me personally, from boyhood, it has meant much, for I received my own call one St. Andrew's Day in Canterbury Cathedral, as a result of the intercessions which were being offered.

At the present time we need to pray for the young Churches in every land, which are faced with such great opportunities, and with so many problems, that they may be strengthened and encouraged by the intercessions and understanding sympathy of their fellow-churchmen throughout the world.

Missionary workers are dependent on our intercessions, if they are to carry on their work with spiritual efficiency. More recruits are greatly needed if we are to seize the opportunities which are ours to-day for presenting the Gospel. More funds are needed to carry on the work.

Our own diocesan life will be immeasurably strengthened if we have the vision of a world-wide Church constantly before our minds and in our hearts.

I trust, therefore, that this Day of Intercession in this Mother Diocese of Sydney will be attended by large numbers of our Church members, each one feeling an obligation to share in this vital ministry of intercession, bringing blessing on themselves and on the whole Church throughout the world.

Believe me,

Yours very sincerely,

HOWARD SYDNEY.