

"Your Bishop needs Prayers. His Diocese is to him what a parish is to its rector. He has many important decisions to make, and his mistakes involve the interests of the Diocese. He is necessarily some times, brought into delicate and painful relations towards a Clergyman and his people, and he has not that full intercourse with them, that will heal any feelings that may be aroused. He has to undertake long journeyings, and now and then he finds himself in uncongenial situations. He has perplexities, disappointments, heavy burdens, of responsibility to bear. He needs therefore your prayers: will you then not pray for him? Surely you will."

A PRAYER FOR THE BISHOP.

"Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, who hast purchased to Thyself an universal Church, by the precious blood of Thy dear Son, mercifully look upon the same; and especially so guide and govern Thy servant, the Bishop of this Diocese, and adorn him with innocence of life, that he may faithfully serve Thee in his Office, to the glory of Thy Name, and the edifying and well governing of Thy Church, through the merits of the same, Thy Son, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end.—Amen.

Day of Intercession for God's Blessing upon Foreign Missions.

A good many years ago now, when there was a sad dearth of men willing to go forth and carry the glorious Message of Salvation to all lands, it was very wisely agreed by the great Missionary Societies, the S. P. G., and the C. M. S., with the sanction and recommendation of the Archbishop of Canterbury, that each year there should be a day set apart for special intercession. And the plan seemed to bring at once most marvellous fruit, so much so, that ever since there has always been an ample supply of holy men and women, ready to go forth and to give up all for Christ's sake.

The Bishops of Canada, from the very beginning, entered warmly into the idea, and our present Bishop, who, has for twenty-five years been accustomed to help his people to a suitable observance, is very anxious that throughout the Diocese of

Quebec, there should be, not in a few, but in all our Churches this special intercession. The time chosen should be the Eve of S. Andrew, i. e., Friday, November 29th, or any day within a week of the Festival of S. Andrew. Thus, if it is not practicable to appoint a week-day, the following Prayers, taken from a Service authorized by the Bishops of Canada in 1872, may be said either on the twenty-fourth Sunday after Trinity or on Advent Sunday, or they should be said on some week-day within a week of S. Andrew's Day.

AUTHORIZED PRAYERS.

Immediately after the General Confession at Morning and Evening Prayer.

O Lord, thou hast commanded us to preach thy gospel to every creature. But we have been backward in obeying thee. We confess that we have been wanting in zeal for thy glory, and the salvation of our fellowmen. We have felt too little concern about the souls of others. And now, O Lord, we desire to humble ourselves before thee for this our sin. Pardon us, we beseech thee, in thy great mercy. Give us grace to be more faithful in time to come. And do thou stir up within us a more earnest desire for the salvation of souls; for his sake who hath bought us with his own blood, even Jesus Christ, our Saviour. Amen.

After the third Collect, instead of the Litany or the Prayers usually said at Morning and Evening Prayer.

O Merciful God, let thine especial blessing rest upon this Diocese, in which thou hast cast our lot, and upon all the Congregations within its bounds. Bless thy servant the Bishop, and those who minister among us. Bless also the members of thy Church, and daily increase their number. Make us sound in the faith, and holy in our lives. Pour out more largely upon us the gifts of thy Holy Spirit. Revive thy work in the midst of us. Awaken the careless; arouse the impenitent; and lead many souls to Christ. Build up thy people in thy most holy faith.

We ask thee more especially to look with favour upon this Parish. Breathe into our souls the breath of life. Make us, as a people, to be more earnest, more holy, more heavenly-minded. Grant that a spirit of harmony and good-will may ever prevail among us. May we live together in brotherly peace and concord, and show