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## THE CORONATION

One of the uses of the Magazine is as a record of national and local events, as they affect Grasmere. Some day a future Rector, after reading the official programme of Grasmere's Coronation Celebrations, will turn to the file of this Magazine to discover in more detail what happened.

The first thing to be recorded is that there was, here as everywhere, a most remarkable spirit of loyal good will. The British people do not often show their feelings, and they have passed through many "deep waters" since the last Coronation in 1937. There was no mistaking the genuine depth of their love for, and pride in, their Queen, nor their awareness that this occasion was something in the nature of a national dedication.

The principal church services, here as elsewhere, were held on the preceding Sunday, but there was a very good attendance of Communicants on Coronation Day at the early service, and both the Rectory Room and the School were filled to capacity at 10-15 a.m. to see the Procession and Coronation Service in Westminster Abbey by television,—for the first time in history! This was made possible by the very generous offer of Mr A. E. Anthony to put himself and his equipment entirely at our service that day. Private owners of television sets (only about a dozen in 1953!) also kindly invited friends and neighbours to their homes.

The strictly local celebrations began with a short Act of Thanksgiving in Church at 2 o'clock, and immediately afterwards, two of Grasmere's oldest residents, Mr. Robert Peel and Mr. Penny Peel, planted a tree (a flowering cherry) in the churchyard, near the south-east corner of the church between the main path and the river.

Thereafter the proceedings went according to plan, roughly until tea-time, when the weather (never very promising) began to deteriorate and the procession of illuminated boats on the lake had to be postponed for a few days. The Beacon Fire on Silver How, in spite of driving rain and half a gale, was lit and seen for miles around.

A strong and very representative Coronation committee, under the chairmanship of Sir Robert Ewbank, is to be congratulated on the excellence of the arrangements made, and not least upon the quality of the tea provided for young and old alike in the Hall. The memory of the Coronation will long remain a very happy one. Long live Queen Elizabeth!

### THREE YEARS' ACTION.

It is good to be able to record that, in a little over one year, our three years' task has been completed. Our aim was £525 : we got, largely owing to the extraordinary success of the Sale of Work, £582 to send to the Bishop for the six new churches that are being built in new housing estates in the diocese. The church treasurer has sent in the following short statement of accounts for publication, and asks that one more name, Mrs. Lamb, should be added to the list of subscribers which appeared in the April Magazine.

## RECEIPTS

Subscriptions ...	295	6	5
Coffee Morning ...	25	0	0
Sale of Work ...	272	6	11
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	£592	13	4

## EXPENDITURE

Bank Commission	15	0
Expenses: Print- ing, Hire of Hall, etc. ....	9	16 0
Remitted to Dio- cesan Board of Finance ...	582	2 4
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	£592	13 4

### RAINFALL.

4.23 inches of Rain fell on 15 days in May.

### WOMEN'S OFFERING, 1953.

The Service at which the Women's offering will be made will be held in Kendal Parish Church on Wednesday, 22nd July, at 3 p.m. In spite of the distance, it is hoped that as many members as possible will try to go.

### LAURANCE TURNER.

The Laurance Turner String Quartette will play music in Church on Tuesday, 16th June, at 8-15 p.m. Owing to the heavy expenses involved, admission has to be by programme, price 2/6 which may be bought in advance from Messrs. Sam Read. It is hoped that music lovers in Grasmere will give their full support to this event, which we should like to think is now establishing itself as an annual one.

### S.C.M. AND S.P.C.K.

The collections in Church on Sunday, 5th July, will be divided between the Student Christian Movement and the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge—two of our most active and valuable church societies which need and deserve our best support. The Rev. W. J. Bucks, Vicar of St. Matthew's, Barrow, will preach at 10-30 a.m. for the S.C.M.

### BAPTISMS.

28 April—Alice Julia Baillie.

30 April—Joseph Clarkson.

### BURIALS.

29 April—Mathilde Marie Heaton Cooper, aged 90. (Buried at Ambleside).

6 May—Annie Thexton, aged 62.

### CHURCH COLLECTIONS—MAY.

3.	£ 8	6	6.	Church Expenses.
10.	£ 7	0	6.	„
14.	£ 2	1	7.	U.M.C.A.
15.	£ 9	8	11.	Church Expenses.
24.	£21	4	2.	Diocesan Quota.
31.	£18	13	7.	Training for Ministry and Quota.

# Carlisle Diocesan News

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JUNE, 1953.

FROM THE BISHOP.

MY DEAR PEOPLE,

This letter will be published on the day before the Coronation, and by the time many of you read it, June 2nd will be a notable day in the history of our Nation and Commonwealth. The day will remain associated with all kinds of sentiments, emotions and experiences as we remember our young Queen going forth to her following and crowning with the prayers of her faithful people in many lands being offered to Almighty God for His Blessing upon her.

As the service of Coronation slips daily further into the past there is one bit of symbolism that I would like all Christian men and women to remember vividly. One of the regalia presented to the Queen in the service is the Golden Orb surmounted by a Cross. It is delivered into her hands with these words—"When you see this Orb thus set under the Cross, remember that the whole world is subject to the Power and Empire of Christ our Redeemer."

Here is declared what should be the clear vision of a Christian Nation. Here is declared what is the true purpose of the Christian Church—making the vision come true of "the whole world subject to the Power and Empire of Christ our Redeemer."

Will you try to keep that vision clearly before you as members of the Church of Christ. ?

After the Orb with the Cross is presented to the Queen, she hands it back to be replaced upon the Altar, and it is after this that the Crown is taken from the Altar and placed upon the Queen's head.

The symbolism speaks for itself and points the way.

It would be the beginning of a new age for our land, and may be for the world, if more of our people would shake themselves free from slothful indifference to the claims of Jesus Christ and see the vision of the world surmounted by the Cross.

In every parish let the faithful take new hope and fresh courage to make the vision come true in their midst. A special responsibility and privilege is ours as members of the historic Church of this land—the Church of England.

The ceremony of the Coronation is placed in the setting of the service of Holy Communion in our Book of Common Prayer. It is essentially the same service of Coronation for the past one thousand years. The service of Holy Communion is essentially the same as in your own parish church, and in all churches of the Anglican Communion throughout the world; it is the service instituted by Our Lord Himself.

The vision of the world under the sway of the Cross is inspiring but it is far distant. Let us see and cherish the vision. but let us be practical by seeing that bit of the world—Britain—still more practical—our parish—under the sway of the Cross, and by living to make it a reality. That is where you come in individually and personally. Only as your own life comes under the power of the Cross can you serve the King of Kings. Only as we give ourselves in love and loyalty to Him and dedicate ourselves in the setting of the service He instituted can we begin to make the vision come true.

It all depends on you and me, and we depend on Him.

Yours sincerely,

*Thomas Carlhol*

### WOMEN'S OFFERING SERVICES

PENRITH ST. ANDREW . . . . . June 23rd at 2-30 p.m.  
 Preacher . . . . . The Archdeacon of Westmorland  
 BARROW ST. GEORGE . . . . . June 29th at 2-45 p.m.  
 Preacher . . . . . The Rev. Canon A. S. Picton,  
*Vicar of Holy Trinity, Preston.*  
 KENDAL PARISH CHURCH . . . . . July 22nd at 3 p.m.  
 Preacher . . . . . The Lord Bishop of the Diocese.

### THE BELLS

Hark! The pealing of the bells  
 Sunday bells!  
 What a message from their music sinks  
 and swells!  
 On the Lord's own holy day,  
 With their changes, rising, falling,  
 To the faithful they are calling,  
 "Come and pray!"  
 Pay attention to the summons that is  
 sounded by the bells,  
 By the swingidg and the ringing of tee  
 bells.  
 Hear the challenge of the bells—Tune-  
 ful bells!  
 What a golden opportunity it spells!  
 Lads and lasses, come along,  
 While you still are young and  
 strong.  
 There's a Method in the madness of  
 the bells!  
 So exert your best endeavour  
 Now, now, to learn or never  
 How to ring, ring, ring,  
 With a rhythmic swing,  
 That in loyal celebration we may  
 greet the Coronation  
 Of Elizabeth our Queen with a  
 peal of salutation  
 From the bells, bells, bells  
 From the firing and the aspiring of the  
 bells!

### FROM THE PARISHES

#### Kendal Parish Church

Donations to the appeal for £10,000 to preserve the fabric of Kendal Parish Church are being received from many parts of the country and from overseas. One of the first gifts received by the Rev. G. Needham, Vicar, was a dollar from Mrs. Elizabeth Johanson, Saint Albans, West Virginia, U.S.A.

In the coming weeks a special appeal is to be sent out, and a committee, with Mr. E. Moser as chairman and Mr. W. A. Knowles as treasurer, has been formed to deal with the scheme. Many visitors to the church during the Easter holidays contributed to the fund, among them being Australians.

#### Haverthwaite

Over 500 man- (and woman-) hours have been put in by voluntary labour at the burial-ground, which is a little distance from the Church. Trees have been trimmed and lopped, broom-bushes and briars removed, rubbish (70 loads) removed, portions levelled and paths edged and tidied. Representatives of all religious bodies in the parish gave assistance, and the work still continues.

## Langdale

At an informal meeting of church workers and friends held in the Church Hall and presided over by Mr. F. Mawson (vicar's warden), presentations were made to the Rev. G. C. Dunning, vicar, who is retiring.

Before presenting a cheque for more than £280, which had been subscribed by members of the congregation and friends of the Church, Mr. Mawson referred to Mr. Dunning's 22 years' ministry at Langdale. He praised his sterling qualities and pointed out that Mr. Dunning had refused more than one offer of other livings and possible promotion.

Mr. T. Burton also spoke in appreciative terms on behalf of the choir and organist, and Miss D. Bowness, the longest serving member, presented the vicar with a shooting stick, fountain pen and a book on art and poetry, in which members had inscribed their names.

The Rev. G. C. Dunning is leaving Langdale for his native town of Scarborough.

## Crosthwaite (Kendal)

St. Mary's Church, Crosthwaite, was filled when a memorial window in memory of Anthony Marchbank Carrick was dedicated by Canon J. d'E. Firth, of Winchester College.

At the beginning of the last war, Anthony Carrick's school came from Newcastle to Windermere from where he won a scholarship to Winchester College, but during the summer vacation of 1949 he was accidentally killed while on holiday in the Swiss mountains.

The subject of the memorial window is the "Hortus Conclusus" showing the Virgin holding the Divine child. In the congregation on Sunday morning were the donors of the window—Mr. and Mrs. and Miss Alison Carrick, Gosforth, and Heath Cottage, Crosthwaite, and Mr. and Mrs. and Miss Judith Marchbank, as well as a number of friends from Newcastle and Windermere.

## St. Thomas's Kendal

Speaking at the annual meeting of St. Thomas's Church, Kendal, on Monday, the Rev. J. G. Williams, Vicar, said the task immediately facing them was the renovation of the church, both internally and externally, at a cost of more than £1,000.

## Maryport

It is well known by now that Christ Church has had a very expensive time in recent months owing to the Spire having to be repointed and new Clock dials put in at a cost of £390.

It has meant hard work for the Committee and Members of the Congregation to raise the amount to meet this heavy expense and since November there have been two sacred Concerts, two whist drives, a rummage sale, a social and on Palm Sunday an augmented Choir rendered Stainer's Crucifixion.

With these efforts together, the donations received, and money already in reserve fund, we have now £300 towards the cost.

Thanks are due to all who have given donations or helped in various ways, especially to those friends from overseas who have sent donations.

## Burneside

Industrial Sunday was observed in Burneside Parish Church on Sunday, and to focus the mind on the special intention of the services, examples of the products of the parish were on view.

One window held a fleece, milk, potatoes, roots and eggs to depict farming; in another window was an unglazed wooden frame and the brightly coloured end of a farm cart represented joinery and carpentry; engineering and mechanics were represented by castings and cut gear wheels; the railway, which brings raw material to the parish and takes away the finished product, was shown at the back of the Church by coloured posters and a railway map of the district, and at the chancel screen was a working model of a class four light traffic engine weighing three-quarters of a hundredweight.

To depict the village's most important industry, papermaking, there was a comprehensive exhibit of paper of every hue, placed behind the silver Cross on the Altar. Appropriately enough, the reflection from the peculiarly-shaped base of the Cross took the form of a chalice, a fact noted by many members of the large congregation.

An iced cake, bread and buns were shown as examples of baking and the cabinet-making craft was represented by a kitchen fitment, while horse-shoes, the hallmark of the village blacksmith, adorned the lectern. Eggs were placed on the shelf behind the Altar to remind the congregation of the Easter story.

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