

St. David's Society Holds Anniversary in St. George's Church

Following the example of the annual St. David's service at St. Paul's Cathedral, London, leading churches in Montreal have in recent years co-operated in arranging an annual service to honor the memory of St. David, the patron saint of Wales. This year St. George's Church, of which the Ven. Archdeacon A. P. Gower-Rees, M.A., D.C.L., M.C., is the rector, will welcome the many Canadians of Welsh origin resident in Greater Montreal to the annual St. David's service tomorrow at 7.30 p.m.

The service will be conducted by the Venerable Archdeacon J. F. Morris, Mr. Owen C. Roberts, Town of Mount Royal, president of the St. David's Society of Montreal, and Mr. J. J. Jones, of Notre Dame de Grace, immediate past-president, will read the lessons. Mr. Merlin Davies, honorary associate of the Royal College of Music, and former Gentleman of the Chapel Royal, Windsor Castle, will be the soloist. Hymn-tunes by Welsh composers will be sung to English words by the choir and congregation, under the direction of Mr. Gordon Phillips, M.A., organist of St. George's Church.

Following the service, there will be a short recital of appropriate music by the St. George's choir under the direction of Mr. Phillips. This will include some of the compositions of the late Master of the King's Musick, Sir Walford Davies, and Dr. Vaughan Williams. The soloists will be Mrs. W. Douglas Kirk and Alderman Edgar Davies.

The St. David's service will be heard over radio station C.J.A.D., with the co-operation of the Central Council on Religious Broadcasting. The recital will also be heard as a delayed broadcast from 9 to 9.30 p.m. over the same station.

Census figures indicate that there are over two thousand Canadians of Welsh extraction living in Greater Montreal, and the St. David's Society urges that during this year of golden Jubilee those who are fit and well should take this opportunity of national thanksgiving. A cordial invitation is extended to worshippers of all nationalities to join in next Sunday's service of worship and commemoration in St. George's Church.