

NOTICES

DR R. S. LEE is a Freudian psychologist who was invited to deliver the Burroughs Memorial Lectures at Leeds in 1953 on *Psychology and Worship*. These lectures are now published by the S.C.M. Press at 7s. 6d. The reader will learn a good deal of general information regarding the Freudian approach to religion, and also sound reflections on the sacraments and prayer, though these naturally lose something in not being Catholic.

FR JOHN DONOHUE, S.J., on the other hand gives a very Catholic view of *Christian Maturity* (P. J. Kenedy, New York; \$3.50) with a good deal of common-sense psychology thrown in. Like Dr Lee, he is concerned with the fostering of the mature Christian, and in this study he brings most of the Catholic doctrine of God and man to bear on the matter. If any criticism were to be offered it would be that he is *too* 'Catholic' in the sense that some Catholics make the Faith almost into a Sect.

NEXT YEAR sees the quincentenary of the rehabilitation of St Joan of Arc. Messrs Methuen have prepared the way for the event by publishing a translation, by J. M. Cohen, of Regine Pernoud's book on *THE TRIAL OF ST JOAN OF ARC* (16s.). The book consists almost entirely of the depositions of witnesses, put deftly into their historical context by the author, at the second trial. The witnesses were those who had known Joan both in her childhood and in her public life. The story never fails to rouse interest and enthusiasm, but when it comes from the lips of those who had experienced the saint's simplicity, charm and piety it is more moving than usual.



EXTRACTS

A reader of 'Extracts' was attracted by the reference in the July issue to the use of the Missal by the laity. We may quote from his letter: Your reference to the use and abuse of the Missal is timely. It (the Missal) has not succeeded in promoting the communal mind or spirit of the liturgy. On the contrary it seems to have begotten a