

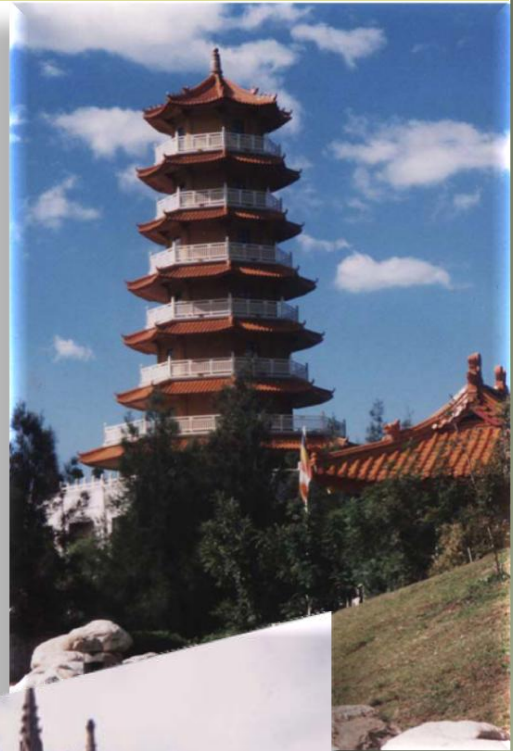
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St Thomas' Catholic Church, Lewisham NSW, photographed by Carole M. Cusack, 1997.

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Hindu Temple, Helensburgh, NSW, photographed by Carole M. Cusack, 1997.

The Religious History Association exists for the following objects:

- ◆ to promote and advance the study of religious history in Australia
- ◆ to promote the study of all fields of religious history
- ◆ to encourage research in Australian religious history
- ◆ to publish the *Journal of Religious History*

Religious History Association - President's Report for 2010

The Religious History Association is both an old and a new organisation. It is new in the sense that it held its first Annual General Meeting as recently as December 2010 during which the first executive committee was formally elected for a two year term. However, the RHA is not really new but the outcome of a peaceful merger between **the Association for the Journal of Religious History** and **the Religious History Society** to form Australia's first truly national scholarly society for the advance of religious history. We now can look forward to many more years of promoting the discipline of religious history in Australia through both the *Journal of Religious History* and the regular conferences, workshops and newsletters of the Association.

The first Annual General Meeting of the Religious History Association was held on Monday 8th November 2010, 5:00pm – 7:00pm, Woolley Common Room, University of Sydney. The meeting included the formal election of the interim RHA committee. **Hilary Carey (President), John Gascoigne (Treasurer), Stuart Piggin (Secretary), and Ian Tregenza, Shurlee Swain, Philip Almond, Carole M. Cusack and Christopher Hartney**, and the RHA email circulation list.

Partly in celebration of the successful merger, it is my pleasure to congratulate the six foundation Fellows of the Religious History Association who include long-serving members of the Association for the Journal of Religious History: Bruce Mansfield, foundation Editor of the Journal of Religious History, together with Ruth Frappell, Leighton Frappell, Geoff Oddie, Deryck Schreuder, and Garry W. Trompf. Profiles and photographs of the new Fellows are available on the RHA website.

Much of 2010 was taken up with creating the administrative structures needed to support an organisation in the contemporary, digital age. Hence, besides a new constitution, the RHA has acquired a new logo and website, a new electronic mailing list hosted by Yahoo! and the capacity to host meetings with colleagues from around the country or internationally. The latter is particularly important as we now have an executive committee whose membership is no longer drawn exclusively from the Sydney region. I am particularly grateful to our interstate representatives, Philip Almond in Queensland and Shurlee Swain in Victoria, for taking on this challenge.

The other important decision, which was confirmed at the Annual General Meeting, was the confirmation of a new ten-year contract with Wiley Blackwell for the continued publication of the *Journal of Religious History*. Negotiations for the new contract were led by the RHA Treasurer John Gascoigne who secured excellent new financial terms for the Association, as well as provisions for an increase in allotted pages – up to 654 pp. from 512 pp. Previously. This should help underpin the *Journal of Religious History's* position as one of the top three international journals in our field and a site of first choice for researchers.

In collaboration with the Group for Religious and Intellectual Traditions (GRIT), the Humanities Research Institute of the University of Newcastle and the Network for Early European Research (NEER), the Association provided support to a workshop on the theme Church and State in Old and New Worlds. This met from 11th -13th December 2008 with international authorities, Professor Stewart J. Brown (University of Edinburgh) and Frank Lambert (Purdue). The collected proceedings from this workshop have now been published in Brill's Series in Church History: *Church and State in Old and New Worlds*, ed. Hilary Carey and John Gascoigne. Leiden: Brill, 2011.

The Religious History Society held its 7th Biennial conference in association with the Australian Historical Association in Perth in July. The theme was 'colonial religion' and the keynote speaker was Emeritus Professor Andrew Porter, formerly of Kings College London. Papers presented at this conference will be submitted for a potential special issue of the *Journal of Religious History*. In other activities, the Association also sponsored a workshop held at Wesley College, University of Sydney, which aims to produce a national history of Methodism in Australia. Support has also been committed for additional workshops on application to the Executive during their regular meetings. A theme was also selected for the next biennial meeting of the RHA which will be held in Adelaide in 2012. This will be

secularism, and the keynote speaker will be Philip Jenkins, Edwin Erle Sparks Professor of Humanities at Pennsylvania State University.

Religious history remains one of the most dynamic sub fields in Australian history. Looking back over the range of themes tackled at our biennial conferences, it would seem that the intersection of religions with national or imperial identities – both central questions in Australian history – has attracted particular interest over the last decade. The next conference, on secularism, is therefore something of a new departure, reflecting the latest trends in international research but also a classic question for historians of religion.

Finally, a word about the *Journal of Religious History*. Under the distinguished co-editorship of Carole Cusack and Christopher Hartney and Editorial Assistant Anna Haunton the Journal continues to stretch to cover all religious traditions while providing ample coverage of themes of special importance to Australian readers and researchers. I also thank Anna Haunton for her important contribution to the new Association as Editor of *Therha* and manager of the RHA website <http://www.therha.com.au>.

Overall, the outlook of the Association and the Journal has never looked more propitious. I look forward to promoting the Association throughout the next two years and encouraging our discipline to grow both numerically and intellectually over the next two years.

Hilary M. Carey
President, Religious History Association (2011-2012)

**COMMISSION INTERNATIONALE d'HISTOIRE ET D'ÉTUDES
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(with which the Religious History Association is affiliated)

<http://www.history.ac.uk/cihec>

1) In order to broaden the Website and make it an international tool:

- a) all were asked to make contact with Dr Tim Grass with information about forthcoming events of interest to CIHEC. Dr Grass is to place summaries of papers on the website and authors are asked to get in touch with him.
- b) Professor Andres-Gallego suggested that the publications of CIHEC members should be listed and links established to other websites.

2. Future Colloquia

- a) **The 21st International Congress of Historical Sciences (CISH), 22–28 August 2010 in Amsterdam**

[NB All CIHEC Sessions will take place in De Oudemanhuisport C 1.17, within the central building complex of the University of Amsterdam]

CIHEC has been allotted three sessions of 3 hours each, two on Thursday 26 August and one on Friday 27 August with the following themes:

- ‘**Changing Concepts of Sanctity and the Holy Life**’
- ‘**The Christian Churches and Communism in Europe**’
- ‘**Dealing with the Religious Past**’.
- **The General Meeting of CIHEC** will be held on Friday morning, 27 August, following the third session in the **OMHP C 1.17**.

- a) **Religion and Peace in Monotheistic Traditions, 29 May–1 June 2011**

to be jointly sponsored by the Centre for the Study of Christianity of the Van Leer Institute in Jerusalem and Bar Ilan University on the outskirts of Tel Aviv.

Professor Friedman reported on progress in fund-raising and asked for suggestions for three keynote speakers of international reputation to encourage potential donors. It was important to include a whole range of historical periods and avoid excessive concentration on the Middle East. It was proposed that the Annual Bureau Meeting of CIHEC should be held on the occasion.

b) **Ireland, Empire and Christian Civilization, 22–23 September 2012** to be held at St Patrick's College, Drumcondra, Dublin. This Conference is to be organized by The Catholic Historical Society of Ireland on the occasion of its Centenary. Professor Lyons reported that the intention was to combine a core of scholars on Ireland together with an international participation to discuss **Empire in a Christian Context**. It should be possible to provide some funding and it is hoped to publish the proceedings quickly. Those interested in participating should contact marian.lyons@spd.dcu.ie

c) i) **Pilgrims and Pilgrimages as peacemakers in Christianity, Judaism and Islam, Compostela 13–15 October 2010**

ii) **Reformulation of Historical Pilgrimages and New Pilgrimages, December 2010. This will address the topic of pilgrimages to build identity. It is hoped to provide some funding to encourage young scholars to participate.**

d) **The Christianization of Eastern Europe, May–June 2011**

The Conference will consider the following main fields: the Christianization of Eastern Europe; Reformation/Catholicism in the 15th-17th centuries and the impact of the Enlightenment; Religion and Nationalism in the 19th century; Churches and Totalitarianism in the 20th century. The aim is to open ecclesiastical history to a broader audience than hitherto in Lithuania. There should be some funding and the organizers, Professors Baronas and Streikus would welcome suggestions from CIHEC for possible speakers. **For information** contacts@kma.lt

The President and Professor Swanson indicated that members would be welcome to attend The Ecclesiastical History Society Conference in August 2011, at Christ Church, Oxford, on the topic of **'The Church and its Past'** under the Presidency of Professor Sarah Foot.

Editors' Report – *The Journal of Religious History*

2010 has been a notably successful year for the *Journal of Religious History*, which is celebrating fifty years since its first publication in 1960. JRH's relationship with Wiley-Blackwell continues, and the publisher made available a special Fiftieth Anniversary Virtual Issue, <http://www.wiley.com/bw/vi.asp?ref=0022-4227&site=1>, which repackaged seminal articles of the previous fifty years in a new, digital format, for a twenty-first century readership.

The four official volumes for 2010 continued JRH's record of success in publishing high quality original research in religious history. The Editors are always dependent on submissions from authors, but we attempted (as always) to ensure that a variety of material was showcased in JRH (2010). The March issue featured Geoffrey D. Dunn's fascinating Early Medieval study 'Easter and the Battle of Pollentia' (Vol. 34, No. 1, pages 55-66). This battle, occurring in 531 CE, had great implications for the Visigothic leader Alaric, and for the Vandal general Stilicho. Moreover, its religious importance is undeniable, as it was fought at Easter.

In the June issue we were delighted to showcase a fascinating essay by Editorial Board member, Ronnie Po-Chia Hsia, 'Dreams and Conversions: A Comparative Analysis of Catholic and Buddhist Dreams in Ming and Qing China. Part Two (Vol. 34, No. 2, pages 111-141). This issue also broke new ground in profiling occult history and featuring motifs now of great significance in contemporary religions mediated by popular culture, in David Keyworth's essay 'The Aetiology of Vampires and Revenants: Theological Debate and Popular Belief' (pages 158-173). The December issue continued to expand horizons for JRH, featuring articles on Islam, which has remained a subject rarely featured (Nile Green's 'The Dilemmas of the Pious Biographer: Missionary Islam and the Oceanic Hagiography,' Vol. 34, No. 4, pages 383-397) and also Mayan religious history ('The Spatio-Temporal Ritual Practice of the Fifty-Two-Year Calender in Mesoamerica,' pages 446-458).

The September issue was a more traditional JRH Special Issue, featuring Australian religious history and edited by David Hilliard. This issue as, nevertheless, characterised at least

partially by a new interest on trans-Tasman relationships between Australia and New Zealand (Malcolm Prentis, 'Binding or Loosing in Australasia: Some Trans-Tasman Protestant Connections', Vol. 34, No. 3, pages 312-334) and an emphasis on philosophical contributions (Ian Tregenza, 'The Idealist Tradition in Australian Religious Thought', pages 335-353). The December issue also includes an overview of the journal's first fifty years and the changing character of religious history by former editor John Gascoigne.

Wiley-Blackwell oversaw the publication of the *Journal* from its Singapore office (as opposed to Melbourne in the past) and pioneered innovations such as 'Early View' (in which articles that had been granted a DOI could appear on the website prior to being assigned to a particular issue, somewhat alleviating the problem of the backlog of articles). Dr Julie Smith (University of Sydney) retired as Review Editor on December 2010 (after having served since July 2007). Her contribution is to be celebrated. At the University of Sydney Associate Professor Carole M. Cusack and Dr Christopher Hartney were supported in their work as editors by Mrs Anna Haunton, as the JRH Editorial Assistant. At the end of the year the Association for the *Journal of Religious History* and the Religious History Association merged, and the future for JRH is bright, with the four issues for 2011 already filled and a steady stream of high quality article submissions.

Correspondents' Reports

NEW ZEALAND

The retirement of Dr Allan Davidson has marked an important milestone for the sub-discipline of religious history in New Zealand. Honoured in the New Years Honours list for services to history, Allan has done a great deal for the community, not only in his positions at St John's College and latterly also at the University of Auckland's School of Theology, he has also been keenly involved in the Wesleyan and Anglican historical societies, and been a trusted representative of churches in discussions about the commemoration of the 200th anniversary of the coming of Christian missionaries to New Zealand in 1814. Allan's deep sensitivity to Maori and Pasifika people and their learning needs and perspectives meant that his influence is widespread. He has been replaced at the University of Auckland by **Dr Nick Thomson**. Meanwhile in his retirement Allan has been completing the editing of the diocesan history of Anglicans in Auckland. This will be a large multi-authored volume which will complete a gap in Anglican history, while other dioceses (including Wellington, Waikato, Waiapu and Nelson) have published or are about to publish a second version of their history.

This is the 'off' year for the New Zealand Historical Association but there will be a **day conference in Hamilton on Saturday 19 November 2011**, and it is expected that 2012 and 2013 will have significant conferences on aspects of the 2012 commemoration. This year's conferences included a most interesting conference at St John's College commemorating Bishop George Augustus Selwyn and his wife Sarah, and another conference with perspectives on the Edinburgh conference on 1910, while others attended the event at Edinburgh.

The end of 2011 marks the end of a six year cycle for research measurement in what is called the PBRF (Performance Based Research Fund) and since every individual academic has to submit a portfolio, there has been a burst of publishing activity through the universities and colleges. The Religious History Association will be the focus of one volume including many papers from recent conferences, and other volumes will look at Maori churches, while a volume has appeared on women and the churches and on the history of theology. Monographs have included Susan Thompson's account of Trinity College, *Knowledge and Vital Piety* and R.A. Sundt's *Whare Karakia* on the architecture of Maori churches, while a series of popular works include Keith Newman's large *Bible & Treaty*, and autobiographies by Bishop John Bluck and the Methodist deaconess, Joy Cowley.

Correspondent: Peter Lineham, Massey University

VICTORIA

A sample of the December 2010 projects and publications of Victorian scholars follows:

Current Projects (including Grants)

Dr Greg Bailey

- A study of the ideologies associated with the Sanskrit root वृत्
- The Mahābhārata as a Response to the material success of early Buddhism

Dr Megan Cassidy-Welch, University of Melbourne

- ARC Grant 2008-2010: 'Crusade, displacement and the aftermath of war in medieval France.'

Prof. Katharine Massam, United Faculty of Theology, Centre for Theology and Ministry

- Spanish Missionary Women in Australia, 1904-1974
- Institutional Care and Education of Aboriginal Children at New Norcia
- Work, Prayer and Traditions of 'Godly Time'

Professor Constant Mews, Monash University

- 2010-2012 ARC Discovery Grant (with D. Squire) DP1093716 Ethics and Encyclopaedic Culture in Thirteenth-Century France (76K, 70K, 70K)
- 2010-2012 ARC Discovery Grant (with B.Caine, C. James, B. Kent, D. Garrioch) Women's Letter Writing

Dr Darius von Guettner (von Güttner Sporzyński), University of Melbourne

- First English edition of Master Vincentius' 'Chronica Polonorum' (an early 13th century source).
- First English edition of Peter of Dusburg's 'Chronicle of the Prussian Land'.
- Working on: 'Poland and the Crusades in the Twelfth Century: The Idea of Holy War and its Reception in The Piast Monarchy,' Turnhout: Brepols (ISBN 9782503528700).

Prof. Charles Zika, Prof. S. Broomhall & Dr J. Spinks, University of Melbourne.

- ARC Discovery Grant, 2009-12: 'Reading the Signs: disaster, apocalypse and demonology in European print culture, 1450-1700.'
- One of ten CIs awarded funding in August 2010 for ARC Centre of Excellence in the History of the Emotions, 2011-2017 led by UWA – my projects are in the field of 'Emotions and the Supernatural, Europe 1350-1750'

Publications:

Books

Padmasiri de Silva, *Buddhist & Freudian Psychology*, 4th edition, Shogam Publishers, Carlton North, 2010. (Includes a new chapter on the current dialogue between Buddhism & Psychotherapy).

Constant J Mews & Claire Renkin (eds), *Interpreting Francis and Clare of Assisi from the Middle ages to the Present* (Broughton publications, Melbourne, 2010).

Tamara Prosic, 'Annual Festivals in the Hebrew Bible I: Theoretical and Methodological Concerns', *Religion Compass (Ancient Near East)*, forthcoming.

Tamara Prosic, 'Annual Festivals in the Hebrew Bible II: Perspective from Ritual Studies', *Religion Compass (Ancient Near East)*, forthcoming.

Journal Articles/Sections of books/Proceedings

Greg Bailey

- 'Does Bhartṛhari Accept the Possibility of Liberation Lebend oder Sterbend?' in *Release from Life - Release in Life. Indian Perspectives on Individual Liberation*, eds. Bigger, A, Krajnc, R, Mertens, A, Schüpbach, M & Wessler, H. W., volume in honour of Professor Peter Schreiner, Peter Lang, Bern, 2010: 1-20.

Greg Bailey

- ‘Hermeneutical Glosses on Scholarly Work on the Mahābhārata and the Purāṇas,’ *Epic and argument in Sanskrit literary history : essays in honor of Robert P. Goldman*, Manohar, New Delhi, 2010: 1-16

Ursula Betkam

- ‘Illuminating a Medieval Manuscript’ in Bernard J. Muir (ed), *Inside the Scriptorium 1. Inks, Paints & Quills*, Ductus Evellum Scriptorium Series vol. 3 (The University of Melbourne, 2009).
- ‘The Laudario of Sant’Agnese in Florence: Compagnia, Carmelites and the Community of Saints’, in G. Kratzmann (ed.), *Imagination, Books and Community in Medieval Europe. Proceedings from the Exhibition Conference*, SLV 29-31 May 2008 (Macmillan, Melbourne, 2009)

Ursula Betkam & Margaret Pont: ‘Medieval art and legend and the Arthur Boyd St Francis Tapestries’, in Constant J Mews & C. Renkin (eds), *Interpreting Francis and Clare of Assisi from the Middle ages to the Present* (Broughton publications, Melbourne, 2010).

Cal Ledsham and Constant J Mews, ‘Franciscan Thinking on Charity, Practical Theology, and Salvation 1270–1320’ in Constant J Mews and Claire Renkin (eds) *Interpreting Francis and Clare: from the Middle Ages to the Present* (Melbourne: Broughton Publishing 2010), pp. 152-76

Constant J Mews, Monash University

- ‘Between the schools of Abelard and Saint-Victor in the mid twelfth century : the witness of Robert of Melun’, in *L’École de Saint-Victor. Influence et rayonnement du Moyen Âge à l’époque moderne*, ed. Dominique Poirel. Paris - Turnhout: Brepols, 2010 (Bibliotheca Victorina, 22), pp. 121-138
- ‘Heloise’, *Medieval Holy Women in the Christian Tradition, c. 1100-c.1500*, ed. Alistair Minnis and Roslyn Voaden (Turnhout: Brepols, 2010), pp.
- ‘Re-structuring the Golden Legend in the Early Fourteenth Century: The *Sanctilogium* of Guy of Châtres, abbot of Saint-Denis’, *Revue bénédictine* 120 (2010), 129-144.

Constant J Mews and Claire Renkin, ‘Introduction’ *Interpreting Francis and Clare: from the Middle Ages to the Present* (Melbourne: Broughton Publishing 2010), pp. x-xvi.

Thomas Reuter

- ‘Globalisation and Regionalism: The rise of a new religious movement in Bali, Indonesia, after the 2002 terror attack.’ In Elizabeth Morrell and Cao, Huhua (eds), *Regional Minorities and Development in Asia*. Routledge Contemporary Asia Series. (Routledge, London and New York, pp. 157-70).
- ‘Anthropological Theory and the Alleviation of Anthropogenic Climate Change: understanding the Cultural causes of Systemic Change Resistance’. *World Anthropology Network E-Journal*, Issue 5, June 2010, pp 5-27. Special edition on ‘Anthropologies of the South’, edited by Sandy Toussaint.
- ‘The Time of Madness and the Return of the King: Prophetic Imagination and Societal Change in Indonesia’. Refereed proceedings of the conference: *Anthropology and the Ends of Worlds*, University of Sydney, <http://anthroendsofworlds.wordpress.com/>.

Encyclopaedia Entries

Greg Bailey, ‘Purāṇas’ in ed. Knut Jacobsen, et.al, *Brill Encyclopedia of Hinduism*, Handbook of Oriental Studies Series. Section 2 South Asia, Brill, Leiden, 2010, Vol.2: 127-152

Darius von Guettner

- ‘Gallus Anonymus’ in ed. Graeme Dunphy, *Encyclopedia of the Medieval Chronicle*, Brill.
- ‘Magister Vincenius’ in ed. Robert E. Bjork, *The Oxford Dictionary of the Middle Ages*, Oxford University Press.

Completed Research Higher Degrees

Peter Carolane, ‘Instinct for mission : John Bulmer, missionary to the Aborigines of Victoria, 1855-1913.’ (PhD Melbourne)

- Matthew Champion** [Charles Zika, Megan Cassidy Welch (Assoc.)], ‘Nicolas Jaquier and the Flagellum Haereticorum Fascinariorum: Burgundian Witchcraft Theory and Culture.’ (MA – Melbourne)
- Kelvin Curnow** [Rev Dr Austin Cooper OMI] ‘A Re-reading of Tract 90’ (DTheol Melbourne College of Divinity)
- Fiona Davis**, ‘Colouring within the lines : settler colonialism and the Cummeragunja Aboriginal Station, 1888-1960s’ (PhD Melbourne)
- Amer Eyal**, [Dr Greg Bailey] ‘The Poetic Logic of the Kumarasambhava of Kalidasa’, (PhD Latrobe)
- Budiarto Gomulia** [Rev Dr Robin Koning SJ, Rev Dr Michael Smith SJ] ‘A Study of the Development of Mortification and Discernment in the Autobiography of St. Ignatius of Loyola’ (MA Melbourne College of Divinity)
- Julianna Grigg** [Megan Cassidy-Welch], ‘Transition, development and nationhood in early eighth century Pictland.’ (PhD Melbourne)
- Kerrie Jean Handasyde** [Dr Katharine Massam] ‘Bread of Heaven: Food and Material Culture in the Churches of Christ in Victoria’ (MA Melbourne College of Divinity)
- Marita Munro**, ‘A struggle for identity and direction: a history of Victorian Baptists, 1960-2000.’ (PhD Melbourne)
- Bryan Joseph Pipins** [Rev Dr Larry Nemer SVD] ‘The Shadow of Francis Xavier: East Asian Jesuit Missions in the Sixteenth Century’ (MA Melbourne College of Divinity)
- Stephanie Rocke** [Constant Mews, Peter Howard, Thomas Reiner] ‘A Mass for a secular age? The Armed Man: A Mass for Peace (2000).’ (MA Monash)
- Celia Scott**, ‘Sanctity and gender in early Irish hagiography.’ (PhD Melbourne)
- Alison Ware** [Megan Cassidy-Welch], ‘The sins of the Fathers : a study of the lay concept of guilt in late medieval England’ (PhD Melbourne)
- Damien Williams** [Catherine Kovesi] ‘The Sacramental Bloke: A History of the National Council of Priests of Australia, 1969-2009.’ (PhD Melbourne)
- Miguel Gil**, [Greg Bailey], ‘An Analysis of the Concept of Peace in the Bahá’í Religion’ (PhD La Trobe - submitted)

Research Higher Degrees in Progress

- Sue Angelatos**, [Dr Christopher Marshall], ‘The Martyr-Cycle of the English College, Rome,’ (PhD Melbourne)
- Miriam Benedikt** [Michael Fagenblat], ‘Anti-Christian polemic in Midrash Psalms.’ (PhD Monash)
- Richard Blandford** [Dr Peter Sherlock] ‘Hugh Latimer, the King’s Reformer 1530-39’ (PhD Melbourne College of Divinity) Submitted 2010
- Kirstie Close**, [Helen Gardner, Joanna Cruickshank, David Wetherell], ‘The influence of the Methodist Church on Fijian Independence.’ (PhD Deakin)
- Julie Davies** [Charles Zika, Megan Cassidy Welch (Assoc.)], ‘Science in an Enchanted World: the impact of scientific development on understandings of magic and the occult in seventeenth-century Europe.’ (PhD Melbourne)
- Kenneth George** [Rev Dr Charles Sherlock] ‘The Padre and the Suffering God: G.A.Studdert Kennedy (1883-19290)’ (Dtheol Melbourne College of Divinity)
- Keith Hallett**, ‘The Reverend George Brown as Pacific Methodist Mission Administrator’ (PhD Melbourne)
- Peta Hills** [Dr Katharine Massam] ‘The Form of Life/Rule of St Clare (1253) in its ecclesiastical and social context’ [MA Melbourne College of Divinity]
- Shane Hoxtor** [Rev Dr Austin Cooper OMI] ‘The Eucharistic Sermons of Ronald Knox as a key to his conversion, with particular reference to the sermons preached at Corpus Christi Church, Maiden Lane’ [MTheol Melbourne College of Divinity]
- Laura Juliff** [Megan Cassidy-Welch, Assoc.], ‘Byzantine responses to the Bogomil heresy.’ (MA Melbourne)
- Karolina Kurzak**, ‘The face of the poor: a history of poverty through the eyes of the St Vincent de Paul Society.’ (PhD Melbourne) Funded by an ARC Linkage grant (2006-9) held by Ass. Prof John Murphy.
- Rina Lahav**, [Constant Mews] ‘Collaboration and Cooperation: Marguerite Porete, mendicants and religious women in northern France in the thirteenth century’ (PhD Monash)
- Janine Luttick** [Michael Fagenblat]: ‘Anti-Judaism in progressive New Testament criticism’ (MA Monash)

- Christine Macleod**, 'Eusebius of Caesarea and the Church History: A Secular Study' (MA Melbourne)
- Sarah Martin**, 'David McCaughey, The Australian Years 1953-2005: A Biography.' (PhD Melbourne)
- Matthew Martin**, [Dr Claire Renkin] 'Joseph Willem's Chelsea 'Pieta' and the devotional function of porcelain sculptures on religious subjects in 18th century England' [MA Melbourne College of Divinity]
- Race Matthews**, [Rev Dr Austin Cooper OMI, Rev Dr Bruce Duncan] 'Manning's Children: Distributist Responses to *Rerum Novarum* in Australia 1891-1966' (DTheol Melbourne College of Divinity)
- Helen Merritt**, [Megan Cassidy-Welch], 'Popish Plot informers and the experience of authority in early modern England' (PhD Melbourne)
- Jasmine Norrie**, [Megan Cassidy-Welch] 'Prostitution in late-medieval England.' (PhD Melbourne)
- Graeme Pender**, [Rev Dr Austin Cooper OMI] 'Bishop Charles Henry Davis, OSB: His contribution to the early Australian church' (Dtheol Melbourne College of Divinity)
- Stephanie Rocke**, [Peter Murphy, Paul Watt], 'From Mass to Concert Mass' (PhD Monash)
- Charlotte Smith**, [Charles Zika] "'Apocalyptic Battles and Exotic Courts: Printed Images of the Turk from Sixteenth-Century German Territories', 1450-1600' (submitted 2010)
- Kathryn Smithies** [Megan Cassidy-Welch] 'The social and historical context of the 12th-13th-century French fabliaux.' (PhD Melbourne)
- Fotini Toso**, [Dr Robert Di Napoli, Dr David O'Brien] 'Eschatology and the Conceptualisation of Individual Responsibility in Anglo-Saxon Religious Poetry' (PhD Melbourne College of Divinity)
- Justin Wejak**, 'Catholicism and Communism in Indonesia in The 1960s: An analysis of the position of the Catholic Church on the coup attempt of 1 October 1965 and the ensuing mass political violence during 1965-1966.' (PhD Melbourne)
- Anna Welch**, [Dr Claire Renkin, Prof. Constant Mews] 'Franciscan Liturgy and Identities: The Codex Sancti Paschalis and Networks of Manuscript Production in Umbria, 1280-1350. (PhD Melbourne College of Divinity) Submitted 2010
- Michael Wong** 'Hermeneutics, theology and neuroscience: Theological anthropology as informed by the Changeux–Ricoeur Dialogue' (PhD Monash)

Seminar & Conference papers / other activities (2010)

29 Nov.- 11 Dec. 2009 'Icons and Devotional Images East and West'; exhibition of hand-painted Sacred Images of the Elsmere Icon School - (St Mary Star of the Sea, The Crypt, West Melbourne) Curator: Ursula Betka

4-7 July: Melbourne College of Divinity Centenary Conference

27 Sept: Book Launch Abbotsford Convent: Second revised edition of Catherine Kovesi, *Pitch Your Tents on Distant Shores: A history of the Sisters of the Good Shepherd in Australia, Aotearoa/New Zealand and Tahiti*, was successfully launched.

Greg Bailey

- 'On the distribution, use and meaning of the dhātu vṛt in the Mokṣadharmaparvan and the Śāntiparvan.' International Conference on Early India Philosophy and the Mahābhārata. Brown University, Providence, April 2010.
- 'Purāṇa Pañcalakṣaṇa as Genealogy and Jātipurāṇa' Genealogy in South Asia', University of Cardiff, Cardiff, May 2010.
- 'To What Extent Does The Critical Edition Still Hold Validity?' Annual Conference on South Asia, University of Madison-Wisconsin, October 2010.

Katharine Massam

- 'Women and reconciliation in a mission town', Peter Cross Memorial Lecture, Brighton Ecumenical Council, May 2010.
- 'Aboriginal Women invite their Sisters 'home'', Panel on Spirituality and Reconciliation, International Society for Religion, Literature and Culture, Oxford, Sept 2010.
- 'Work in the Life of Grace', Conference in honour of Norman Young, November 2010.

Constant Mews

- Feb-June 2010: Visiting Fellow, St John's College, Cambridge

Constant Mews

- March 2010: Visiting Lecturer, University of Leeds & University of Durham
- June 2010: Visiting Professor to Religion und Politik Excellenskluster, WWW-Universität Münster

Stephanie Rocke

- 'Cultural Generators or Cultural Reflectors? Two British Concert Masses,' British Music Conference, Monash University 17-19 Sept 2010.
- 'The Mass re-visioned: Proselytizing peace in place of dogma', joint New Zealand Musicological Society and Musicological Society of Australia International conference, Dunedin Otago 2-4 Dec 2010.

Tamara Prosic, 'Of Bodies and Souls: Ecology and Orthodox Christianity Changing the Climate: Utopia, Dystopia and Catastrophe', Monash University

Dr Darius von Guettner [von Güttner Sporzyński]

- **Received Award for Special Contribution to Teaching and Learning of History in Victoria Australia, History Teachers' Association of Victoria**
- 'The archetypal crusader? Henry of Sandomierz,' The Conference 'Rome, Constantinople and Newly-Converted Europe: Archaeological and Historical Evidence', Cracow, Poland, 21-25 September 2010.
- 'The influence of Bohemia and transmission of the idea of crusade in Poland in the twelfth century,' 'The Czech cultural influences in the spiritual and material traditions of the Piast State in the 10-14th centuries, The University of Poznań, Gniezno, Poland, 22-24 September 2010.
- 'Courage, conviction and imitatio christi: the mission of Saint Adalbert of Prague to the Prussians (AD 997),' Seventh Annual Conference of the Australian Early Medieval Association Courage And Cowardice, the University of Western Australia, 18-19 November 2010.

Charles Zika

- 'The Biblical Witch of Endor Before the Witch Trials', University of Southern Denmark, Odense, Symposium 'Heresy, Magic and Natural Philosophy', November 2010
- 'The Witch of Endor in the Later 17th Century: a new visual code for witchcraft', University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, October 2010
- 'Images of the Witch of Endor in the Later 17th and Early 18th Centuries: the transformations and dissemination of a witch at a time of declining trials', German Historical Institute, Paris, ('Crossing Frontiers – Belief in Magic and Witch-Hunting as Culture Transfer), May 2010
- 'A Long History of the Witch of Endor', University of Goettingen, Lichtenberg-Kolleg, December 2010
- 'Reading Disaster in Early Modern Europe', Sixteenth Century Society & Conference, Montreal, October 2010
- 'Disasters, violence and the emotional economy of later sixteenth-century Europe: the collection of Johann Jakob Wick', Australian Historical Association, University of Western Australia, Perth, July 2010
- 'Collecting Disasters at a Time of Religious Crisis: the 'Wonder Book' of Johann Jakob Wick', Renaissance Society of America Conference, Venice, April 2010.

THE ANGLICAN HISTORY SOCIETY OF AUSTRALIA

The Society held one of its regular seminars at **Trinity College in the University of Melbourne from 17-18 September under the general theme of Anglicans in Australian History**. Twenty two people attended. The papers provoked very good discussion and opened up a number of themes for further work and contacts were made for future collaboration.

At a business session some important decisions were made about the future. The seminars were started by **Dr Bruce Kaye in 1995** and he has convened the seminars every year since. At this meeting he retired from the position of President of the Society and **Dr Marcus Harmes from the University of Southern Queensland** was elected in his place. This

arrangement successfully brings the Society into connection with the Conference on Anglicanism held through the University of Southern Queensland in 2009, and which it is expected to continue as a biennial event.

A good time was had by all, including a dinner at which **Bishop James Grant** spoke about the writing of his recently published history of the diocese of Melbourne.

The programme of papers was:

- Gary Bouma** : Keynote address *Chaplains, Churches and Christianising Australia*
Joanna Cruickshank : *Anglican Sermons in Colonial Australia*
Michael Gladwin: *The revival of "militant imperial Anglicanism"? Recruitment, identity and Australian Anglican clergymen, c.1788-1850*
Peter Carolane: *Lake Tyers, 1860-1914: Anglican Mission or Government Station?*
Peter Bolt: *Why Study Early Australian Colonial History?*
Shurlee Swain: *The Anglican Church and Forgotten Australians*
Bruce Kaye: *The Beginning of Australian Secularity*
Marcus Harmes: 'Protestantism's Doom: English Bishops as the Guardians of Reform in the Seventeenth and early-Eighteenth Centuries'
John MacIntosh: *T C Hammond and "System" in Evangelical Theology*
John Beer: *Church Responses to the 1930s Depression*

There was a session reporting of current research work and a presentation on the planned multi volume *Oxford History of Anglicanism* by its **General Editor Rowan Strong**

Bruce Kaye - 9 February 2011

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QUEENSLAND

Publications

Rick Strelan,

- 'What Might A Pagan Have Understood By 'Holy Spirit'?', *Colloquium* 42 (2010), 151-172.
- 'Tabitha: The gazelle of Joppa (Acts 9: 36)', *Biblical Theology Bulletin* 39 (2009), 77-86.

Michael Lattke

- 'Eulogy,' *Religion Past and Present* 4 (2008), 654-55.
- 'Hymn III. New Testament,' *Religion Past and Present* 6 (2009), 354-55.
- 'Spuren des Römerbriefs in den Oden Salomos,' in U. Schnelle (ed.), *The Letter to the Romans* (BETL, 226; Leuven: Peeters, 2009), 543-62.

Roxanne Marcotte

- *Un islam, des islams?* (Paris : L'Harmattan, 2010)
- 'Women's Scholarship and the New Gender Jihad' in *Women and Islam*, ed. Zayn R. Kassam (Women and Religion in the World Series; Santa Barbara, CA: Praeger / ABC-CLIO, 2010), 131-162.
- *The 'Religionated' Body: Fatwas and Body Parts, Medicine, Religion, and the Body*, ed. by Elizabeth Burns Coleman and Kevin White (International Studies in Religion and Society series; Brill, 2010), 27-49.
- 'Muslim Women in Canada: Autonomy and Empowerment' *Journal of Muslim Minority Affairs* (UK), 30 (2010),357-73.
- 'Gender and Sexuality on Australian Muslim Forums', Special issue on 'Muslims and Media: Perceptions, participation, and Change' (Guest edited by Cemil Aydin and Juliane Hammer), *Contemporary Islam: Dynamics of Muslim Life*, 4 (2010), 117-38.

Adam Bowles

- 'The Failure of Dharma' *Seminar*, 608 (2010),26-31.

Adam Bowles

- ‘Governance and religious conflict in the 18th c.: religion and the civil discourse of separateness in the Maratha polity’ *South Asia* 33 (2010), 61-74.
- ‘Framing Bhīṣma’s royal instructions: the Mahābhārata and the problem of its ‘design’’, in Petteri Koskikallio (ed.), *Parallels and Comparisons: Proceedings of the 4th Dubrovnik International Conference of the Sanskrit Epic and Purāṇas* (Zagreb: Croatian Academy of Sciences and Arts, 2009), 121-135.

Ian Hunter

- ‘Global Justice and Regional Metaphysics: On the Critical History of the Law of Nature and Nations’, in Shaunnagh Dorsett and Ian Hunter (eds), *Law and Politics in British Colonial Thought: Transpositions of Empire*, New York: Palgrave/Macmillan, 2010, pp. 11-29.
- ‘The Man and the Citizen: The Pluralisation of Civil Personae in Early Modern German Natural Law’, in Anna Yeatman and Magdalena Zolkos (eds), *Security, State and Subject Formation*, New York: Continuum Books, 2010).
- ‘The Shallow Legitimacy of Secular Liberal Orders: The Case of Early Modern Brandenburg-Prussia’, in Geoffrey Levey and Tariq Modood (eds), *Secularism, Religion and Multicultural Citizenship*, Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2009).
- ‘Vattel’s Law of Nations: Diplomatic Casuistry for the Protestant Nation’, *Grotiana*, 31(2010), 1-33.
- ‘Scenes from the History of Poststructuralism: Davos, Freiburg, Baltimore, Leipzig’, *New Literary History* 41 (2010) 491-516.
- ‘Kant’s Regional Cosmopolitanism’, *Journal of the History of International Law*, 12(2010), 165-88.
- ‘Postmodern Histories’, *Intellectual History Review* 19 (2009), 265-79.
- ‘Spirituality and Philosophy in Post-Structuralist Theory’, *History of European Ideas* 35 (2009), 265-75.

Philip Almond

- *England’s First Demonologist: Reginald Scot and his Discoverie of Witchcraft* (London: I.B.Tauris, May 2011), forthcoming.
- ‘John Mason and his Religion: An Enthusiastic Millenarian in late 17th Century England,’ in *The Seventeenth Century* 24 (2009), 156-76.
- ‘Thomas Brightman and the Origins of Philo-semitism: An Elizabethan Theologian and the Restoration of the Jews to Israel’ in *Reformation and Renaissance Review* 9(2007), 3-25.
- ‘King James I and the Burning of Reginald Scot’s The Discovery of Witchcraft: The Invention of a Tradition,’ *Notes and Queries* 56(2009), 209-213.
- ‘John Napier and the Mathematics of the ‘middle future’ Apocalypse,’ *Scottish Journal of Theology* 63 (2010), 54-69.

Correspondent: Philip Almond, University of Queensland

SOUTH AUSTRALIA

Publications

C.V. Eckermann, *Koonibba: the Mission and the Nunga People* (Adelaide: Openbook Howden, 2010).

David Hilliard,

- ‘Australia: towards secularisation and one step back’, in Callum G. Brown and Michael Snape (eds), *Secularisation in the Christian World: Essays in Honour of Hugh McLeod* (Farnham, Surrey: Ashgate, 2010), pp.75-91.
- ‘Introduction’ [special issue on Australia], *Journal of Religious History*, vol. 34, no. 3 (2010), pp.257-61.

Josephine Laffin, “Sailing in stormy waters”: Archbishop Matthew Beovich and the Catholic archdiocese of Adelaide in the 1960s’, *Journal of Religious History*, vol. 34, no. 3 (2010), pp. 289-311.

Conference Papers

David Hilliard, “Queensland is Catholic as a general rule”: Anglo-Catholicism in Queensland, c.1860-2010’, ‘From Augustine to Anglicanism: The Anglican Church in Australia and Beyond’ Conference, St Francis’ Theological College, Brisbane, 12-14 February 2010.

Jenny Hein,

- “More entertaining than cock-fighting”: the Salvation Army in the Fleurieu Peninsula’, South Australian State History Conference, Murray Bridge, 6-8 August 2010.
- ‘Sin and redemption in Salvation Army theology: a case study from nineteenth century South Australia’, Australasian Centre for Wesleyan Research Conference, Melbourne, 20-21 August 2010.

St Mary of the Cross MacKillop

The canonization in October 2010 of Mary MacKillop as St Mary of the Cross MacKillop had particular significance in South Australia. At Penola in 1866 she co-founded with Father Julian Tenison Woods a new institute, the Sisters of St Joseph of the Sacred Heart, which took definite shape and attracted many members after Mary moved to Adelaide in 1867 and began her first schools. To mark her canonisation two books have been published in Adelaide.

Alan Cadwallader (ed.), *In the Land of Lark and Heroes: Australian Reflections on St Mary MacKillop* (ATF Press). This is a collection of essays on holy persons and heroes of the faith by contributors from various religious traditions and different Christian denominations, with the object of relating Mary MacKillop to the wider Australian religious landscape.

Josephine Laffin (ed.), *What Does it Mean to Be a Saint? Reflections on Mary MacKillop, Saints and Holiness in the Catholic Tradition* (Wakefield Press). This comprises essays by scholars from the Catholic Theological College in Adelaide and the Flinders University School of Theology on Mary MacKillop and sainthood in the Catholic tradition. These are written from diverse perspectives, including historical, biblical, theological, liturgical, spiritual and personal.

‘From Augustine to Anglicanism: The Anglican Church in Australia and Beyond’, St Francis Theological College, Brisbane, 12 -14 February 2010

This conference, to mark the 150th anniversary of the founding of the Anglican diocese of Brisbane, was the first major conference to be held in Australia on the history of Anglicanism, covering all periods. It was initiated by a group of younger scholars at the University of Queensland and the University of Southern Queensland: Marcus Harnes, Gillian Colclough, Lindsay Henderson and Catherine Dewhirst. Attended by some ninety scholars from Australia and New Zealand, the conference at St Francis Theological College was opened by Archbishop Philip Aspinall, Archbishop of Brisbane and Primate of Australia, and Professor Peter Goodall, Dean of the Faculty of Arts at the University of Southern Queensland. The programme included a conference dinner and an organ recital by Dr Phillip Gearing, a member of the conference organising committee, at All Saints’ Church, Wickham Terrace. Some sessions were recorded by ABC Radio National.

During the conference some fifty-five papers were given in parallel sessions. There were three plenary addresses:

1. **Professor Emeritus Brian Fletcher**, ‘Hymnody and Anglican identity in Australia after the 1960s’

2. **Professor Emeritus Sybil M. Jack**, 'By whos authority? Secular and state control of the Anglican Church from 1534 to 1900"
3. **Professor Emeritus John Tonkin** (inaugural St Francis Lecture), 'Divided authority in cathedral government: blessing or curse?'

Expressions of interest from another institution and positive feedback from those attending have inspired planning for a second conference in Queensland in 2012. For this a USQ Community Moodle site has already been established.

Anglo-Catholic History Society

The Anglo-Catholic History Society was founded in England in 2000 to foster interest and study in the history of the Anglo-Catholic movement in the Anglican Communion. This includes both the High Church school in the Church of England from the sixteenth to the eighteenth centuries, the Oxford Movement of the mid-nineteenth century, and the ensuing Ritualist and Anglo-Catholic movements in England and elsewhere. There are many links with Australia. From the 1890s to the 1980s Anglo-Catholicism, although never a unified movement, was an influential force within Australian Anglicanism, and Anglo-Catholicism in Australia was derived from the Church of England. It looked to England for its theology, its liturgical models and its heroes. Although the Society's lectures, walks and other activities are held mostly in London, it also issues a regular newsletter and has an extensive publishing programme. Most of its lectures are printed as booklets (29 so far) and distributed to members and it has published eleven occasional papers. The Society also provides financial assistance for the publication of significant books in the field.

Since 2009 the Society has published the following lectures:

Barry A. Orford, *H. P. Liddon and the Priestly Ideal*

Alan Wilkinson, *A Tale of Two Monasteries: Kelham and Mirfield*

Simon Jones, *The Liturgical Legacy of Dom Gregory Dix*

Arthur Burns, *Preserving the Thaxted Tradition*

Grant Lambert Naylor, *The Lampeter Movement, 1897-1957: The Society of St David and St David's College, Lampeter*

Frank Sargeant, *Canon Peter Green (1871-1961): Priest, Evangelist and Writer*

Occasional Papers

No. 9: Michael Yelton, *The Twenty-One: An Anglo-Catholic Rebellion in London, 1929* (2009)

No. 10: Michael Yelton (ed.), *An Anglo-Catholic Scrapbook, Produced to Mark the Tenth Anniversary of the Foundation of the Anglo-Catholic History Society* (2010)

No. 11: The South India Controversy and the Converts of 1955-6: An Episode of Recent Anglo-Catholic History (2010)

In addition, the Society has been associated with the publication of the following books:

Peta Dunstan, *The Labour of Obedience: The Benedictines of Pershore, Nashdom and Elmore: A History* (Norwich: Canterbury Press 2009)

Michael Yelton, *Outposts of the Faith: Anglo-Catholicism in Some Rural Parishes* (Norwich: Canterbury Press 2009)

John Gunstone, *Lift High the Cross: Anglo-Catholics and the Congress Movement* (Norwich: Canterbury Press 2010)

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MACQUARIE UNIVERSITY

The following report is not exhaustive of all the research being done on religious history at Macquarie University. It would be greatly augmented, for example, by the list of postgraduate students who are doing research on religious history.

Publications, Already Published and Forthcoming

Greg Fox, Sam Lieu and John Sheldon, *Greek and Latin Manichaean Texts on Cosmogony and Ethics*, Corpus Fountium Manichaeorum Series Subsidia Vol. 6 (Turnhout: Brepols 2010) ISBN 978-2-503-50653-4 pp. xxxviii + 256.

E. A. Judge, *Jerusalem and Athens: Cultural Transformation in Late Antiquity* ed. Alanna Nobbs, (Tubingen: Mohr Siebeck, 2010)

Malcolm Choat, 'Athanasius, Pachomius, and the 'Letter on Charity and Temperance'

Edwin Judge, 'The Puzzle of Christian Presence in Egypt before Constantine'

Alanna Nobbs, 'Phileas, Bishop of Thmouis'; Boyo Ockinga, 'The Memphite Theology'; in Ann McFarlane Alexandra Woods, Susanne Binder, ed. *Egyptian Culture and Society: Studies in Honour of Naguib Kanawati, Cahier No.38*: Publications du Conseil Suprême des Antiquités de L'Égypte, 2010)

Paul Mason, (2010) Islamic New Year in West Sumatra, *Inside Indonesia*, 102.

<http://www.insideindonesia.org/stories/islamic-new-year-in-west-sumatra-09121378>

Mark Harding and Alanna Nobbs, (eds), *The Content and Setting of the Gospel Tradition* (Grand Rapids, Mich.: W.B. Eerdmans Pub. Co., 2010)

Alanna Nobbs, 'Voices from Late Antique Egypt: Christian Women Speak,' 2009 Penny Magee Memorial Lecture, *Australian Religion Studies Review*, 23.1, August 2010, 130-147

Stuart Piggin, *Evangelical Christianity in Australia* (1996), Ch 1 in *Christian Review* (Korean), 7. 2010, 47-49; ch2, 8.2010, 22f.; ch 3, 9, 2010, 22-24; ch.4, 11, 2010, 26-28; ch5, 12, 2010, 42,43

Stuart Piggin with Peter Lineham, 'Christianity in Australia and Oceania c1800–2000', in *Blackwell Companion to World Christianity*, Edited by Lamin Sanneh and Michael J. McClymond (Blackwells, forthcoming)

M.J.F. Roberts, 'Evangelicalism and scandal in Victorian England: The case of the Pearsall Smiths', *History*, 95 (no. 320) (2010), pp. 437-57

Ian Tregenza,

'The Idealist Tradition in Australian Religious Thought', *Journal of Religious History*, vol.34, no.3, September, 2010.

'Skepticism and Tradition: The Religious Imagination of Michael Oakeshott', in C. Abel (ed.) *The Meanings of Michael Oakeshott's Conservatism* (Exeter: Imprint Academic, 2010)

Public Lectures and Conference Papers

The Society for the Study of Early Christianity held a conference on 'The Real Picture of Jesus: Text and Image,' 8 May 2010, Macquarie University

Speakers included:

Professor Laurence Welborn, 'Laughing on the Cross: The Palantine Graffito and the Roman Mime'

▪ **Dr Don Barker**, 'The Turin Shroud – the Image of Jesus?'

▪ **Dr John Dickson**, 'The Image of Jesus? Television documentaries on Jesus'

▪ **Dr Chris Forbes**, 'Competing Contemporary Portraits of Jesus'

▪ **Dr Felicity Harley-McGowan**, 'Christ's Passion in 5th century Rome: formulating an iconography of crucifixion'

▪ **Professor Edwin Judge**, 'Does Iconoclasm reflect the word of Jesus?'

- **Mark Hebblewhite**, 'Chi-Ro, Sacramentum and Labarum – Christian Images and Rituals in the Roman Army'
- **Chris Malone**, 'The Image of Jesus as Warrior in the Fourth Century'
- **Dr John Pryor**, 'Jesus – Friend of Sinners'
- **Dr Ken Parry**, 'Be Upstanding: Images of Resurrection in Early Christian Art'
- **Professor Lucy-Anne Hunt**, 'Imprint and Image : The True Likeness of Christ in the Medieval Eastern Christian World'

21st International Congress of Historical Sciences, Amsterdam, 22-28 August, 2010

- **Stuart Piggin**, 'Power and Religion in a Modern State: Desecularisation in Australian Politics'.

History Seminar Series, University of Newcastle, August 2010

- **Kyle Harvey**, 'Prayer or protest? Fasting, nonviolence, and anti-nuclear activism in the United States,' History Seminar Series, University of Newcastle, August 2010.

The MQ Ancient Cultures Research Centre hosted a day-symposium, in collaboration with the Australian Catholic University Centre for Early Christian Studies, entitled 'Epistolary Conversations: Opening the Letter of Classical and Late Antiquity', on 15 December. The symposium was organised by Associate Professor Andrew Gillett, and MQ speakers included Dr Malcolm Choat and Dr Trevor Evans. Researchers from Australia, New Zealand, and Japan participated. The day was the first in a series of symposia on ancient letters run in collaboration by MQACRC and ACU-CECS.

CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS FOR 2011

'Corinth – Paul, People and Politics,' Society for the Study of Early Christianity Conference, 14 May, Macquarie University.

Speakers included: Michel Amandry, Paul Barnett, Brad Bitner, Thomas Blanton, Amelia Brown, Cavan Concannon, John Fitzgerald, Chris Forbes, Timothy Luckritz-Marquis, Julien Ogereau, Larry Welborn, David Wheeler-Reed, Bruce Winter

'Rethinking Australian Secularism', Workshop run by Steve Chavura and Ian Trenchenza at Robert Menzies College, Macquarie University, 30 September 2011.

POSTGRADUATE COMPLETIONS

Supervised by Alanna Nobbs

- **David Burge**, 'A comparative study of Epictetus, Philo and Peter' (PhD)

Supervised by Stuart Piggin

- **Martin Sims**, 'Campbell West-Watson, Primate of New Zealand: A Biographical Study with special reference to his Episcopal roles and his contribution to Ecumenism' (M.Phil)

CENTRE FOR THE HISTORY OF CHRISTIAN THOUGHT AND EXPERIENCE

The Centre has 16 students enrolled for postgraduate research on religious history. Apart from contributions from postgraduate students, the Centre's seminars in 2010 included papers from the following visitors and colleagues:

- **David Stoneman**, 'The 1836 Church Act: The expansion of Christianity or the imposition of "moral enlightenment"'.
"moral enlightenment".

- **John McIntosh**, 'The theological systems of Moore College Principals'.
- **Robert Banks**, 'And Man Created God: Investigating the Genesis, Development and Legitimacy of a Subversive Idea.'
- **Paul Oslington**, 'Adam Smith as Theologian.'
- **Bob Linder**, 'Australian evangelicals in the Second World War'
- **Larry Welborn**, 'Response to Economic Crisis among the Early Christians.'

Correspondent: Stuart Piggin, Macquarie University

UNIVERSITY OF TASMANIA

Publications relating to religion in Tasmania from the School of History and Classics, University of Tasmania

- A.V. Bailey**, 'The spiritual diary of a colonial Launceston Wesleyan Methodist', *Papers and Proceedings, Launceston Historical Society*, 2010, vol. 21, pp. 32-48.
- M.J. Bennett**, 'Quaker missions in Launceston and northern Tasmania,' *Papers and Proceedings, Launceston Historical Society*, vol. 21, 2010 pp. 11-21.
- L.F. Rowston**, 'The life of Samuel Cozens', *Papers and Proceedings, Launceston Historical Society*, vol. 21, 2010, pp. 57-62.
- E.K. Wilson**, 'Ineffable impudence?' Christian Brethren in Northern Tasmania, 1860s and 1870s', *Papers and Proceedings, Launceston Historical Society*, Vol. 21, pp. 49-56.

Publications from the Tasmanian School of History and Classics relating to religion, but *not* to religion in Tasmania.

K. Brittlebank,

- 'Among the unbelievers: "Non-Muslim" elements in Tipu Sultan's dreams', *South Asia: Journal of South Asian Studies*, vol. 33, part 1, 2010, pp. 75-86.
Note, relating to Ramya Sreenivasan, *The many lives of a Rajput queen: heroic pasts in India*, Seattle: University of Washington Press, 2007. *South Asia: Journal of South Asian Studies*, pp. 323-24.
- R.G. Ely**, 'William John Salter. A Victorian Baptist Minister: Two perspectives on his ministry, 1955 and 1974, with reflections arising from this: whether Protestantism is dead in the Baptist Union of Australia', *Our Yesterdays*, Vol. 18, Victorian Baptists and Victorian Society, 2010, pp. 21-40.

E.M. Freeman,

- A Cistercian monk writes to a Cistercian nun: John Godard's Treatise for the Abbess of Tarrant, England, c. 1250', *Cistercian Studies Quarterly*, vol. 45, no. 3, 2010, pp. 331-351.
- 'Aelred of Rievaulx', R G Dunphy (ed.), *Encyclopedia of the Medieval Chronicle*, (Leiden & Boston, 2010), pp.16-17.
- 'Annals of Reivaulx', RG Dunphy (ed) *Encyclopedia of the Medieval Chronicle*, (Leiden & Boston, 2010), p. 82.
- 'Ralph of Coggeshall', RG Dunphy (ed), *Encyclopedia of the Medieval Chronicle*, (Leiden & Oston, 2010), p. 1253.
- Review of Rosalind C Love (ed. and trans.), *Goscelin of Saint-Bertin. The hagiography of the female saints of Ely*', *Journal of Religious History*, vol. 34, no. 2, 2010, pp. 213-4.

M. Grubits, 'Things that are near though distant: extramarital affairs in Heian-Period Japan', *New Voices*, 3, 2010, pp. 23-42.

A.R. Page, "'No effort can be lost': the Unitarianism and republicanism of Ann Jebb (1735-1812)", *Enlightenment and Dissent*, 2010, 26 pp.

Petrow, S,

- 'Australia and New Zealand', in G Dal Pont (ed.), *Law of Charity*, (Sydney: Lexis/Nexis, Butterworths, 2010) pp. 81-90. (Book chapter)
 - England and the United States', in G Dal Pont (ed), *Law of Charity*, (Sydney: Lexis/nexis, Butterworths, 2010. Book chapter.
- A. Roy**, 'Living together in difference': religious conflict and tolerance in pre-colonial India as history and discourse', *South Asia: Journal of South Asian Studies*, vol. 33, no. 1, 2010, pp. 33-60.

Other publications relating to religion in Tasmania

Terese Binns, *Henry Hinsby: A distinguished apothecary of Hobart Town*, self published, October 2010.

A fairly detailed genealogically focussed and historically useful study. Hinsby was active as a deacon and lay preacher in the Harrington Street Baptist chapel. Proved to be ecumenical in the Baptist style, joining the Baptist Union in 1886. Not yet fully catalogued.

James Boyce, *Working for a just Tasmania: 25 Years of Anglicare*, Anglicare Tasmania, (Hobart: Anglicare Tasmania, c 2007) pp 48.

John Chick, (ed.), *50 Years: The Story of the Rosny chapel of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, 1958-2008*, (Morningson, Tasmania: 2008) pp. 422.

David Coad, *Port Cygnet, 1860-1900*, (Kingston, Tasmania: Self published, 2010) pp. 295.

Includes bibliography. Refers to Catholics and Protestants. The Catholic population, for historical reasons, is much beyond the Tasmania norm.

Leonard W. Dimmick, *On the Main Road*, (Glenorchy, Tasmania: Uniting Church, 2010) pp. 193 (Alternative title. *On the Main Road: the History of the Glenorchy Uniting Church*.)

Includes histories of St Matthews Presbyterian Church and Glenorchy Methodist Church.

John Currey (ed), Robert Knopwood, Port Phillip diary, 9 October 1803 — 31 January 1804. (Malvern, Victoria: Banks Society, 2009).

Introduction by Currey.

Jenny Gill, *Holy Trinity Church, Launceston: A History from 1838*, (Launceston, Tasmania: Holy Trinity Church, ca 2010).

Gwyneth Daniel, *A Walk round St Stephens Anglican Heritage Church, Wynyard*, (Wynyard: Willow Books, c 2010) pp. 17.

A guided tour with some history.

Gwyneth Daniel, *Handbook for Anglican Parish Councillors*, 2010 Cataloging in process.

Julie Kelley, & Leonie Beaumont, *The life and times of Woodbridge Anglican Church*, (Woodbridge, Tasmania: personally published, c 2090) pp. 76.

Relates to the churches of St Simeon and St Jude.

Richard Lord, *The Isle of the Dead, Port Arthur: Inscriptions on the headstones and historical background of the cemetery at the Port Arthur penal establishment, 1833-1877* (Taroona, Tasmania: Richard Lord and Partners, 2009).

The sixth edition of a book with cultural as well as genealogical interest.

Jan Paterson (text), Simon Barnard (drawings), *Beer, Tin and Salvation: William Street, Launceston in 1898* (Launceston, Tasmania: National Trust [Tasmania], 2009. 74 pp.

A copy, by Barnard, of the J Boag & Son mural on the Boag's Brewery building. Street life is represented, including the Salvation Army. Enterprising, with resonance.

L F Rowston, *God's country training ground: A history of the Yolla Baptist Church, 1910-2010*. (Hobart: Baptist Union of Tasmania, 2010) 39 pp.

Concise. Scholarly within limits imposed by the nature of documentary and other sources. Rowston is already a frequent dipper into the pond of Tasmanian Baptist local histories. In a personal communication he advises that his sights are set even higher. He is working 'on twelve church histories at the moment, those of the older Tasmanian Baptist churches of York Street, Perth, Deloraine, Longford, Launceston, Bracknell District, Latrobe, Sheffield, Devonport, Memorial, Wynyard and Smithton.' These are, not by happenstance, congregations researched in Rowston's Master's thesis on Spurgeon's students in Tasmania. This was recently submitted in the School of History and Classics of the University of Tasmania. Rowston also advises that, as a three year project, he is also working on the pastors of these churches — that is, 230 profiles. There should be a longer word than 'indefatigable' for Mr Rowston.

W. T. Southerwood, *Priceless Heritage: The Tasmanian Catholic community, 1772-2010* (St Leonards, Tasmania: Stella maris Books, 2010) 697 pp.

Father Southerwood's 28th book. It is chiefly an up-date revision and summary of research conducted since his appointment in 1967 by Archbishop Young as archivist and historian of the Catholic archbishopric of Tasmania. In years following, especially up to 1981, Southerwood was a prolific and compendious historian of Catholicism in Tasmania. He remained active historically, but thereafter gave more time to pastoral imperatives. This is, in substance, an unfootnoted summary, and sometimes revision, of much of his earlier research. Publication may partly reflect the fact that his earlier historical research is now long out of print. Partly it may reflect the hope that Catholics today may wish to reflect again on the distinctive of their history.

Terry Southerwood has long been known as a defender of what he considers rightful roles of priests in respect to bishops, and of laity in respect to priests. Perhaps he is better known for pastoral energy. Quite apart from pious parochial utilities noted in the preceding paragraph, this compendium has a place in the history of ideas of a distinctive kind among Tasmanian Catholics. This significance is foreshadowed at the conclusion of Southerwood's 'Introduction', whose gauntlet quality make this book challengingly more and other than a compendious and useful smoothing of often dying institutional pillows:

... a work of this nature cannot help but betray the mainly hierarchical, clerical and institutional bias which has been the prevailing model of Church until recent times. Only during the past few decades, with the notable exception of specifically lay organizations such as the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, have the laity taken their rightful place in ecclesial leadership ...

It is a question how far this agenda is a sub-text of *Priceless Heritage*. The historiographical implications, although expressed only here and there, make this a work of likely interest beyond Tasmania, which should, one might add, be read in conjunction with the writer's recent autobiography, 'The Child Won't Live'.

Pam Zopf, & Geoff Court, *From Iberia to Van Diemen's Land: A Cohen Family Odyssey* (Melbourne: P Zopf & G Court, c 2008), 287 pp.

Genealogical. The Cohens are a Jewish family.

Ulverstone Presbyterian Church, 1910-2010, (Ulverstone Presbyterian Church, 2010), 21 pp.

Updates the 75th anniversary booklet by Jacob & Jennifer Hendricks.

Correspondent: Richard Ely, University of Tasmania

UNIVERSITY OF NEW SOUTH WALES

Publications

Stefania Bernini, 'Family politics, the Catholic Church and the transformation of family in the Second Republic', in A. Mammone, G.A. Veltri (eds.), *Italy Today. The Sick Man of Europe*, Routledge, London, 2010.

John Gascoigne

- *Science, Philosophy and Religion in the Age of the Enlightenment: British and Global Contexts* (Ashgate, Variorum Series, 2010)
- 'The Religious Thought of Francis Bacon' in C. Cusack and C. Hartney (eds), *Religion and Retributive Logic: Essays in Honour of Professor Garry W. Trompf* (Leiden: Brill, 2010), pp.209-228
- 'Pacific Exploration as Religious Critique', *Paregon*, 27 (3): 143-52
- 'The Journal of Religious History 1960–2010: The Changing Face of Religious History over Fifty Years,' *Journal of Religious History* (Wiley Blackwells), 34 (3): 261-70
- 'Darwin and the British Natural Theology Tradition', *St Mark's Review*, No.211 (1): 35-42

Barbara Hendrischke

- 'Divination in the Taiping jing', *Monumenta Serica* 57, 2009, pp 1-70 (published in 2010)
- 'Early Daoist Ideas on Political Practice: How to Select and Control Government Officials' Daoism. *Religion, History and Society* 2, 2010: 1-35.

Julie Kalman, *Rethinking anti-semitism in nineteenth century France* (New York, Cambridge University Press) (short-listed for Victorian Premiers' Prize)

Geoff Nathan

- *Basileia. Imperium and Culture in Byzantium*. Papers in Honour of Elizabeth and Michael Jeffreys. (ed.), Melbourne: Byzantina Australiensa 17, 2010.
- "The Vienna Dioscorides' dedicatio to Anicia Juliana: A Usurpation of Imperial Patronage?" in G. Nathan, ed., *Basileia. Imperium and Culture in Byzantium*. Papers in Honour of Elizabeth and Michael Jeffreys. Melbourne: Byzantina Australiensa 17, 2010.

Ian Tyrrell

- *Reforming the World: The Creation of America's Moral Empire* (Princeton: Princeton University Press, 2010).
- 'Woman, Missions, and Empire: New Approaches to American Cultural Expansion,' in Barbara Reeves-Ellington, Kathryn Kish Sklar, and Connie Shemo, eds., *Competing Kingdoms: Women, Mission, Nation, and American Empire, 1812–1960* (Durham, NC: Duke University Press, 2010), pp. 51-83

Conference papers and presentations

Jean Taylor, "Muslim Women: Global Islam and Local Identities", Shalom College, Sydney Jewish Writers' Festival, 29 August 2010.

Anne O'Brien

- 'All the charities which man is bound to show': the Aborigines' Protection Society in colonial Australia, AHA Conference, Perth, July 2010
- 'History and Christianity' - Keynote panelist, 'Divining the past' Conference, Robert Menzies College, Macquarie University.
- Respondent to Public Lecture, Australian Catholic University, by Professor Edmund Campion on 'Rosemary Goldie AO', November, 2010.

Ph D Thesis completion

Frank Alafaci, *The Extreme Right in Australia with particular reference to Protestant Christianity, 1945-2001*.

Honours and Awards

John Gascoigne, (former editor of JRH) Scientia Professor, University of New South Wales.

Patricia Curthoys, Australian Religious History Fellowship, 2011, State Library of New South Wales.

Correspondent: Anne O'Brien, University of NSW

UNIVERSITY OF SYDNEY

The Department of Studies in Religion has maintained steady progress this year. We were especially pleased that the appointments of Dr. Christopher Hartney and Dr. Jay Johnston were made permanent at the start of 2010. At the same time, all offerings in Buddhist Studies were consolidated in the Department of Indian Subcontinental Studies, and our colleagues Dr. Edward Crangle and Dr. Paul Fuller were re-located there. We were sorry to see them go (all the way downstairs in the Woolley Building), but maintain close contact on many academic and social matters. In general, the Faculty of Arts is in a period of transition, and it will be interesting to see what changes 2011 will bring.

Iain Gardner has been Chair of Department. Jay Johnston as Undergraduate Coordinator, Carole Cusack as Honours Coordinator, Chris Hartney as Postgraduate Coordinator. In the second semester Carole was on sabbatical at the University of Edinburgh.

In staff news, it was especially pleasurable to start the year by celebrating the launch of the international *Festschrift* volume presented to **Emeritus Garry Trompf**, edited by Carole Cusack and Chris Hartney. This splendid event took place on the 23rd February in the Woolley Common Room. Full details of the publication appear below under 'Staff Publications'.

Warm congratulations to Carole Cusack, who was presented with the 2010 Vice-Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Research Higher Degree Supervision at the Friday 7 May graduation ceremony by the Chair of the Academic Board, Associate Professor Peter McCallum.

We have enjoyed a number of visitors during 2010. In May-June **Dr. Paul Dilley (Penn State University)** was in Sydney to work with Iain Gardner on his ARC project ('Digital Restoration and Edition of the Dublin Kephalaia'). They subsequently joined **Professor Jason BeDuhn of Northern Arizona University** for fieldwork at the Chester Beatty Library. In the second semester **Professor Geoffrey Samuels of Cardiff University** was the visiting Professor of Buddhist Studies, and we enjoyed his company on a number of occasions. Also in second semester we were pleased to welcome **Dr. Sakineh Rasuli from Teheran**, sponsored by the University for 12 months to work with Iain Gardner on Middle Persian texts.

The Department was also very pleased to host a Conference on: 'The Legacies of Theosophy: Unveiling Mysteries of the Creative Imaginary'. Organised by the Sydney Society of Literature and Aesthetics and the Society for the Study of Religion, Literature and the Arts, in conjunction with the Australian National Office of the Theosophical Society. 30 September 2010 - 3 October 2010.

Staff Publications

Books:

- C.M. Cusack, Christopher Hartney** (ed.), *Religion and Retributive Logic: Essays in Honour of Professor Garry W. Trompf*, E.J. Brill 2010. (Listing of staff contributions below).
C.M. Cusack, *Invented Religions. Imagination, Fiction and Faith*, Ashgate 2010.

Articles and Chapters:

C.M. Cusack and J.H. Prior

- 'Religion, Sexuality and Retribution: Placing the "Other" in Sydney', in *Religion and Retributive Logic*, 2010:347-368.
- 'Spiritual Dimensions of Self Transformation in Sydney's Gay Bathhouses', *Journal of Homosexuality*, Vol. 57, No. 1, 2010, pp. 71-97.

C.M. Cusack

- 'Science Fiction as Scripture: Robert A. Heinlein's *Stranger in a Strange Land* and the Church of All Worlds', in C. Hartney, A. Norman, and C.M. Cusack (eds), *Creative Fantasy and the Religious Imagination*, special issue of *Literature and Aesthetics*, 19.2, 2009: 72-91.
- 'Religion As Something Absolutely Ordinary', *Mentalites/Mentalities*, 24.1, 2010: 1-7.
- 'Sport', in Richard Hecht and Vincent Biondo III (ed.), *Religion in Everyday Life and Culture*, Vol. 3, Westport CT, 2010: 915-943.
- 'Sydney Society of Literature and Aesthetics', in Graham Oppy and Nick Trakakis (ed.), *Companion to Philosophy in Australasia*, Monash University Press, 2010: 528-529.
- 'The Church of All Worlds and Pagan Ecotheology: Uncertain Boundaries and Unlimited Possibilities', *Diskus*, 11, 2010: <http://www.basr.ac.uk/diskus/diskus11/index.html>.
- 'The Burry Man Festival, South Queensferry: Warding off Evil Spirits, Connecting With Nature, and Celebrating Local Identity', *Sydney Society for Scottish History Journal*, 13, 2010: 37-53.
- 'Fiction, Feminism and the "Celtic Church": The Sister Fidelma Novels of Peter Tremayne', in Pamela O'Neill (ed.), *Celts in Legend and Reality: Papers from the Sixth Australian Conference of Celtic Studies*, University of Sydney, July 2007. Sydney, 2010: 315-342.

- I. Gardner**, 'Towards an Understanding of Mani's Religious Development and the Archaeology of Manichaean Identity', in *Religion and Retributive Logic*, 2010: 147-158.

I. Gardner and J. Johnston

- 'The Liber Bartholomaei on the Ascension: Edition of Bibliothèque Nationale Copte 1321 f. 37', *Vigiliae Christianae*, 64, 2010: 74-86.
- 'The Passover Litany of the Liber Bartholomaei: Edition of Bibliothèque Nationale Copte 1321 f. 40', *Journal of Coptic Studies*, 11, 2009: 61-70.

C. Hartney

- 'Per Saturam or Performance? Seneca's *Initium Saeculi Felicissimi*: Ritual Hilarity and Millennial Closure in the Apocolocyntosis', in *Religion and Retributive Logic*, 2010: 167-185.
- 'With Spain in Our Hearts: The Political Fantastic of Guillermo del Toro's *Laberinto del fauno* (2006) and *El espinazo del diablo* (2001)', in *Creative Fantasy and the Religious Imagination*, 2010: 187-201.

J. Johnston

- 'Cyborgs and Chakras: Intersubjectivity in Scientific and Spiritual Somatechnics', in *Religion and Retributive Logic*, 2010: 313-322.
- 'Hermetic Embodiment: Angels and Intersubjectivity', in *The Body Unbound: Philosophical Perspectives on Embodiment, Politics and Religion*, eds. M. T. Mjaaland, S. Forgeirsdóttir O. Sigurdson, Cambridge Scholars Press, 2010: 183-195.
- 'Subtle Anatomy: The Bio-metaphysics of Alternative Therapies', in *Medicine, Religion and the Body*, eds. E. B. Coleman and K. White, E. J. Brill, 2010: 69-78.

Staff Conference Papers and Panels

XXth Quinquennial World Congress of the International Association for the History of Religions (IAHR), at University of Toronto, 15-21 August, 2010:

- **Carole M. Cusack** co-ordinated a session on 'Religion and Spirituality, on the Boundaries of Contemporary Culture: The Fantastic, the Fictional, and the Fabricated'. Her own paper was entitled: 'Approaching the Study of Invented Religions'.

Critical Reflections on Indigenous Religions, New College, University of Edinburgh, 27 November 2010:

- **Carole M. Cusack**, 'The Encounter Between Paganism and Christianity: Inventing "Indigenous" and "World" Religions in the Early Middle Ages'..

International Congress of Aesthetics, Peking University, Beijing, August 9-13, 2010:

- **Christopher Hartney**, 'Stanley Cavell and Beyond: Perfectionism an Popular American Cinema, circa 1999'.

CESNUR, 'Changing Gods: Between Religion and Everyday Life', Torino, 9-11 Sept. 2010:

- **Christopher Hartney**, 'Coming Home to Caodaism's Global Aims: Recent Political and Educative Developments of a Vietnamese New Religious Movement.'

Donner Instituute Conference, Religion and the Body, Åbo / Turku, June 2010:

- **Jay Johnston**, 'The Body in Wellbeing Spirituality: Self, Spirit Beings and the Politics of Difference'.

The Sophia Centre for the Study of Cosmology in Culture Conference, Bath Royal Literary and Scientific Institute, 24-5 July 2010:

- **Jay Johnston**, 'Astrological Healing: Subtle bodies, Subtle Material and Energetic Healing'.

Staff distinctions and Service to the Community

Christopher Hartney was elected **President of the Sydney Society of Literature and Aesthetics in February 2010**. He is now Editor of the Society's journal *Literature and Aesthetics* (with **Alex Norman**, the SSLA Vice-President). **Carole M. Cusack** has been appointed to the Editorial Board.

Carole M. Cusack has been appointed to the Editorial Board of the monograph series *Sophia Studies in Cross-Cultural Philosophy of Traditions and Cultures*, published by Springer.

Carole M. Cusack has been appointed Joint Series Editor (with **James R. Lewis** of Tromso University) of the Brill Handbooks of Contemporary Religion series.

Jay Johnston (and **Paul Hedges** from Winchester University) have been appointed as the new Co-Editors of the *Australian Religion Studies Review*.

Postgraduate and Honours Graduations

PhDs awarded during 2010

Alex Norman, 'Spiritual Tourism: Secular Understanding of the Self in the Mirror of Religious Practice'.

David Starling, 'Not My People: Gentiles as Exiles in Pauline Hermeneutics'.

Honours theses completed during 2010:

Venetia Robertson, 'The Animal that Therefore I am: Anthrozoomorphic Identity in the Online Therianthropy Movement'.

Eva Shepherdson, 'Hayao Miyazaki and the Re-enchantment of the Modern World: A Narrative which Transforms the Real'.

Simon Theobald, 'Without my iPhone, I'm lost!'.

Student Prize Winners (2009 awarded 2010)

Sarah BALSTRUP (G.S. Caird Scholarship II)

Simon THEOBALD (G.S. Caird Scholarship III)

Camilla CROSSING (Rachel McKibbin Prize)

Samuel MEENAHAN (John Cooper Memorial Prize – undergraduate)

Alex NORMAN (John Cooper Memorial Prize – postgraduate)

Studies in Religion Open Research Seminar

March 9:

Christopher Hartney: 'The Origins of "Religion", Cicero as "Comparative" Religionist'.

March 23:

Merrilyn Mansfield (PhD candidate): 'The Way of the Lord: A Baptist Oral Tradition'.

April 13:

Frances di Lauro (PhD candidate): 'Bruno Latini's Mentorship Character: Examining Dante's Punitive Systematics'.

April 27:

Zoe Alderton (PhD candidate): 'Gannets, Moses, and Gates: Exploring the Symbology of Colin McCahon'.

May 11:

Pheroza Daruwalla (PhD candidate): 'SEEDS - Raising Diasporic Altruism'.

25 May:

Sarah Penicka-Smith (PhD candidate): 'Four years on: The almost complete, not-quite-comprehensive first reception history of Robert Graves's *The White Goddess* (1948)'.

August 17:

Paul Terracini (PhD candidate): 'Moyes, Menzies and Vietnam - New Insights into the Correspondence Between the Prime Minister and the Bishops'.

August 31;

Elisha McIntyre (PhD candidate): 'Special Features: behind the scenes of religious comedy, or, what becomes of the fieldwork fantasy?'.

September 7:

Yvette Debergue (PhD candidate): 'Brother, can you spare a paradigm: A postgraduate journey through the quagmire of gender and heresy'.

September 12:

Renee Lockwood (PhD candidate): 'Corporate Religion: Locating the Spiritual in the Spiritless'.

October 5:

Johanna Petsche (PhD candidate): 'Accessing Planet Gurdjieff: My Experiences Writing on the Music of Gurdjieff & the Challenge of Interviewing Gurdjieffians'.

(On Sabbatical at the University of Edinburgh)

Carole M. Cusack, 'An Enlightened Life in Text and Image: G. I. Gurdjieff's Meetings With Remarkable Men (1963) and Peter Brook's Meetings With Remarkable Men'(1979)', Religious Studies Research Seminar, 3 November 2010.

Correspondent: Professor Iain Gardner, University of Sydney

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Centre for Early Christian Studies

2010 was another busy year for the Centre for Early Christian Studies at ACU.

Conferences

The sixth and final international conference on Prayer and Spirituality in the Early Church was held at ACU in Melbourne in July. The proceedings, "Politics and Religion", will be published by St Pauls Press at the end of this year. A new conference series, entitled The Early Christian Centuries, will be launched in 2013. The Asia-Pacific Early Christian Studies Society (APECSS) met this year in Melbourne to discuss future plans and collaborations, especially with our Japanese and Korean colleagues. Members of APECSS attended the Korean Studies in Religion conference in Seoul, in March 2010.

Grants

Chief investigators **Pauline Allen and Bronwen Neil** continued their work on the project *Crisis management in late antiquity: the evidence of Episcopal letters* (ARC Discovery Project 2010-2012), with the assistance of **Dr Stephen Lake** from University of Konstanz, as Research Associate. **Geoffrey Dunn** continued work on his project *The Clash of Sacred and Secular Authority in the Letters of Innocent I* (ARC Australian Research Fellowship 2007-2012). Dr Dunn has taken over as editor of the *Journal of the Australian Early Medieval Studies Association*. Volume 6 will appear next month.

Seminars and Publications

A volume of collected essays by members of the Centre entitled "Crisis Management in Early Christianity" will be published by Continuum publishers (UK and USA) in 2011.

A joint initiative with **Andrew Gillett at Macquarie University** resulted in the seminar "Epistolary Conversations" held at Macquarie on 15 November. Four members of CECS and three colleagues from Macquarie presented papers on letters and letter-writing from 250BC to the early medieval period. CECS and its partner institution Crossway College Brisbane (Baptist) organized an annual seminar of the Brisbane Seminar Group for the New Testament and Early Christianity at Crossway College in May 2010. The next seminar will be held at ACU in May 2011.

Teaching

The Centre continues to teach online language courses in Ecclesiastical Latin (A and B), New Testament Greek (A&B) and Biblical Hebrew. For further details please contact **Bronwen Neil** (bronwen.neil@acu.edu.au).

School of Theology

Publications of an Historical Nature

Ismail Albayrak, "The veneration of saints and sanctity in the Islamic tradition," in Alan Cadwallader(ed), *In the land of larks and heroes: Australian reflections on St Mary MacKillop*; (Hindmarsh:ATF Press, 2010).

Alan Cadwallader, "The Local and the Universal: Anglican Appreciation of the Saints and Mary MacKillop," *Australian eJournal of Theology* 15, (2010).

Geoffrey Dunn,

- "Deacons in the Early Fifth Century: Canonical Developments under Innocent I," in *Diakonia, Diaconiae, Diaconato, Semantica e storia nei padri della chiesa, XXXVIII Incontro di studiosi dell'antichità cristiana, Roma 7-9 maggio 2009, Studia Ephemeridis Augustinianum Augustinianum*, 117 (Rome; Institutum Patristicum Augustinianum, 2010).
- "Easter and the Battle of Pollentia", *Journal of Religious History* 34 (2010).
- "Roman and North African Christianity", in D.Jeffrey Bingham (ed), *The Routledge Companion to Early Christian Thought* (Abingdon, Routledge, 2010).

Bronwen Neil, "Models of Gift Giving in the Preaching of Leo the Great," *Journal of Early Christian Studies* 18:2 (2010).

Malcolm Prentis, "Binding or Loosing in Australasia: some trans-Tasman Protestant Connections", *The Journal of Religious History*, 34, 3, September, 2010.

Golding Centre (GC) for Women's History, Theology and Spirituality

Publications

Rosa MacGinley, "*An Eloquent Witness - The Sisters of Our Lady Help of Christians, Sydney*", St Pauls Publications, 2010. [This commissioned book was launched on the 10 October 2010 at the Catholic Institute of Sydney (CIS) by Bishop Geoffrey Robertson. The history of the Sisters of Our Lady Help of Christians as it emerges in this carefully researched book is both heroic and very human. It embraces work with the aboriginal people in the Kimberley area and pioneering missionary service on the tropical Palm and Fantom Islands off the northern coast of Queensland as well as the mundane ministry of service in the Manly and Springwood seminaries.]

Mary Clark, *Loreto in Australia*, Sydney, University of New South Wales Press, 2009.

The Australasian Catholic Record Vol 87. No 1, January 2010 had as its theme "Women Religious and Australian Culture". The lead essay was "Irish Women Religious and their Convent High Schools", **Rosa MacGinley**.

This was followed by:

- "The Contribution of Women Religious in Rural Australia", **Marie Crowley**;
- "Catholic Sisters and Australian Social Welfare", **Lesley Hughes**;
- "Australian Sisters of Mercy as Missionaries in Papua New Guinea: Following Paths of Mercy Beside Peoples of Ancient Melanesian", **Teresa Flaherty**;
- "Feminism and Women Religious", **Heather O'Connor**.

Celebration of Research

Each year the Golding Centre organises a colloquia day consisting of three colloquium. The idea is to encourage and celebrate research, especially recent doctoral theses particularly those of women researchers (often mature aged) but not exclusively and there are always some men in the group and not infrequently men presenters.

Another factor which informs the day is that it is organised to proceed in a leisurely manner. At the conventional conference papers are usually 20 minutes in length and often the allocated 10 minutes discussion is truncated. At the GC annual colloquia a 30-40 minute presentation is followed by conversation of approximately equal time led by someone who has a special interest in the subject. Each colloquium leads into a recess period such as morning tea etc.

The presentations for the 2010 Colloquia were based on the following theses:

- "Evelyn Underhill (1875-1941), religious writer, spiritual director and exponent of Christian spirituality", **Marie Crowley**
- "A History of Holy Cross College, Woollahra, 1908-2001: A Microstudy of Catholic education in the Archdiocese of Sydney in the Twentieth Century", **Janice Garaty**
- "Disorderly Women and the Order of God: An Australian Feminist Reading of the Gospel of Mark", **Michelle Connolly**

Research

Golding Centre Research is being undertaken in the following areas:

- Contribution of women religious congregations to the civic community in a regional area;

- History of the Sisters of Mercy of Australian in Papua New Guinea ,1956 – 2006;
- The Catholic community and women suffrage in Victoria, focusing especially on the Catholic Women's Social Guild;
- Women religious and institutional child care in Australia; contribution of a dedicated group of Anglican Women in the Anglican Sydney Dioceses to the production of an appropriate response to sexual abuse in the Anglican Church; the history of the Convent school in Australia.

Of Interest

Italians in Australia

Dr Stephano Girola, a Church history lecturer on the ACU Brisbane campus has published two books looking at various aspects of the Italian community in Australia. The first was *Veni Mittere – I have come to bring fire*, which commemorates fifty years of the Italian Catholic Federation (ICF) in Australia. The ICF was originally established in Melbourne to help Italian migrants to settle successfully in Australia by assisting them with work opportunities, social events and encouraging participation with their local Church.

The second book is titled *Nagoyo: The life of Don Angelo Confalonieri among Australian Aborigines, 1846-1848*. This book looks at the life and experiences of the first Catholic missionary in the Northern Territory. Dr Girola co-authored this publication and wrote the chapter on Catholic missions among Australian indigenous people in the 19th century. Born in 1813, Confalonieri was a diocesan priest who spent a few challenging years living alone among indigenous people in Australia. During this time he managed to acquire a good knowledge of the two local languages, Iwaidja and Garig. Unlike most missionaries, Confalonieri tried to follow the local indigenous groups in their movements and share as much as possible in their lives. He did however have a sense of cultural superiority.

Presently both books are only available in Italian but English translations are being considered.

Uniting Church Archives

The Uniting Church Archives in NSW/ACT has been through a change this year. The Synod of NSW/ACT has put the management under the Board of Education rather than with the Uniting Church Records and Historical Society as before, and the administration has moved to the Camden Theological Library at the Centre for Ministry at North Parramatta. The Archives' Library (of parish histories, biographies etc) has been integrated in the Camden and high-use records (e.g. church papers, minutes of assemblies and conferences, baptismal registers) are held on-site but bulk boxes of low-use records have been put into commercial storage and can be retrieved for a fee.

As part of the restructure, the renamed Uniting Church Historical Society will concentrate on Promoting church history, including through its journal, Church Heritage, public lectures and by recruiting volunteers for projects in the Archives.

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OBITUARIES

ALAN GILBERT (1944-2010)

When Alan and I were colleagues at UNSW in 1980 and 1981 his remarkable career was beginning its metamorphosis from distinguished scholar to outstanding administrator. Sadly, but very understandably, the two roles proved largely incompatible and this was to be reflected in his involvement with the Association for the *Journal of Religious History*, of which he was a member from 1975 to 1991 as well as serving as an Associate Editor for the journal from 1980 to 1991. His resignation in 1991 corresponded with his becoming vice-chancellor of the University of Tasmania and thereafter I remember his regretfully having to decline invitations to undertake tasks for the journal such as reviewing books. One of the many tragedies of his unexpected death of a heart condition at the age of sixty five, after he had retired as Vice-Chancellor of the University of Manchester, was that he had intended to return once more to the life of scholarship.

As an administrator he was determined to make a difference and once he had brought about major and lasting change he moved on to a new challenge. His administrative skills were honed while at UNSW (Kensington) from 1973 to 1981, before moving on to a chair at UNSW (ADFA) in 1981 which led to a term as acting rector and then a return to Kensington as Pro-Vice-Chancellor (research) from 1988-91. This provided the appropriate background for his first vice-chancellorship, at the University of Tasmania, Hobart from 1991 to 1995, where he oversaw the complex merger of the university with the Launceston-based Tasmanian State Institute of Technology. His success in doing so led to his appointment as Vice-Chancellor of the University of Melbourne from 1996 to 2004. Here he introduced some important innovations some of which were successful in positioning Melbourne near the top of the Australian academic league table though others, such as the short-lived Melbourne University Private (1998-2000), were less so. His reputation as an energetic and innovative academic leader led in turn to his appointment as the inaugural vice-chancellor of the University of Manchester where, as in Tasmania but on a much larger scale, he had to meld together two different institutions, the Victoria University of Manchester and the University of Manchester Institute of Science and Technology.

As a scholar, too, Alan brought to his work on the history of British religion considerable energy and a capacity for innovation. After taking a BA and MA in history at ANU (followed by a lectureship at the fledgling University of Papua New Guinea from 1967 to 1969) he graduated with a doctorate from Nuffield College, Oxford in 1973. This was an institution devoted to the social sciences and its character was reflected in Alan's doctoral thesis, "The Growth and Decline of Nonconformity in England and Wales with Special Reference to the Period before 1850: An Historical Interpretation of Statistics of Religious Practice" with its emphasis on weaving together history with insights from the social sciences and, as its title suggests, a strong emphasis on using quantitative evidence. The thesis provided the foundation for his acclaimed work, *Religion and Society in Industrial England: Church, Chapel and Social Change 1740-1914* (1976). This reflected the then buoyant condition of social history with its willingness to try new methods and to learn from the other disciplines especially sociology. In Alan's hands the study of religion became a way of grasping the broader contours of changes in English society as it underwent the momentous changes linked with that great watershed in human history, the Industrial Revolution. One of the major concerns of the work — the evaluation of the argument of the great French historian, Elie Halévy, that England avoided an equivalent of the French Revolution because the potential leaders of such a movement turned to Methodism with its emphasis on political conservatism — was the subject of an article in *The Journal of Religious History*: "Methodism, Dissent and Political Stability in Early Industrial England" (10, no. 4 (1979), pp.381-99). For Alan, radicalism in traditional English society, with its close linkage between the established church and the state, took on forms wider than parliamentary political activism: rejection of the established church in the manner of the Methodists was itself a form of radicalism which challenged the established order. Part of the impact of Alan's first book was the firm evidence that it provided in the form of statistics and this contribution to the field was strengthened by the work which he co-authored with his Oxford supervisor, Robert Currie (along with Lee Horsley), *Churches and Churchgoers: Patterns of Church Growth in the British Isles since 1700* (1977). One particular body of sociological theory in which Alan was especially interested was the work on secularisation, something which led to his last work, the short but innovative *The Making of Post-Christian Britain: A History of the Secularisation of Modern*

Society (1980). Thereafter Alan the scholar more and more had to give way to Alan the administrator though he was one of the four editors of the eleven-volumed, *Australians: A Historical Library* (1987), occasioned by the bicentenary of the establishment of European Australia in 1788. This led to the second of Alan's two articles in the journal, "Religion and the Bicentenary" (15, no. 1 (1988), 12-19.

Alan's, then, was a varied and highly productive career which was deservedly recognised by honours such as the award of the Officer of the Order of Australia in 2008. Whatever he undertook, whether as a scholar or an administrator, was the subject of his considerable energy and clarity of thought. He was determined to leave his mark whether in new ways of understanding our past or in new ways in which the traditional institution of the university could better serve its core functions of teaching and research in the future. Though as an administrator he could be very focussed and single minded as a colleague he was quite approachable and did what he could to help junior staff. He is survived by his wife, Ingrid (whom he married in 1967), daughters, Michelle and Fiona, and three grandchildren.

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MARLEY (J.F.M.D.) STEPHEN (1926-2010)

Marlay Stephen, who died on 24 July 2010, was a supporter of the *Journal of Religious History* from its inception. His luminous article on 'Liberty, Church and State: Gladstone's Relations with Manning and Acton, 1832-70' was published in the fourth number (December 1961). He became a member of the Association in 1964 and an Associate Editor in 1966, continuing in the latter position until 1982 and in the former to 1994. The qualities he showed as Associate Editor were those apparent also in his teaching and scholarship.

When he began as Associate Editor, he was Senior Lecturer in History at the University of Sydney. He had had a brilliant school and undergraduate career (first in the state in Leaving Certificate Modern History, 1943, honours in History, 1950). He was strong in both science and humanities and, at university, was attracted first to Medicine, but returned to History. In 1951 he went to Cambridge for research on Gladstone's ecclesiastical policies, from which the 1961 article derived. On his return to Sydney he taught for a time at the School of Pacific Administration before rejoining the History Department at Sydney in 1959.

His teaching was in British history. He was preoccupied with the great nineteenth-century issues: liberty and authority, church and state, the individual and the institution. John Gascoigne, a student in his second-year course, says: 'The debates were very real to him and he conveyed something of the intensity of feeling they provoked and often had a telling anecdote to give colour and vitality to the subject. The material was so familiar to him that he generally lectured without notes'. On his role in JRH, I have written elsewhere: 'In the JRH editorial group, he stood for the high style, the great tradition in historical writing'.

The article on Gladstone, Manning and Acton was characteristic in many ways. At the time, I was startled by the assertion that the Vatican Council of 1869-70 'was, in every sense, the crisis of the nineteenth century'. But for Marlay's purpose (to explore the point at which individual conscience abdicated before one kind of authoritarianism or another), it was powerfully illuminating. One senses that, in the triangular relationship, explored to a degree psychologically, politically and theologically, Marlay's sympathies were with Acton and his never-completed history of liberty. His quotation from Coleridge early in the piece throws light on his own position: 'He who begins by loving Christianity better than truth will proceed by loving his own sect or church better than Christianity and end in loving himself better than all'.

Marlay had in his career disappointments and frustrations. In scholarly controversy, he defended his views with courage, vigour and pertinacity, never abandoning what John Gascoigne calls his 'old fashioned courtesy'. To his friends he remains, not only a memorable personality, but a mind for which truth was the overriding imperative.

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