

Research Seminar on Anglicanism since 1688

Thursday afternoons in Hilary and Trinity, odd weeks

Lectures at 4 pm, Tea and Coffee from 3.45 pm.

venue: Pusey House, St Giles.

Conveners

Revd Dr Andrew Atherstone, Tutor in History and Doctrine and Latimer Research Fellow, Wycliffe Hall
Canon Prof Mark Chapman, Vice-Principal, Ripon College Cuddesdon; Professor of the History of Modern Theology, University of Oxford.

Revd Dr George Westhaver, Principal, Pusey House

This inter-disciplinary seminar is intended for those engaged in research in the history and theology of the Church of England and the other Anglican churches after 1688. It draws together scholars working on the political, institutional, theological, missionary, and social history of the Anglican churches both in Britain and throughout the world. We are keen to attract doctoral students and other researchers, both new and established. It is an informal atmosphere and allows scholars the opportunity to get to know other people working in the field and to share their ideas with one another.

1 February (3rd Week) – Stephen Edmonds (Curate, St Bartholomew's, Sydenham): “Anglo-Catholic Preaching on the Incarnation during the Great War”

This paper examines the ways in which Anglo-Catholic clergy responded to the First World War by preaching of the doctrine of the Incarnation, as the practical outworking of their sacramental system and a source of consolation for suffering and bereaved Christians.

15 February (5th Week) – Judith Maltby (Reader in Church History, University of Oxford): “Dame Rose Macaulay (1881-1958): Anglican Apologist”

“‘Take my camel, dear,’ said my aunt Dot, as she climbed down from this animal on her return from High Mass.’ This may be the most famous opening sentence in twentieth-century Anglophone fiction, from the great Anglican novel *The Towers of Trebizond* (1956). John Betjeman and Trevor Huddleston called the book (approvingly) ‘Anglican Propaganda’. But is it? And was its author, Rose Macaulay, ‘an Anglican apologist’?”

1 March (7th Week) – Peter Nockles (Honorary Research Fellow, University of Manchester): “Anglicanism on Trial: Mark Pattison and John Henry Newman – A Troubled Relationship?”

This paper explores the relationship and interaction between Mark Pattison (later Rector of Lincoln College) and John Henry Newman and the Oxford Movement. It argues that Pattison's later well-known embittered verdict on the Oxford Movement as revealed in his published *Memoirs* (1885) has overshadowed the contemporary evidence of the extent of his personal Tractarian allegiance and debt to Newman as well as his own creative part in advancing aspects of the the Tractarian agenda. Even Pattison's parting with Newman and failure to follow his mentor to Rome in 1845, while helping clear and pave the way for his own ‘lapse’ into Rationalism, did not entail a wholesale rejection of the Tractarian legacy but rather a re-application of Tractarian ideals of ascetical learning for secular scholarly ends. Pattison's relationship with Newman was complex and ambivalent but he retained in common with Newman not only a personal ascetical strain but (as revealed in his essay in *Essays and Reviews*, 1860) a rejection of what both perceived in their very different ways to be the ‘limitations’ of Anglicanism.