

# PUSEY HOUSE LIBRARY AND ARCHIVE NEWSLETTER

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## News & Notes

The Library will close for Christmas at 5.25 on 21st December and re-open at 9.30 on Thursday 3rd January.

During Advent the nativity scene pictured right will be visiting a different Oxford library each day, before ending up at Pusey in time for Christmas. Keep a lookout in your library and check out #OxfordPosada on social media throughout December to follow their travels.

Scriptorium study days are now taking place Tuesday-Thursday during term time, and will be continuing to take place during the Christmas vacation. Exact details of vacation Scriptorium sessions will be announced on:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/2253412458025777/>



## Help Wanted and Received

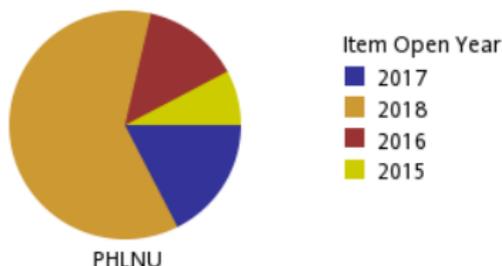
The Library would like a regular reader to join its **book purchase committee**, to make sure we buy the books you need. It's a light commitment (one email meeting each term), but will look great on your CV! For more information please contact [pusey.librarian@stx.ox.ac.uk](mailto:pusey.librarian@stx.ox.ac.uk).

The Library would like to thank all those who gave so generously to our October Crowdfunding campaign. You raised £2,595 which exceeded our target of £2,200. It is enough money to catalogue 419 books. That's about 14 shelves, 42 feet, three weeks' direct costs, and a lot of generosity.

Donors of £250+ were promised / threatened with a mention in the newsletter, so particular thanks to Fr Rod Hurst, Rector of Grace Episcopal Church of Carlsbad, New Mexico.

## Which Brings us to the Cataloguing Project...

### All items by year and month of creation



The Library has welcomed two new members of staff this term to catalogue the Library's collection of printed books. Expert cataloguer Philippa Taney joins us from the Bodleian Libraries, and library assistant Isobel Galek is a recent graduate of Keble College. Between them, they have already added 3,000 items, meaning that we now have more than 10,000 records online. This is a phenomenal achievement, and ahead of target.

There is a new project blog online at: [phlcatalogueblog.wordpress.com](http://phlcatalogueblog.wordpress.com) which will provide information about progress, as well as short articles on and photos of interesting and unexpected finds uncovered while cataloguing. So far the team has found part of the library of the Society of the Holy and Undivided Trinity, and a present which apparently left a certain monarch unamused.

# New Books

## A selection from MT18

Buchanan, C

*Anglican Eucharistic Liturgies*

Canterbury Press, 2011

Cruikshank, D

*From the sublime to the ridiculous*

ACHS, 2018

Henery, C

*Yankee bishops*

Lang, 2015

Isidore of Seville

*Sententiae (ACW 73)*

Paulist, 2018

MacCulloch, D

*Thomas Cromwell: a Life*

Allen Lane, 2018

Origen (ed. Behr)

*On First Principles*

OUP, 2017

Park, T

*Godly Communities of Sound Learning*

St Bega, 2018

Squire, G

*New Springtime*

Pendlebury, 2018

Salapatas, D

*Fellowship of St Alban and St Sergius*

Cambridge Scholars, 2018

Slinn, Sarah

*Education of the Anglican Clergy 1780-1839*

Boydell, 2017

Throup, M

*All Things Anglican*

CHP, 2018

Williams, R

*Christ the Heart of Creation*

Bloomsbury, 2019

A full list of 2018 acquisitions can be consulted at <https://bit.ly/2TMzIT0>



PH/Hawker

## I know what you did last summer

Thanks to a partnership with the Oxford University Internship Programme, I have spent a month as Pusey House Library and Archive's summer intern. My work consisted of two parallel projects: improving the catalogue records for the late nineteenth century 'Miscellanea' archives, and re-arranging the archive storage to maximise space. Under Anna's guidance I was introduced to a range of library tasks, from managing store rooms and cataloguing letters, to reshelving books and updating Twitter!

Throughout the internship, I was impressed by how the library's concentrated focus yields a surprising variety of material. My personal highlights from the archives include the papers of the eccentric Rev. Hawker - which contain sketches, photographs and other ephemera relating to the builder of Hawker's Hut at Morwenstow, now the smallest property owned by the National Trust. I have also enjoyed unpicking episodes of Pusey House's history, such as correspondence on the 'Hunter-Blair Incident' which documents how in 1907 a newly discovered letter by Dr Pusey was published, only for those at Pusey House to prove that the letter was incorrectly attributed to him.

Whilst immersing myself in the Pusey House collections, Anna had also arranged for me to go behind the scenes at a number of other institutions including: the Weston library's Rare Book department, University College archive, and even the Sherardian Library of Plant Taxonomy. Outside of Oxford, I undertook visits to UCL Special Collections and Lambeth Palace Library where I was able to see a range of treasures such as Oscar Wilde's own copy of *Salome* and the execution warrant for Mary Queen of Scots.

I would like to thank the community at Pusey House for letting me share in house life and all the readers I have met for their engaging conversations. Now that the online catalogues have been added and boxes have been arranged, I hope visitors will take full advantage of the increasingly accessible material offered by Pusey House.

Ruby Gilding

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