

**THE
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OF THE
CITY** **S^tJAMES
CHURCH**

ST JAMES' INSTITUTE



2013 PROGRAMME

welcome



The Rev'd
Andrew Sempell

Human beings grow in a number of ways; the most obvious being the physical, followed by intellectual and emotional development. As we grow through childhood, we are nurtured initially by parents, other family members and close friends, followed by peers and social institutions (such as schools, sporting clubs, cultural activities and the like). The fourth area of growth and development is a person's spiritual or religious life, which brings meaning, purpose and moral understanding.

As Christians, we are nurtured in our faith through involvement in worship, pastoral care, the mission of the church in society, and by education. Through the development of our skills in reading the Scriptures, prayer, spiritual reflection, knowledge of our history, and consideration of our ideas about God and the human journey, we have the opportunity to grow and become more the person that God wants us to be.

The St James' Institute provides us with a range of these opportunities in our own context, and is therefore a vital aspect of our activity as the people of God. As a subscriber to the Institute, you open yourself up to a range of opportunities for spiritual nurture and growth. I therefore encourage you to get involved and grow.

Andrew Sempell
Rector, St James' King Street



The Rev'd
Martin Davies

Welcome to our 2013 SJI activities. As well as the familiar seminar-style events, this year we also offer opportunities for study series groups, a debate, a pilgrimage, a book discussion group, a journal workshop, and an ongoing spirituality group with younger people in mind.

In all of this, we seek to interpret our core areas of Spirituality and Christian Living, Scripture, Anglicanism, Christian Faith, and Christianity and Contemporary Issues, to assist Christians in becoming better informed, articulate and confident about the life of faith.

Some of our presentations build on last year's topics, and others introduce areas which we will continue to develop throughout the 2013 programme. The inner journey is a recurring theme, and I welcome the opportunity to incorporate facilitation of a number of spirituality activities.

SJI's interaction with the arts continues with an early evening music seminar in the week prior to The St James' Choir's performance of Brahms' *German Requiem*. This year we present another of Karen Finch's biblical art talks, on the killing of Holofernes. Poetry also features this year. Come to hear, read (if you wish) and enjoy poetry, in preparation for World Poetry Day. Explore poetry as a theological genre in a later seminar.

Among a number of events looking at aspects of being Anglican in Sydney, we look at the relevance (then and now) of the Second Vatican Council for Sydney Anglicans. From time to time, we are able to host short-notice events of particular interest or importance. Keep an eye on the website www.sjks.org.au for regular updates.

Martin Davies
Director, St James' Institute

the programme

OUR VISION

To be

- more informed
- more articulate
- more confident

about our faith

OUR FOCUS

- Spirituality and Christian Living
- Engaging with Scripture
- Anglicanism
- The Christian Faith
- Christianity and Contemporary Issues

OUR ACTIVITIES

- **Sunday (and occasionally Saturday) Afternoons**
Usually a 2:00 – 4:00pm address and discussion.
Refreshments provided.
- **Saturday All Day**
Opportunities to engage with a subject at greater depth, with presentations from experienced and insightful leaders in their field. Catered lunch.
- **Weeknight Early Evening**
Conveniently timed after work, popular interest talks with light refreshments.
- **Weeknight Series**
Medium or longer term opportunities to study and engage with particular topics, with groups for spirituality, biblical, contemporary issues, and topical themes. 2013 also sees the return of a book discussion group.
- **Lunchtime Series**
Lent studies, scripture study, and other groups, at intervals through the year.
- **St James' Debates**
On the Edge of the Square, In the Heart of the City
Our free, early evening, topical inaugural Spring Debate, in St James' Church.

finding an activity of interest

SPIRITUALITY AND CHRISTIAN LIVING

- Spirituality in the City
- Easter Season Pilgrimage: Stations Around the Church
- Habits of a Lifetime: St James' Annual Retreat
The Rev'd Martin Davies
- Journal-Keeping
The Rev'd Martin Davies
- Advent Quiet Day

ENGAGING WITH SCRIPTURE

- Art and the Bible: The Killing of Holofernes
Karen Finch
- Sacred Reading: *Lectio Divina*
The Rev'd Martin Davies
- The Lamentations of Jeremiah
Dr Robyn Vern
- The Sunday Gospel in 2014: The Year of Matthew
- November Bible Studies
Sue Mackenzie

ANGLICANISM

- The Healing Ministry in the Church
The Rev'd Bruce McAteer, The Rev'd John Stewart,
Nanette Danks, The Rev'd John Spooner
- Transforming Mission
The Rev'd John Deane
- Vatican II: Lambeth and Sydney
Professor Raymond Nobbs and Dr Anthony Maher
- How are Anglicans to live as Christians in the
Emerald City: Some Theological Reflections
The Rev'd Dr Bruce Kaye
- Understanding Symbols
Associate Professor Michael Horsburgh AM
- In Conversation with Gloria Shipp
The Rev'd Gloria Shipp and Colleen Hodge

THE CHRISTIAN FAITH

- Book Discussion Group
Michael Casey, *The Road to Eternal Life*
- Lent Study Groups
- The Eucharist makes the Church
The Rev'd Dr Scott Cowdell
- Poetry as an Authentic Theological Genre
The Rev'd Eric Fairbrother
- St James' Talks
Ruth McCance and other St James' parishioners
- Musical and Theological Insights: Brahms' *German Requiem*
Warren Trevelyan-Jones and guest presenter

CHRISTIANITY AND CONTEMPORARY ISSUES

- St James' Debates:
Human Impact on the Environment
- Christianity in the Public Square
Associate Professor Michael Horsburgh AM
- Anticipating World Poetry Day
- God's Kingdom on Earth
Dr Anthony Jensen

event calendar

FEBRUARY

- Thursday 14 Spirituality in the City - Introduction
Thursday 14 Lent Study Groups begin around Sydney
Thursday 28 Book Discussion Group - Introduction

MARCH

- Sunday 3 Anticipating 21 March World Poetry Day

APRIL

- Thursday 18 Book Discussion Group – *continued*
Thursday 25 Spirituality in the City – *continued*
Saturday 27 Christianity in the Public Square

MAY

- Saturday 4 The Healing Ministry in the Church
Sunday 5 Easter Season Pilgrimage: Stations
Around the Church
Thursdays Sacred Reading: *Lectio Divina* – Series 1
begins. [May 2, 9, 16, 23, 30]
Saturday 11 Transforming Mission
Saturday 25 Gloria Shipp and Colleen Hodge in
Conversation

JUNE

- Sunday 2 The Eucharist Makes the Church
Sunday 16 Poetry as a Theological Genre

JULY

- Thursday 4 Musical and Theological Insights:
Brahms' *German Requiem*
Saturday 27 The 2013 St James' Talks

AUGUST

- Sunday 4 Art and the Bible: The Killing of Holofernes
- Wednesdays God's Kingdom on Earth – Series begins [Aug 7, 14, 21, 28, Sep 11, 18, 25, Oct 2]
- Thursdays Sacred Reading: *Lectio Divina* – Series 2 begins [Aug 1, 8, 15, 22, 29]
- Saturday 17 Vatican II: Lambeth and Sydney
- Thursday 22 The Lamentations of Jeremiah – Series begins

SEPTEMBER

- Friday 6 –
- Sunday 8 Habits of a Lifetime: St James' Annual Retreat
- Thursday 19 On the Edge of the Square in the Heart of the City: St James' Debates
- Saturday 28 Journal-Keeping

OCTOBER

- Sunday 6 Understanding Symbols
- Thursday 10 Understanding Symbols *repeated*
- Thursday 17 Understanding Symbols *repeated*
- Sunday 20 How are Anglicans to live as Christians in the Emerald City: Some Theological Reflections

NOVEMBER

- Thursdays Bible Studies: Incarnation and Judgement – Series begins [Nov 7, 14, 21, 28]
- Sunday 17 The Sunday Gospel in 2014: The Year of Matthew
- Saturday 30 Advent Reflection Day at Balmain

SPIRITUALITY IN THE CITY

Thursday 14 February 6:30 to 8:30pm, then the 4th
Thursday in the month, beginning 25 April, 6:30 to
8:30pm

At its simplest, Christian spirituality is the lived experience of faith. *Spirituality in the City* offers an opportunity for guided reflection on the contemporary experience of following Christ on the journey into life with God and God's creation.

Since Christian spirituality is not just a dimension of the Christian life, but is the Christian life itself lived in and through the presence and power of the Holy Spirit, it concerns absolutely every dimension of life: mind and body, intimacy and sexuality, work and leisure, economic accountability and political responsibility, domestic life and civic duty, the rising costs of health care, and the plight of the poor ...

Michael Downey, *Understanding Christian Spirituality* (Paulist Press, 1997)

Spirituality in the City meets monthly, and is intended for people in the 20s to 50 age range – the young, the young in faith, the young-ish rediscovering the ways and claims of faith in life.

Fr Martin Davies will guide the new SJI group, *Spirituality in the City*. For most of his ordained ministry, Fr Martin has been involved in leading reflection days and retreats, and offering spiritual direction and accompaniment. More recently, he co-mentored a NZ diocesan spiritual formation course. Martin greatly values the Benedictine inheritance of Anglicanism, still applicable in many dimensions of life and the church.



Cost: Small occasional donation for refreshments

Venue: St James' Hall, Level 1, 169 Phillip St, Sydney

BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP

Thursday 28 February, 18 April, then the 2nd
Thursday of every month from 9 May, 7:30 – 9:00pm

Michael Casey's *The Road to Eternal Life* contains remarkable insights into human life. Through his reflections on the Prologue of St Benedict's Rule for Monasteries, Fr Michael unearths a mixture of common sense and spiritual wisdom that serves as an excellent basis for all Christians who want to make an adequate place for spiritual perspectives in life.

The author, Fr Michael Casey OCSO is a Cistercian monk of Tarrawarra Abbey, Victoria. He has written numerous books on Benedictine themes, and is much in demand as a teacher within monasteries and more widely.

Cost: Gold coin for supper expenses, and at your own expense (aprox \$30), a copy of Michael Casey, *The Road to Eternal Life: Reflections on the Prologue of Benedict's Rule* (Liturgical Press/John Garratt Publishing: 2011). Available from Pauline Books & Media, Castlereagh St, Sydney:
www.paulinebooks.com.au

Venue: Very close to inner city on major rail route.
Address provided on registration

LENT STUDY GROUPS

Study Book: Doug Stevens, *Homeward Bound*, \$10: available from February at St James' Church after Sunday services and from the Parish Office.

Registrations: institute@sjks.org.au or Parish Office 8227 1300

VENUES:

CITY

St James' Hall, Level 1, 169 Phillip Street, Sydney

Led by Fr Andrew Sempell

Study book: *Homeward Bound*

Thursdays 14 February to 14 March inclusive, 1:00 to 2:00pm

BALMAIN

St John's Balmain, corner Birchgrove Road and Spring Street

Led by Fr James Butt

Study book: *Homeward Bound*

Wednesdays 20 February to 20 March inclusive, 7:30pm beginning with Eucharist

BEXLEY NORTH

At the home of Carole Gordon: *Address given on registration*

Study book: *Homeward Bound*

Wednesdays 20 February to 20 March inclusive, 2:00 to 3:00pm

BURWOOD

St Paul's Church, 205 Burwood Road, Burwood

Study book \$20: available from Fr James Collins

Scott Cowdell, *God's Next Big Thing: Discovering the Future Church*

Either Wednesdays from 13 February, 11:30am or Thursdays from 14 February, 7:30pm

CHATSWOOD

At the home of Fr John Stewart: *Address given on registration*

Study book: *Homeward Bound*

Mondays 18 February to 18 March inclusive, 10:00 to 11:30am

CREMORNE

St Peter's Church (Armstrong Room), 29 Waters Road, Cremorne

Study book: *Homeward Bound*

Choose either:

Tuesdays from 19 February to 19 March inclusive, 7:30pm or

Wednesdays 20 February to 20 March inclusive, 11:00am

PADDINGTON

[Time and place to be announced]

RANDWICK

At the home of Anthony Jensen: *Address given on registration*

Study book: *Homeward Bound*

Wednesdays 20 February to 20 March inclusive, 8:00 to 9:00pm

TURRAMURRA

At the home of John Welch: *Address given on registration*

Study book: *Homeward Bound*

Wednesdays 20 February to 20 March, 1:00 to 2:00pm

ANTICIPATING WORLD POETRY DAY

Sunday 3 March, 2:00 to 4:00pm

Poetry is all around us. Sometimes the experiences and sights of life call for more than rational discourse, and it seems that only poetry has the ability to form the words we need. Poetry works its way deeply into us in many of the hymns we sing.

Perhaps you have a favourite poem – religious or otherwise. Bring it along. Join us for an informal gathering of reading and listening to poetry.

Poetry lifts the veil from the hidden beauty of the world,
and makes familiar objects be as if they were not familiar.

Percy Bysshe Shelley (1792–1822)

Cost: \$20 (\$10 full-time student & Centrelink pensioners) including refreshments.

Venue: St James' Hall, Level 1, 169 Phillip St, Sydney

CHRISTIANITY IN THE PUBLIC SQUARE

Saturday 27 April, 10:00am to 4:00pm

What voice should religion, and particularly Christianity, have in public life?

Are Christians entitled to speak out in a secular society?

What about the separation of church and state?

In any case, who speaks for the church?



Associate Professor Michael Horsburgh AM, is a longstanding parishioner of St James' and has been active in diocesan and national church affairs in various ways. He is a diocesan reader and a regular preacher at St James'. A regular contributor to the Institute's programme, he was formerly head of Social Work at the University of Sydney and chair of the Academic Board of the Sydney College of Divinity. He has also been chair of the Anglican Board of Mission.

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Cost: \$50 (\$25 full-time students & Centrelink pensioners) including morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea.

Venue: St James Hall, Level 1, 169 Phillip Street, Sydney

THE HEALING MINISTRY IN THE CHURCH

Saturday 4 May, 10:00am to 4:00pm

The anointing with oil can...be understood as a consecration on the way of one's deepest truth, going through a Gethsemane alone. To be anointed is to seek courage to lay oneself open completely to the love and will of God, even if it involves a cup you would choose not to drink.

Jim Cotter, *Healing – more or less* (Cairns Publications, 1987)



Fr Bruce McAteer



Fr John Stewart

Fr Bruce McAteer (Rector, St Luke's, Mosman), Fr John Stewart (Associate Rector, St James' King Street), Nanette Danks (St James' King Street parishioner) and Fr John Spooner (Hon. Assoc. Priest, St James' King Street) will share their perspectives and experience of the healing ministry within the life of the church. The day concludes with a celebration of the Eucharist for healing.

Cost: Gold coin. Tea and coffee provided; bring own lunch.

Venue: St Luke's Church, corner Ourimbah Rd & Heydon St, Mosman

EASTER SEASON PILGRIMAGE: STATIONS AROUND THE CHURCH

Sunday 5 May, 2:00 to 4.00pm

Christians are accustomed to making the Stations of the Cross, particularly during the Season of Lent. This devotion grew as an alternative for people who were unable to go on pilgrimage to the Holy Land itself. What might an Easter Season pilgrimage to Stations around the Church look like?

Discover St James' Church – our building to house the Church – as a place of pilgrimage. See the church through the eyes of a pilgrim, as we look, stop, reflect and pray at places within the building that are of special religious, social and personal importance.

This shortest of pilgrimages marks the beginning of further pilgrimages planned for 2014 and successive years. We hope you will join us in making discoveries about places of faith in and around Sydney.

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No cost. Refreshments to follow in the Crypt; gold coin donation appreciated.

Venue: St James' Church, King St, Sydney

TRANSFORMING MISSION: A PRACTICAL EXPLORATION OF ANGLICAN MISSIOLOGY IN THE 21ST CENTURY

Saturday 11 May, 2:00 to 5:00pm

The word 'mission' invokes varying understandings. In a presentation designed to stimulate thinking about how the church continues to respond to the call of God in the wider world, John Deane will explore the Anglican Church's historical and contemporary engagement with mission.

Current situations from across the Anglican Communion will be used to illuminate the impact and challenges of contemporary mission. This is a presentation for anyone who is keen to explore their understanding of mission and concern for the actions of the church in the broader community.



Fr John Deane is the Executive Director of the Anglican Board of Mission - Australia, a member of the AusAID Committee for Development Cooperation and an Honorary Associate Priest at St James' King Street.

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Cost: \$30 (\$15 full-time students & Centrelink pensioners) including refreshments.

Venue: St James' Hall, Level 1, 169 Phillip St, Sydney

SACRED READING: *LECTIO DIVINA*

Thursdays of May and August, 1:00 to 2:00pm

The slow, prayerful reading known as *Lectio Divina* has several phases or movements, during which the reader allows the reading (*lectio*) or hearing of the text to linger in the mind (*meditatio*), descend to the heart in prayer (*oratio*), and find a place of rest in prayer beyond the need for words (*contemplatio*).

Not a study, nor a utilitarian reading [*lectio divina*] focuses on the entry into the heart of the Word of God with all the power of the Spirit. It is a sacramental time, full of the presence of God through his word.

Francis Kline, *Lovers of the Place*, (Liturgical Press, 1997)

Fr Martin Davies leads two series on *Lectio Divina*, where the focus will be the following Sunday's Gospel reading.

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Cost: \$10 per series, includes materials and refreshments.

Venue: St James' Hall, Level 1, 169 Phillip St, Sydney

IN CONVERSATION WITH GLORIA SHIPP

Saturday 25 May, 2:00 to 4:00pm

2013 is the 20th Anniversary of the beginnings of Reconciliation Week. The week is fittingly held within 27 May - Referendum Day, and 3 June - Mabo Day, with the later addition on 26 May of Sorry Day.

To mark the beginning of the Week of Prayer for Reconciliation, Colleen Hodge talks with The Rev'd Gloria Shipp. In the course of the afternoon we will visit the commemorative plaque in the baptistery of St James' King Street.



The Rev'd Gloria Shipp is a priest in the Diocese of Bathurst. A central theme linking the diverse aspects of her ministry is her work to empower people and encourage transformation. Her involvements include weekly Elders groups, Juvenile Justice Centre chaplaincy, and camps for the Indigenous community.



Colleen Hodge has extensive experience serving the Anglican Board of Mission – Australia, the Brotherhood of St Laurence and the National Council of Churches in Australia, and as a consultant member of the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Anglican Council. Her experience also includes executive membership of the Australasian Religious Press Association and editor of the *ARPA Bulletin*.

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Cost: \$30 (\$15 full-time students & Centrelink pensioners), including refreshments.

Venue: St James' Hall, Level 1, 169 Phillip St, Sydney

THE EUCHARIST MAKES THE CHURCH

Sunday 2 June, 2:00 to 4:00pm

At a time when Australian Anglicanism is becoming both more evangelical and more broad church, with its catholic tradition dwindling and volatilising, the Eucharist risks losing its central place in our Christian imagination. Current 'Emerging Church' enthusiasms attempt to repackage Christian worship under the sway of market forces, and the Eucharist—the strangest and most mysterious of rites—is not at the forefront of what is emerging. Yet the early Church was made by the Eucharist and this central Christian practice remains a rich focus of everything that Christianity entails: about God and Christ, about the resurrection and the new creation, and about the meaning and purpose of our own lives, both individually as Christians and together as the Church. Join Canberra-based theologian Fr Scott Cowdell for an afternoon of reconnection with the beating heart of what it is to think and live as Christians, and with the wellsprings of Catholic Anglicanism.



The Rev'd Dr Scott Cowdell is Research Associate Professor in Public and Contextual Theology at Charles Sturt University, and Canon Theologian of the Canberra-Goulburn Anglican Diocese. He is the author of seven books exploring the interface between Christianity and contemporary culture, most recently *René Girard and Secular Modernity: Christ, Culture, and Crisis* (Notre Dame, IN: University of Notre Dame Press, 2013).

Cost: \$30 (\$15 full-time students & Centrelink pensioners), including refreshments.

Venue: St James' Hall, Level 1, 169 Phillip St, Sydney

POETRY AS AN AUTHENTIC THEOLOGICAL GENRE

Sunday 16 June, 2:00 to 4:00pm

An afternoon of readings and conversation with poet theologian, Erice Fairbrother.



The Rev'd Erice Fairbrother AHC, is vicar of a parish in the diocese of Waiapu NZ, Chaplain to the NZ Benedictine Associates of the Order of the Holy Cross, and an educator in formation and in ministry standards in the diocese. She has previously held the positions of Director of Distance Education and Training in the Church, Director and co-founder of the CAIRANZ Pastoral Supervision Formation and Training Programme, and teacher/innovator of a Contextualised Formation in Spiritual Direction Programme. Erice spent her sabbatical developing her original proposal of poetry as an authentic theological genre, at the conclusion of which she presented her Christological cycle of poems in readings in Hamilton, Napier and Auckland. Erice continues to have poetry, liturgy and essays published both in NZ and overseas.

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Cost: \$30 (\$15 full-time students & Centrelink pensioners), including refreshments.

Venue: St James' Hall, Level 1, 169 Phillip St, Sydney

MUSICAL AND THEOLOGICAL INSIGHTS: BRAHMS' GERMAN REQUIEM

Thursday 4 July, 6:15 to 8:00pm

On Saturday 13 July, The Choir of St James' will perform *Ein deutsches Requiem*, Brahms' *German Requiem*. Join Warren Trevelyan-Jones and a guest presenter for this early evening seminar, to discover the uniqueness of this Requiem from a religious perspective, and learn something of the work from a performance perspective.



Warren Trevelyan-Jones is the Head of Music at St James'. Before taking up this appointment in 2008, he was a member of the choir at Westminster Abbey. His career in church music spans over 25 years, together with experience as a professional singer that has taken him around the world. He has been involved in the making of over 40 CD recordings, and has worked as a singing teacher and music therapist.

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Cost: \$30 (\$15 full-time students & Centrelink pensioners), including refreshments.

Venue: St James' Hall, Level 1, 169 Phillip St, Sydney

THE 2013 ST JAMES' TALKS

Saturday 27 July, 1:00 to 5:00pm

The St James' Talks are part of the Patronal Festival at St James' King Street. They are presented by members of the St James' community or those associated with the parish. This year **Ruth McCance** and others will speak about the impact of faith on the course of their life.



Cost: \$30 (\$15 full-time students & Centrelink pensioners), including refreshments.

Venue: St James' Hall, Level 1, 169 Phillip Street, Sydney

ART AND THE BIBLE: DEPICTING THE KILLING OF HOLOFERNES IN THE BOOK OF JUDITH

Sunday 4 August, 2:00 to 4:00pm

Artemisia Gentileschi (1593 – c.1653) was a contemporary of Carravaggio, and the daughter of well-known Roman painter, Orazio Gentileschi. She was the only woman of the period to receive recognition as a painter in her lifetime. Her work is characterised by the depiction of strong women, often with Biblical themes, which stems from the trauma of being raped by her father's assistant, the subsequent public trial and notoriety that ensued.

Her depictions of the Judith and Holofernes story are markedly different from those of male painters, both of her time and in later periods. This seminar will examine the history, brief comparative analyses of other works, and a detailed analysis of Gentileschi's Judith paintings.



Karen Finch presents this seminar, following her enthusiastically received 2012 talk on Marc Chagall's *White Crucifixion*. Karen is the Communications and Publicity Coordinator at St James'. She has an MA in Art History. Karen is a sixth generation Australian Jew.

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Cost: \$30 (\$15 full-time students & Centrelink pensioners), including refreshments.

Venue: St James' Hall, Level 1, 160 Phillip St, Sydney

GOD'S KINGDOM ON EARTH

Eight consecutive Wednesdays (excluding 4 September) from 7 August, concluding 2 October, 6:15 to 7:30pm

The Global Financial Crisis, Credit Crunch and Occupy Movement have brought about a questioning of capitalism's institutional structures, and consideration of alternative sustainable business models. This series of discussions is designed to support Christian thought on these issues. The discussions trace the evolution of the promise of the Kingdom of God from ancient times to the present, exploring the link between natural law, religious teaching, practice and ethics in contemporary society, and whether the Kingdom of God can be defined as a political concept. This series pursues questions arising from the SJI 2012 forum, God & Mammon.



Dr Anthony Jensen is an advocate of the liberating and society-changing potential of employee ownership and workplace democracy, and has developed this in an Ethics of Ownership online course in the University of Wales. Dr Jensen's research findings into democratically owned and managed businesses in Spain, Italy and the USA, have been taken up by the UK and Australian Governments. Following his doctorate, he became an online lecturer at Oxford University. He currently lives in Sydney where he teaches at the Business School, University of Sydney. He is a parishioner of St James' King Street.

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Cost: \$60 (\$30 full-time student & Centrelink pensioner) or \$10 per session, including refreshments.

Venue: St James' Hall, Level 1, 169 Phillip St, Sydney

VATICAN II: LAMBETH AND SYDNEY

Saturday 17 August, 10:00am to 3:00pm

What has the Roman Catholic Second Vatican Council got to do with (Sydney) Anglicans? Fifty years after its opening, this seminar reflects on the broad scope of the Council Documents, and implications for Anglicans, then and now.



Professor Raymond Nobbs holds Masters degrees in Arts and Theology, and a PhD in History. He was Dean of the Sydney College of Divinity, from 1994 to 2007, prior to which he was Senior Lecturer in the School of History, Philosophy and Politics at Macquarie University. He has served as Chair of the Committee of Deans of Theology. His current research is the Lambeth Conferences.



Dr Anthony Maher has a degree in Theology from the University of Durham, a Masters in Religious Studies from the University of Lancaster, and a Diploma in Social, Political and Economic Ethics from Plater College, Oxford. His PhD in Pastoral Theology is from the Australian Catholic University. Anthony taught theology, philosophy and ethics at Newman College, Birmingham, before becoming Head of Pastoral Theology at the Catholic Institute of Sydney. His current research includes ecclesiology and pastoral ministry.

Cost: \$50 (\$25 full-time students & Centrelink pensioners), including morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea.

Venue: St James' Hall, Level 1, 169 Phillip St, Sydney

HABITS OF A LIFETIME: ST JAMES' ANNUAL RETREAT

Friday 6 – Sunday 8 September, from 5:00pm on Friday until 2:30pm on Sunday

The St James' Parish Annual Retreat is an eagerly anticipated event, held at the beautiful St Mary's Towers Retreat Centre and its restorative surroundings, at Douglas Park.

Habits in our lives can be both good and bad. The Retreat will lead participants into a simple but sustaining framework by which the human striving for balance in the face of life's many demands might be within reach.

Fr **Martin Davies** is this year's Retreat conductor. Before becoming Director of St James' Institute, Fr Martin had widespread experience in leading retreats for diocesan groups, monastery associates, clergy, and ordination candidates.

Transport can be arranged to the Retreat Centre.

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Cost: \$190 (including 2 nights accommodation & meals). If the cost of the retreat would prevent you from attending, please contact SJI as we want the retreat to be accessible to all.

Venue: St Mary's Towers Retreat Centre, Douglas Park

ON THE EDGE OF THE SQUARE IN THE HEART OF THE CITY

St James' Debates: Human Impact on the Environment

Thursday 19 September, 6:30 to 8:00pm

This debate on the human impact on the environment is the first in of SJI Spring (and from next year) Autumn Debates.

Watch the website www.sjks.org.au and *Parish Connections* for updates for this inaugural event.

Cost: To be advised

Venue: To be advised

JOURNAL-KEEPING

Saturday 28 September, 10:00am to 4:00pm

Oscar Wilde famously said that he liked to have something interesting to read on the train - his journal. The purpose of journal writing is not to record our sensational happenings or to foster self-absorption. One value of keeping a journal is the recording of the ordinary events of our lives, to assist reflection on our life's patterns and direction.

This one day workshop will explore different types of journal writing, with each section of the day being introduced by some explanation, music, and a brief meditation. Be sure to register early, as numbers for the day are limited.

Fr Martin Davies will lead the workshop. His journaling teacher and mentor over a number of years in Christchurch NZ was Sydney-born Dr Margaret Maclagan. Through her, Martin's chief journaling influences are Ira Progoff and May Sarton.

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Cost: \$50 (\$25 full-time students & Centrelink pensioners), including morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea.

Venue: The Crypt of St James' Church, King St, Sydney

UNDERSTANDING SYMBOLS

Choose either Sunday 6 October, 2:00 to 4:00pm, or Thursdays 10 & 17 October, 1:00 to 2:00pm

Our churches and ceremonies are full of symbols; some we recognise, others we don't.

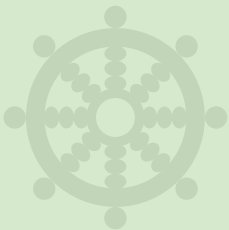
Why do we use symbols? Are they really necessary?
How do they help us?

What do they mean?

This is another in Associate Professor Michael Horsburgh's *Understanding...* series.

Cost: \$30 (\$15 full-time students & Centrelink pensioners), including refreshments.

Venue: St James' Hall, Level 1, 169 Phillip St, Sydney



HOW ARE ANGLICANS TO LIVE AS CHRISTIANS IN THE EMERALD CITY: SOME THEOLOGICAL REFLECTIONS

Sunday 20 October, 2:00 to 4:00pm

What might the average Sydney-sider make of Anglican engagement or withdrawal in social justice and political issues? What does our stance disclose about our understanding of the character of the church?



The Rev'd Dr Bruce Kaye was General Secretary of the Anglican Church of Australia from 1994 to 2004. After studying in Sydney and taking his doctorate in Basel, he held a post in the University of Durham in the UK for twelve years before returning to the University of New South Wales. Dr Kaye is the author of a number of books, editor of further volumes, as well as author of over sixty journal articles. He is the foundation editor of the *Journal of Anglican Studies*.

Cost: \$30 (\$15 full-time students & Centrelink pensioners), including refreshments.

Venue: St James' Hall, Level 1, 169 Phillip St, Sydney

NOVEMBER BIBLE STUDIES: INCARNATION AND JUDGEMENT

Thursday 7, 14, 21 & 28 November, 1:00 to 2:00pm

Spend an hour each week during November to study the Bible, as a preparation for Advent and Christmas.



Sue Mackenzie has written and conducted many Bible studies, and again leads this year's November series. Sue is a retired teacher, having been Head of Geography at Sydney Grammar School and previously a tutor in the Department of Geography at the University of Sydney. She is a parishioner of St James' King Street.

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Cost: \$10 for the series, including handout materials and refreshments.

Venue: St James' Hall, Level 1, 169 Phillip St, Sydney

THE SUNDAY GOSPEL IN 2014: THE YEAR OF MATTHEW

Sunday 17 November, 2:00 to 4.30pm

In 2014, the Gospel of Matthew is the basis of the three-year cycle of Scripture readings at the Sunday Eucharist. The evangelist presents Jesus' teaching in five great discourses, beginning with the Sermon of the Mount. Join us for this seminar as a preparation to hear the Gospel afresh over the course of next year.

Watch the website www.sjks.org.au and *Parish Connections* for updates on our guest presenter.

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Cost: \$30 (\$15 full-time students & Centrelink pensioners), including refreshments.

Venue: St James' Hall, Level 1, 169 Phillip St, Sydney

ADVENT REFLECTION DAY AT BALMAIN

Saturday 30 November from 10:00am to 4:00pm

Join us for this popular day of reflection before December's demands take hold.

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Cost: \$50 (\$25 full-time students & Centrelink pensioners) including lunch, morning and afternoon teas.

Venue: St John's Church, corner of Birchgrove Rd and Spring St, Balmain



registration form / tax invoice

Send to: St James' Institute ABN 43 445 299 430
Level 1, 169 Phillip Street, Sydney NSW 2000

or fax to: (02) 9232 4182

It is possible to register 'at the door', but first priority is given to those registering in advance. Registering in advance helps us with catering and logistics.

STEP ONE: CHOOSE YOUR ACTIVITIES

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(please circle)

Register me for a Season Ticket for all activities (except for the St James' Retreat) \$150 \$75

or

Register me for:

(Events with no registration charge, marked '-', may require participants to buy books or make a gold coin donation. Please check event detail page.)

<input type="checkbox"/>	Spirituality in the City	-	-
<input type="checkbox"/>	Lent Study Groups	-	-
<input type="checkbox"/>	Book Discussion Group	-	-
<input type="checkbox"/>	Anticipating World Poetry Day	\$20	\$10
<input type="checkbox"/>	Christianity in the Public Square	\$50	\$25
<input type="checkbox"/>	The Healing Ministry in the Church	-	-
<input type="checkbox"/>	Easter Pilgrimage: Stations Around the Church	-	-
<input type="checkbox"/>	Sacred Reading: <i>Lectio Divina</i> – Series 1	\$10	\$10
<input type="checkbox"/>	Transforming Mission	\$30	\$15
<input type="checkbox"/>	Gloria Shipp and Colleen Hodge in Conversation	\$30	\$15
<input type="checkbox"/>	The Eucharist Makes the Church	\$30	\$15
<input type="checkbox"/>	Poetry as a Theological Genre	\$30	\$15
<input type="checkbox"/>	Brahms' <i>German Requiem</i>	\$30	\$15
<input type="checkbox"/>	The 2013 St James' Talks	\$30	\$15
<input type="checkbox"/>	Art and the Bible: The Killing of Holofernes	\$30	\$15
<input type="checkbox"/>	God's Kingdom on Earth	\$60	\$30
<input type="checkbox"/>	Sacred Reading: <i>Lectio Divina</i> – Series 2	\$10	\$10
<input type="checkbox"/>	Vatican II: Lambeth and Sydney	\$50	\$25
<input type="checkbox"/>	The Lamentations of Jeremiah	-	-

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<input type="checkbox"/>	St James' Annual Retreat	\$190	\$190
<input type="checkbox"/>	St James' Debates	tba	tba
<input type="checkbox"/>	Journal-Keeping	\$50	\$25
<input type="checkbox"/>	Understanding Symbols, 6 Oct (2 hours)	\$30	\$15
<input type="checkbox"/>	Understanding Symbols, 10 & 17 Oct (2 x 1 hour)	\$30	\$15
<input type="checkbox"/>	How are Anglicans to live as Christians in the Emerald City	\$30	\$15
<input type="checkbox"/>	Bible Studies: Incarnation and Judgement	\$10	\$10
<input type="checkbox"/>	The Year of Matthew	\$30	\$15
<input type="checkbox"/>	Advent Reflection Day at Balmain	\$50	\$25

STEP TWO: PAY FOR YOUR REGISTRATION

I enclose a cheque payable to 'St James' Church' for \$_____

or

Please debit my: Visa Mastercard for \$_____

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Name on card: _____ Expiry date: /

Signature of cardholder: _____

STEP THREE: GIVE US YOUR DETAILS

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____ Mobile: _____

Email _____

Please tick if you require a receipt

oversight and operations

Advisory Committee

Professor Phillip Jones, Chair

Operational Group

Christopher Roper, Convenor

general information

Enrolments

A registration form is included and they can also be downloaded from the parish website: www.sjks.org.au

Receipts

A formal receipt will be issued on request.

Cancellations

Refunds may be requested up to four working days prior to an activity. Refunds are not available after the activity has commenced. We reserve the right to cancel or re-schedule an activity, or to change speakers or revise content.

Discounted concessions

A discount of 50% is available for Centrelink pensioners, full-time students, and the unemployed. A 10% discount for seniors card holders is available for Season Tickets only. Contact us if you wish to seek a discount but are not in one of these categories.

Car parking

Parking is available in the Cook & Phillip carpark (\$10 after 5pm) and the MLC Centre (accessible from King Street between Pitt & Castlereagh Streets).

Getting to St James' by public transport

St James' is within one block of St James' and Martin Place underground railway stations. Buses to the city stop generally within a few blocks of St James'.

Finding us

Most of our seminars are held at St James' Hall, on Level 1 of 169 Phillip Street, Sydney. The building is near the corner of King and Phillip Streets, next to the old Sydney University Law School building.

Participants with physical disabilities

At St James' Church there is a disabled access toilet in the crypt. At St James' Hall (169 Phillip Street) the toilets are in the stairwell and only accessible by stairs. There is a disabled access toilet in the basement of St James' Hall, accessible by lifts.

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