

LAMBETH PALACE LIBRARY EVENTS

May – July 2019

Tuesday 4 June, 5.30pm (admittance not before 5pm)

Dr Jean-Pascal Pouzet (University of Limoges and CESC, Poitiers): ‘The Library of Richard Holdsworth (1590-1649): New Light on the Manuscripts’.

Richard Holdsworth – academic, preacher, theologian and bibliophile – bequeathed his entire library to the University of Cambridge, comprising more than 10,000 volumes (some 185 manuscripts, 215 incunables and 9,695 printed books). On its arrival in 1664, this amounted to a second foundation of Cambridge University Library, but it has barely been studied at all. This presentation offers a survey of current research on the collection, together with the first tangible results on Holdsworth’s manuscripts, set within a broader frame of reflection about the process of bibliographic and bibliophilic creation.

In association with the University of London research seminar on the History of Libraries. All are welcome, but those wishing to attend should book a free ticket at <https://jeanpascalpouzetlambeth.eventbrite.co.uk>, or email melissa.harrison@churchofengland.org not later than Friday 31 May.

Tuesday 2 July, 6pm (entrance not before 5.30 pm)

Judith Maltby and Alison Shell, ‘Excellent Women: the tradition of Anglican female novelists’.

What do the novelists Charlotte Brontë, Charlotte M. Yonge, Dorothy L. Sayers, Rose Macaulay, Barbara Pym, Iris Murdoch and P.D. James have in common? These women, and others, were inspired to write fiction through their relationship with the Church of England. This talk, given by the co-editors of the essay collection *Anglican Women Novelists: From Charlotte Brontë to P.D. James* (Bloomsbury) will explore the relationship between Anglicanism, fiction and women’s writing, and be followed by a launch for the book.

All are welcome, but those wishing to attend should book a free ticket at <https://judithmaltbyalisonshelllambeth.eventbrite.co.uk> or email melissa.harrison@churchofengland.org not later than Friday 28 June.

Monday 8 July, 4pm (admittance not before 3.30pm)

Annual General Meeting of the Church of England Record Society, followed by a public lecture by Professor Stephen Taylor (Durham University): ‘Why study the history of the Church? Reflections on English history from the 17th to the 19th century.’

All are welcome, but those wishing to attend should book a free ticket at <https://coerecordsocietylambeth.eventbrite.co.uk> or email melissa.harrison@churchofengland.org not later than Tuesday 2 July.

Wednesday 17 July, 2.30pm (admittance not before 2pm)

Annual General Meeting of the Friends of Lambeth Palace Library, followed by a lecture by Professor Nicholas Vincent: ‘Translating Becket: New Themes, New Meanings in the Life and Afterlife of St Thomas of Canterbury 1170-2020’.

Professor Nicholas Vincent (University of East Anglia) has published widely on English and European history in the twelfth and thirteenth centuries, most recently on King John and Magna Carta. This lecture anticipates the 850th anniversary of Becket’s martyrdom next year and will be accompanied by a display of related manuscripts from the Library’s collections.

This meeting, open to Friends of Lambeth Palace Library, will be followed by tea. Friends should book in advance with Melissa Harrison, Lambeth Palace Library, melissa.harrison@churchofengland.org or telephone 020 7898 1400, not later than Tuesday 2 July.

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<http://www.lambethpalacelibrary.org/content/friends>