The School of Alexandria

Subject Information

The School of Alexandria, founded by St Mark the Evangelist, is the oldest and most renowned of the Christian schools in the early Church. The School of Alexandria developed the first system of Christian theology and the allegorical method of exegesis.

The Lecturer – Dr John Behr

The Very Rev Dr John Behr, an internationally acclaimed patristics scholar, will lead the School of Alexandria winter intensive over three weekend workshops in June and July.

Dr Behr teaches SVOTS courses in patristics, dogmatics and scriptural exegesis. He also lectures in patristics at Fordham University.

Dr Behr, a distinguished Oxford scholar, will deliver high calibre content on the works of Origen, St Athanasius and St Cyril from the Alexandrian School.

St Athanasius College Partnerships

St Athanasius College (SAC), a leader in Oriental Orthodox theology and member of the University of Divinity, presents The School of Alexandria study unit in partnership with Yarra Theological Union (YTU).

The School of Alexandria unit consolidates the University of Divinity’s collaborative partnerships, locally and internationally, and a commitment to research excellence.

Leading Patristics Scholar

Dean of St Vladimir’s Orthodox Theological Seminary (SVOTS), the Very Rev Dr John Behr, will visit Australia for the first time to lead the subject. Dr Behr lives in New York and is a Professor of Patristics.

Icon of St Mark the Evangelist, founder of the School of Alexandria © 2013 Ashraf Gorges.

Origen, St Cyril and St Athanasius

The unit will examine three of the key figures in the School of Alexandria – Origen, St Athanasius and St Cyril – and relate them to the historical development of theology and to the controversies which they engaged with.

Discover the world of Origen, St Athanasius and St Cyril through an exploration of their writings and gain a unique understanding of their theological contribution.

The abiding issues in scriptural exegesis and systematic theology and the historical and contemporary problem of the split between the Eastern and Oriental Churches will also be addressed in the study intensive.
Enrolment Process

**STEP 1**  Choose Course Mode

UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES
Diploma, Advanced Diploma, Bachelor
Unit code: CH1415A (Level 1)
Unit code: CH2415A (Level 2)

POSTGRADUATE STUDIES
Graduate Diploma, Masters
Unit code: CH91415Y (Level 9)

AUDIT OR STUDY SINGLE SUBJECT
Unit code: CH1415A (Level 1)

**STEP 2**  Contact Us

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**STEP 3**  Enrolment

Enrolment forms are online at www.sac.edu.au
For support ring Dr Dobson on 03 8872 8452.

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How to Enrol and Plan for the Study Unit

**STUDY INTENSIVE ARRANGEMENTS**

**WEEKEND 1**
Friday 24 June (7pm – 10pm)
Saturday 25 June (9am – 3pm)
Sunday 26 June (2pm-5pm)

**WEEKEND 2**
Friday 1 July (7pm – 10pm)
Saturday 2 July (9am – 3pm)
Sunday 3 July (2pm-5pm)

**WEEKEND 3**
Friday 8 July (7pm – 10pm)
Saturday 9 July (9am – 3pm)
Sunday 10 July (2pm-5pm)

**CATERING**
Complimentary tea /coffee will be provided each day. Lunch will be served on the Saturday workshops. Cost by donation.

**ACCOMMODATION**
Limited onsite accommodation is available. The cost is by donation.

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