

Research Day - 7 June 2017

Centre for Theology and Ministry, 29 College Crescent, Parkville

9:00am	Arrival	12:50pm	Lunch* <i>Served in the Auditorium Foyer</i>
9:15am	Welcome and Introduction <i>Wyselaskie Auditorium</i>	1:30pm	Session Three - Plenary Wendy Mayer <i>Wyselaskie Auditorium</i>
9:35am	Session One - Opening Plenary Sean Winter <i>Wyselaskie Auditorium</i>	2:15pm	Session Four Six parallel streams, three successive papers (15 papers)
10:20am	Morning Tea* <i>Served in the Auditorium Foyer</i>	4:00pm	Close
10:35am	Session Two Six parallel streams, four successive papers (24 papers)		

*Tea/Coffee is available from the kitchen all day. Please help yourself.

PLENARIES

Sean Winter, chaired by Mary Coloe
Wendy Mayer, chaired by Mark Brett

SESSION TWO - SHORT PAPERS

	Lecture Room G01	Lecture Room G02	Lecture Room G03	Lecture Room G04	Wyselaskie Auditorium	S09 Library Seminar Room
<i>Chair</i>	<i>Deborah Guess</i>	<i>Alan Niven</i>	<i>Frances Baker</i>	<i>Mark Lindsay</i>	<i>Catherine Playoust</i>	<i>Cal Ledsham</i>
10:35am	Deborah Kent	Anne Mallaby & Libby Byrne	Kerrie Handasyde	Luke Hopkins	Chris Monaghan	Paul Daniels
11:10am	Janet Duke Warner	Brian Gallagher	Glen O'Brien	Cecilia Tan	Grant Buchanan	Konstantin Tringas
11:45am	Maggie Kappelhoff	Michelle Eastwood	Katharine Massam	Clement Papa	Michael Golding	Chris Mulherin
12:20pm	Anne Elvey	Rina Madden	Michael Salib	Jacob Joseph	Carolyn Alsen	Scott Kirkland

SESSION FOUR - SHORT PAPERS

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<i>Chair</i>	<i>Maggie Kappelhoff</i>	<i>Katharine Massam</i>	<i>Scott Kirkland</i>	<i>Anne Elvey</i>	<i>Kris Sonek</i>	<i>Anne Mallaby</i>
2:15pm	Libby Byrne	Peter Sherlock	Mark Lindsay	Deborah Guess	Stephen Curkpatrick	Roger Whittall
2:50pm		Abraam Mikhail	Gerald O'Collins	Jonathan Cornford	Amir Malek	Elissa Roper
3:25pm	Rob Nyhuis		Amanda Smith	Gordon Preece		Kathleen Alleaume Ross

OPENING PLENARY SESSION

WYSELASKIE AUDITORIUM

Sean Winter The Effects of the Historical Jesus: Table-Fellowship as Test Case

SESSION TWO

LECTURE ROOM G01

Deborah Kent The search for a Catholic Identity
Janet Duke Warner An analytical method in an Autoethnographic PhD thesis based on Quaker practice
Maggie Kappelhoff The Marks of the Church as 'Gift and Task': A Paradigm for the Twenty-First-Century Church
Anne Elvey Thinking the human tragedy of war ecologically

LECTURE ROOM G02

Anne Mallaby & Libby Byrne An Ordinary Gift: the work of art as theological conversation
Brian Gallagher Discernment of Spirits in the Ministry of Spiritual Direction
Michelle Eastwood Shame and Ageing: A Feminist Reading of Psalm 71
Rina Madden What are teachers' beliefs about their students as spiritual beings? *and* How do these beliefs impact their pedagogy?

LECTURE ROOM G03

Kerrie Handasyde Picturing urban poverty: the cinematographe, the magic lantern and The Salvation Army
Glen O'Brien John Wesley and The Evolution of Divine Right Ideology
Katharine Massam Narratives of continuity and change: shaping histories for the future
Michael Salib Preaching in the Coptic Church in the 19th and 20th Centuries

LECTURE ROOM G04

Luke Hopkins Anglican Ecclesiology in Australia and Cyprian of Carthage
Cecilia Tan Beyond the fray of divisive politics: Insights from Bernard Lonergan, sj
Clement Papa Doing Praxis theology in Melanesia: An application of Bernard Lonergan's theology of redemptive history to contemporary social concerns in Papua New Guinea (PNG)
Jacob Joseph Liturgy, Mission and the Margins: An Orthodox Perspective

WYSELASKIE AUDITORIUM

Chris Monaghan Synoptic Studies: Where to from here?
Grant Buchanan Identity and Human Agency in Galatians 5 & 6
Michael Golding Indiscriminate, unreciprocated gift in Seneca and some implications for Paul's approach to giving
Carolyn Alsen Veiled Resistance: The Cognitive Dissonance of Vision in Genesis 38

SEMINAR ROOM S09

Paul Daniels Cruciform Aesthetics: Tragedy as Revelation in Nietzsche and von Balthasar
Konstantin Tringas Habermas and Taylor on the Need for Secular Reasons in the Public Sphere
Chris Mulherin A Christian Philosophy of Science?
Scott Kirkland The Aesthetics of Politics: Barth's Romans

PLENARY SESSION

WYSELASKIE AUDITORIUM

Wendy Mayer Religion, violence, and the brain: A neuro-cognitive explanation

SESSION FOUR

LECTURE ROOM G01

Libby Byrne Life within the person comes to the fore: Pastoral care workers' perspectives on using arts in palliative care

Rob Nyhuis Formation for mission of CRC ministers in Australia: a history, a case study and a vision

LECTURE ROOM G02

Peter Sherlock Theological Education in Australia and the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse

Abraam Mikhail A Patristic Response to the Problem of Pleasure: A Voice from Alexandria

LECTURE ROOM G03

Mark Lindsay Jewish-Christian Dialogue from the Underside: The Correspondence between Markus Barth, Michael Wyschogrod and Emil Fackenheim, 1962-1984

Gerald O'Collins The Scriptures as Inspiring; The Case of the New Testament

Amanda Smith Karl Rahner: Experiencing God

LECTURE ROOM G04

Deborah Guess The quest for the geographical Jesus: an eco-theological critique of the priority of history

Jonathan Cornford Towards a Theological Reading of Historical Capitalism

Gordon Preece Soundings in Secularism & Post-Secularism: Habermas and His Interlocutors

WYSELASKIE AUDITORIUM

Stephen Curkpatrick Moby-Dick and reflections on some contemporary traumas

Amir Malek A 12th Century Coptic Commentary on Genesis

SEMINAR ROOM S09

Kathleen Alleaume Ross Using Literature as a Theological Tool

Elissa Roper Authentic relations for the Body of Christ: the Church as the Family of God

Roger Whittall Yves Congar, Martin Luther, and the Common Priesthood

ENGAGE

You are invited to engage on Twitter during the day. Join the conversation using the hashtag #ResearchUD and the handle @UniDivinity.



THE CENTRE FOR RESEARCH IN RELIGION AND SOCIAL POLICY

The Centre for Research in Religion and Social Policy (RASPC) provides a means of engaging with the issues of the contemporary world by stimulating research and engagement activity across the institution and by building external partnerships. In 2017 RASPC is focusing research efforts in three areas. They will be informed by indigenous, inter-generational, gender diverse, multicultural and multi-religious sources and dialogue.

ECOLOGY

Theologically, our earthly home (oikos) or Creation is intrinsically 'good', beautiful and purposeful, abundant yet finite. This sits in tension with a rising sense of the fragility, scarcity and exploitation of these qualities. Belief in nature as infinite raw material for utilitarian quantification and commodification threatens Creation. It is urgent that humankind connects a theology of cosmic reconciliation with the practical urgency of the plight of the earth and the poor, as victims of violence and injustice. The positive reception to Pope Francis' lyrical *Laudato Si'* encourages us to develop further the Yarra Institute's religiously based research into social policy for the flourishing of creation.

ECONOMY

Economy also comes from the root oikos, both linked to and enveloped by ecology. It is not reducible to mere economic prosperity or growth (GDP). RASPC encourages research into a more social and ecological economy which sustains a dynamic relationship between the two dimensions. This will be expressed in two primary projects: Critical turning or crisis points in the history and future of capitalism; and the increasingly global phenomenon of precarious or fragile work threatening sustainability of current models of work, family and community life.

WELLBEING

The language of wellbeing is increasingly moving into religion's traditional realm. It potentially integrates the personal, communal and political through more holistic and spiritual approaches to the mysteries of illness, death and the nature of human life than current western medical models. Key generational and historical injustice issues to be addressed include indigenous inequalities, aging, youth unemployment, domestic violence, abuse, and mental illness. The religious quest for flourishing (e.g. shalom, abundant life) connects with these pressing wellbeing issues and their ecological, economic and spiritual causes. Such healing contributions could help restore the sense of safety, transparency and authenticity of the church's pastoral practices and services to society amidst pressures towards secularisation, privatisation and centralisation.

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COMING SOON... WWW.CONVERSATION.DIVINITY.EDU.AU

The University's geographical spread means that it is challenging to bring staff together beyond the community of each College.

[CONVERSATION.DIVINITY.EDU.AU](http://WWW.CONVERSATION.DIVINITY.EDU.AU) will create an opportunity for conversation, not only by sharing thought-provoking contributions to theological scholarship, pedagogy and research, but also by encouraging dialogue and critical interaction.

The site will aim to bring members of the University, especially academic staff, into conversation with one another. It will publish original material and may republish or link to items from blogs, social media and news media.

Submissions will be encouraged at any time from academic staff, honorary researchers, and higher degree by research students of the University. Some contributions may be commissioned from time to time.

Contributions may include:

- critical reflection on teaching theology;
- abstracts of recent research publications and research outcomes;
- examples of theology in action in churches and communities;
- reports on new units or courses or recent conferences;
- debate about current initiatives at the University and its Colleges; and
- extended responses to other contributions.

END OF LIFE CHOICES: VOLUNTARY EUTHANASIA & ASSISTED SUICIDE IN VICTORIA

29 June 2017, 5.45-7.45pm
Collins Street Baptist Church

The Centre for Research in Religion and Social Policy presents its inaugural Annual Public Forum.

A conversation, hosted by John Cleary, between world-renowned bioethicists Professor Peter Singer (Princeton University and the University of Melbourne) & Professor Margaret Somerville (University of Notre Dame, Sydney and formerly McGill University, Montreal). Register at centrerasp.org.

