

LAMBETH PALACE LIBRARY EVENTS

March – July 2019

Thursday 21 March, 6pm (admittance not before 5.30pm)

Philippa Bernard: ‘A Look at London’s Religious History: From the Romans to the Present Day’.

Author, historian and former antiquarian bookseller, Philippa Bernard’s new book, *Mithras to Mormon*, is about the religious history of London over 2,000 years. In conversation with Giles Mandelbrote, she will discuss the challenges and fascination of researching a book for the general reader on such a wide-ranging subject.

All are welcome, but those wishing to attend should book a free ticket at <https://philippabernardlambeth.eventbrite.co.uk>, or email melissa.harrison@churchofengland.org not later than Friday 15 March.

Thursday 4 April, 6pm (admittance not before 5.30pm)

Dr Leonie James (University of Kent): ‘Lambeth under Laud - new perspectives on the archbishop and his household’.

Although William Laud is one of the most controversial archbishops ever to have lived at Lambeth, relatively little is known about his life as a private individual and we are even less familiar with his role at Lambeth Palace. Leonie James will open up both of these topics, providing a fresh perspective on Laud and showing what life was like at the Palace while he was head of the household. This talk will be accompanied by a small display of material relating to Archbishop Laud from the Library’s collections.

All are welcome, but those wishing to attend should book a free ticket at <https://leoniejameslambeth.eventbrite.co.uk>, or email melissa.harrison@churchofengland.org not later than Friday 29 March.

Wednesday 8 May, 6pm (admittance not before 5.30pm)

Robin Myers: ‘Dr Andrew Ducarel, Lambeth Librarian 1757-85, seen through his brother’s eyes’.

Andrew Ducarel, the eldest of three Huguenot brothers, was a successful ecclesiastical lawyer, Librarian at Lambeth, historian of the palaces of Lambeth and Croydon and of the architecture of Normandy. In Robin Myers’s new book, *The Two Brothers*, it is his younger brother James who takes centre stage, writing letters to Andrew in London about his life in France.

All are welcome, but those wishing to attend should book a free ticket at <https://andrewducarellambeth.eventbrite.co.uk>, or email melissa.harrison@churchofengland.org not later than Friday 3 May.

Thursday 9 May, 2pm-3.15pm (admittance not before 1.45pm)

Tour of the historic buildings of Lambeth Palace, led by the Librarian, Giles Mandelbrote.

Numbers limited to 15 and open to Friends of Lambeth Palace Library only, who should book in advance with Melissa Harrison, Lambeth Palace Library, melissa.harrison@churchofengland.org or telephone 020 7898 1400, not later than Friday 3 May. Please note that Morton's Tower is reached by a medieval spiral staircase.

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.

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 Friday 5 July.

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