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The Season Ticket cost covers the full year of activities (except for the Parish Retreat and Pilgrim Course booklets) and represents excellent value.

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STEP ONE: Choose your ticket type

- Standard.....\$170
 Concession\$150

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Direct payment to: Churchwardens St James' Church General A/C, BSB 032 007, A/C 250025.

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Martin Luther and J S Bach

The Very Rev'd Andreas Loewe

J S Bach scholar and dean of St Paul's Cathedral Melbourne, Dr Andreas Loewe, presents a lecture on the work about to be performed by the Choir of St James', marking Bach's immense contribution to Lutheran church music, on this occasion honouring the 500th anniversary of Luther's famous theses and their place in the Protestant Reformation.

Saturday 28 October, 3:00pm to 4:30pm

St James' Hall

\$30/\$25

Rector's Series

The Rev'd Andrew Sempell

The Rector is sure to entertain and stimulate us as usual, with food for the soul and the mind. Details will be provided closer to the date in the Pewsheets and online.

Thursday 9, 16, 23, 30 November, 6:30pm to 8:00pm

St James' Hall

\$60/\$50 for series or \$20 per session, includes light meal

Advent Reflection

The Rev'd Canon Peter Yeats

The Rector of St John's Balmain will lead us in a day of quiet reflection to mark the eve of Advent.

Saturday 2 December, 10:00am to 4:00pm

St John's Balmain, Cnr Birchgrove & Spring Streets

\$70/60, includes morning and afternoon teas, and lunch

Advent Studies: Pilgrim Course – Church and Kingdom

The Rev'ds Andrew Sempell and John Stewart

Option 1: Monday 27 November; 4, 11, 18 December, 10:00am to noon (Clergy House, Chatswood)

Option 2: Tuesday 28 November; 5, 12, 19 December, 1:00pm to 2:00pm (St James' Hall)

\$10 booklet cost

Contact SJI

St James' Hall, Level 1, 169–171 Phillip Street, Sydney NSW 2000.

Telephone: (02) 8227 1305 Bookings: registrations@sjks.org.au

THE HEART OF THE CITY ST JAMES' CHURCH

ST JAMES' INSTITUTE



2017 PROGRAMME

About St James' Institute

An education and formation ministry of St James' Anglican Church, King Street, Sydney

Director: **Christopher Waterhouse**

Our vision

To be

- more informed
- more articulate
- more confident

about our faith

Our focus

- Christian faith and spiritual life
- Engaging with Scripture
- Anglican Christianity
- Christianity and contemporary issues

Keeping up with SJI

See St James' Parish website, www.sjks.org.au, for current SJI programme information.

What's on in 2017

Epiphany Reflection Day

Sue Mackenzie

We will reflect on excerpts from various authors from different times and places all related to the themes of Pondering and Treasuring, which is what Mary, the Lord's Mother, did following Jesus' birth. The afternoon will conclude with Evening Prayer.

Saturday 7 January, 1:30pm to 4:30pm

St James' Crypt and Covered Courtyard

\$10, includes refreshments

Hermeneutics is the real problem

The Rev'd Andrew Sempell

This will be a follow-up to the Rector's Series of 2016, so of particular relevance to those who attended that series, but others are welcome to join us.

Thursday 16 February, 6:30pm to 8:00pm

St James' Hall

\$20/10, includes a light meal

Lent Studies: The Beatitudes

The Rev'ds Andrew Sempell and John Stewart, Drs Libby and Ross Hindmarsh, Kumar Rasiah, Julie Sheppard and others

This is the first of three Pilgrim Course series of studies that we will explore this year.

Join other parishioners and bring your friends as we journey together and renew our faith.

Begins the week of Monday 27 February and continues for 6 weeks. We are planning to have groups meeting on various days at various times and places. Check the Pewsheets for details of a group near you. All groups will use the same material but will be led by a different person.

\$10 for booklet

Pre-registration is desired for all SJI events. Please email: registrations@sjks.org.au or phone: 8227 1305.

Humility

The Rev'd Dr Jane Foulcher

St Mark's National Theological Centre lecturer in systematic theology, and author of a notable new book *Reclaiming Humility*, explores a healthy understanding of humility in the Christian tradition.

Sunday 12 March, 2:00pm to 4:00pm

St James' Hall

\$50/40, includes refreshments

Lectio Divina

Julie Sheppard and Kumar Rasiah

Come and read the Sunday Gospel together, using this ancient slow and reflective method.

Thursday 4, 11, 18, 25 May, 1:00pm to 2:00pm

Meditation Room, St James' Crypt

\$10 for notes

SJI Book Group

The Rev'd Martin Davies

The book chosen by group members is Richard Rohr, *Falling Upwards*. This may be ordered from Pauline Books & Media, Castlereagh Street, Sydney. Early registration advisable as group numbers limited to 18.

25 May, 22 June, 27 July, 24 August, 28 September, 7:30pm

Redfern (address supplied following registration)

Members to purchase own copy of book

Understanding Church Architecture

Assoc. Professor Michael Horsburgh AM

Christians have worshipped indoors for most of their history, from catacombs to basilicas to churches of all descriptions. Does it matter where we worship? Does the location of our worship help to fashion it? Have we deliberately structured our worship spaces to achieve particular effects? Are there hidden influences?

Option 1: Sunday 21 May, 2:00pm to 4:30pm

Option 2: Tuesday 23 and 30 May, 1:00pm to 2:00pm

St James' Hall

\$30/25, includes refreshments

Mid-Year Studies: Pilgrim Course – Eucharist

Sue Mackenzie

Option 1: Monday 5, 19, 26 June; July 3, 10:00am to noon

Clergy House, Chatswood

Option 2: Tuesday 6, 13, 20, 27 June, 1:00pm to 2:00pm

St James' Hall

\$10, includes booklet and refreshments

Communism and Faith in North Korea

The Hon Michael Kirby AC, CMG

and Dr Christopher Richardson

Michael Kirby, a retired judge of the High Court, was appointed by the United Nations Human Rights Council to lead a commission of inquiry into human rights abuses in North Korea, which reported in 2014. Christopher Richardson, a St James' parishioner and author, has completed a PhD on North Korean children's culture. We will hear about life under communism and its impact upon religious faith in North Korea.

Sunday 18 June, 2:00pm to 4:30pm

St James' Hall,

\$50/40, includes refreshments

St James' Talk: Pilgrimages

Gordon Cooper

Gordon, a St James' parishioner and Honorary Archivist of St James', will explore the theology behind pilgrimages, a feature of Christian devotion for centuries, and the extent to which this theology was reflected in popular understanding. The talk will be illustrated and pay particular attention to the popular pilgrimage to Santiago de Compostela, important also in medieval times.

Saturday 22 July, 3:00pm to 4:30pm

St James' Hall

\$10, includes refreshments

Slow Church for an Anxious Time

The Rt Rev'd Prof Stephen Pickard

The idea of slow church takes its cue from Michael Leunig's line in *Another Way of Being*: 'nothing can be loved at speed'. For the church to re-engage people and Australian society it will need to attend to the needs, hopes and anxieties of Australians and especially its First Peoples. We desperately need to recover a pace of life that maximises the possibility of truly meeting others where they at, and find God in our midst. Can the church rise to the occasion?

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

St James' Hall

\$30/\$25

SJKS Retreat

The Rev'd Catherine Eaton

Catherine is an honorary assistant priest at St Saviour's Cathedral, Goulburn, with a particular interest in spirituality and contemplative prayer.

5:00pm Friday 8 to 2:00pm Sunday 10 September

St Mary's Towers, Douglas Park NSW

\$220 (extra to Season Ticket)

Beyond Belief

Hugh Mackay AO

Most Australians (61%) regard themselves as Christian, and 68% believe in God or some 'higher power', yet only 8% attend church weekly. Why the gap? And why are we more comfortable talking about "spirituality" than "religion"? Drawing on material in his latest book, *Beyond Belief*, prominent social researcher and author, Hugh Mackay, will explore these issues with us.

Sunday 8 October, 2:00pm to 3:45pm

St James' Hall,

\$50/40, includes refreshments

STEP THREE: Provide your details

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____ Mobile: _____

Email: _____

Please tick if you are on the Parish Roll at St James' Church, King Street, Sydney

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