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Graduation 2012

This year marks the first graduation ceremony for the MCD University of Divinity. Some sixty CTC students qualify to graduate this year. Graduation is a significant mile-stone in one's life: it marks a tangible achievement and also invites one to continue to develop a love for learning throughout life. As well as being a personal enrichment, it also can involve possibilities of service to one's community in numerous ways. Warmest congratulations to this year's graduands:

CTC Nominee for Vice-Chancellor's Scholars List	
Katherine Alexandra Stone	
Advanced Diploma in Theology	
Paul Louis Nulley	
Bachelor of Theology	
Rod Lalunio	
Khanh Thi Kim Le	
Siju Mukalekalayil Xavier	
Anthony Mohan Nandlal	
Paul Louis Nulley	
Joellan Peter Peart	
Ralph Nofoasaefa Solomona	
Katherine Alexandra Stone	
Kevin Charles Williams	
eus Wuwu	
Bachelor of Theology (Honours)	
Nguyen Lam (Titus) Tran	
Diploma in Philosophy	
Kevin Charles Williams	
ohn Kerr	
Diploma in Theology	
Nuala Catherine Woods	
Graduate Certificate in Liturgy	
Angela Michelina Molinari	

ching Religious Education	
Johanna Kate Hart	
Kylie Emma Lane	
Rookmin Nundlall	
Hayley Catherine Palmer	
Helen Mary Power	
Natthi Louise Shanahan	
Jennifer Ann Thomson	
ne Giunta	
cate in Theology	
Carreon	
Graduate Diploma in Ministry	
Judith Bourke	
Graduate Diploma in Theology	
Haeuck In	
Daniel Patrick Kelly	
Leonard John Monk	
Shane Anthony Reid	
Margaret Mary Ryan	
Church History)	
Jennifer Kathleen Delahunt	
s (Theology)	
Jwan Kada	
Master of Theological Studies	
Christopher Leonard Kerwick	

And Congratulations to the following



Dr Peter Sherlock, who assumed duties as Vice-Chancellor of the MCD University of Divinity on Monday 16th April. Dr Sherlock completed doctoral studies at the University of Oxford where he held a Commonwealth Scholarship. He was appointed Dean of the United Faculty of Theology (MCD) in 2008, after positions in the School of Historical and Philosophical Studies at the University of Melbourne. He is author of *Monuments and Memory in Early Modern England* and several articles on the Reformation, British missions, and the role of women in the church. Dr Sherlock's current research project is a history of the monuments of Westminster Abbey. All at CTC look forward to working with Dr Sherlock in his new capacity.

Teresa Wilson and husband John on the birth of their daughter "Grace Elizabeth Rhynehart" on 27^{th} March.

Chris Eaton who made his final profession as a member of the Missionaries of God's Love on 14th April at St Benedict's Church, Burwood.

Looking forward to the 2012 Study Tour: Walk, Stay, Reflect, Pray in the Biblical Land

The mere mention of the names of the biblical places can evoke an audible sigh. It is the dream of many to walk in these sacred places, to sit a while, to reflect and take in the three dimensional experience previously only imagined.

On 15th November the CTC Study Tour of the Biblical Lands departs Melbourne for 33 days. Under the leadership of Fr Anthony Dean and Dr Rosemary Canavan the group begins its tour in Amman, Jordan. The treasures of the Archaeological Museum here include pots and copper scrolls from Qumran. While only briefly in Jordan there is time to visit Petra and walk through the 'siq' (narrow passage) made famous by the Indiana Jones film. Here it is possible to understand the importance of trade and get an insight in to Nabatean religion and culture.



The crossing from Jordan into Israel and the Palestinian Territories unfolds a landscape so familiar by name that it can feel like home: Bethlehem, Jerusalem, Galilee. The daily prayer on the bus and the masses in significant sites, such as the Holy Sepulchre, touch into the faithful lives of the travellers. The remembering of Jesus brings him present and in our midst.

This might seem enough, yet there is more. Flying out of Tel Aviv, the tour lands in Istanbul and transfers to Ankara intent on the moonscape Cappadocia with its rock churches. Beyond this the bus winds its way through Pauline territory. Now the context of the tales of Acts and the Pauline Letters come into view. This tour will visit Laodikeia, one of the seven churches of the Revelation and also mentioned in the Letter to the Colossians. A special relaxing treat for the weary travellers is the hot spring baths of the region.

ANZAC cove, a modern day sacred site, is a purposeful destination for this group of Australian travellers. It is the last stop in Turkey before entering Greece. Here the travels with Paul continue in Philippi, Thessaloniki, Corinth and Athens. A visit to the heights of Meteora is an encounter with the ascetic prayer of hermit monks since the ninth century with a stunningly beautiful perspective so close to heaven.

All travellers on this tour are considered audit students unless they wish to undertake the study for credit

Limited places are still available. Bookings need to be finalised so there should be no delay. Estimated cost is \$10,985 (twin share), inclusive of international economy class airfares and taxes, breakfast and dinner daily, entrance fees to sites, visa fees and tipping. Further information is available from Dr Rosemary Canavan 9412 3312 or rcanavan@ctc.edu.au

Highlights of the 2011 'Experience of Catholic Culture Tour'

Mary Lynch, one of the participants, when asked what was the highlight for her, replied: 'I have given it some thought, but am not really able to choose one particular place, other than what I wrote in *Kairos* (February 19, 2012). However, my highlight was probably not a place, but something more intangible: it was several things, the cohesion of the group, and the care for one another, getting to know some great people who did inspire me, experiencing personally the compassion of participants, the good humour and sharing of ideas and especially, the encouragement of our illustrious tour leaders. Thank you for giving me the opportunity to express these aspects. Keep up the great work.'

Dr Frances Baker rsm, Deputy Master of CTC and co-leader of the tour wrote: 'Each place we visited was a highlight but it was a special joy to accompany the group to the International Centre of my Congregation, the Sisters of Mercy, at Baggot Street in Dublin. I had been there many times but always with Sisters of Mercy. This time, for the most part, people were being introduced to the Venerable Catherine McAuley and the work she began of providing for the poor, the sick and the ignorant of the Dublin of her time with a special concern for the women. We celebrated the Eucharist in the Chapel Catherine built,



Dr. Frances Baker rsm, Mary Lynch and Liz Overdyke in Florence

listened to a presentation on her life and work, prayed at her grave in the grounds of the property and enjoyed scones with jam and cream and lots of hot Irish tea and coffee! The response of the group to the life and work of Catherine McAuley was, for me, both a challenging and humbling experience. – And then there was Florence!!'



Frs Kevin Davine omi (PP Sorrento), Austin Cooper omi and Christopher Shorrock ofm conv.

Rev. Dr Austin Cooper omi, commented on the visit to Rochester Cathedral: 'This Romanesque building of modest proportions, in a quiet town in Kent, was for some 31 years the Cathedral Church of that remarkable reformer St John Fisher, martyred in 1535. One of the greatest European scholars of his day, he drew enlightenment from the tradition and instinctively discerned the value of new ideas to which he ever remained open; above all he was a significant spiritual guide and devoted pastor. We have sadly under-rated him as a model for priests in any age. This was the second occasion when the Dean and Chapter permitted a CTC Tour group to celebrate Mass in the crypt of the Cathedral which has been Anglican since 1558. The group was joined by Fr. Chris Shorrock ofm conv., Head of the CTC Church History Department who was then lecturing in nearby Canterbury.'

Easter **BBQ**

On the 24th April the SRC held two BBQs for students and staff. Great cooking and lots of fun was to be had by all.



SRC members Dillon Palmer, Peter Hong, and Matthew Boland cooking up a storm



The lunchtime crowd tucking in

Forthcoming dates to remember

The Knox Public Lecture, 2012 will be held on: Wednesday 16th May, 7:30pm. At: The Knox Lecture Theatre Cardinal Knox Centre 383 Albert Street, East Melbourne. R.S.V.P. jill.allen@ctc.edu.au or 9412 3304

Peter Hong omi will be ordained deacon On Saturday 19th May, 7.00pm At St John Vianney's Church Police Road, Mulgrave



Symposium to mark the 50th anniversary of the opening of the Second Vatican Council

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- Archbishop Mark Coleridge
 Archbishop of Canberra and Goulburn
- Professor Alberto Melloni
 Director of the John XXIII Foundation for Religious
 Studies, Bologna
- Professor Gerald O'Collins SJ AC Former Dean of Theology, Gregorian University
- Location: Australian Catholic University, St Patrick's Campus Catholic Theological College, East Melbourne Yarra Theological Union, Box Hill

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