

**ECCLESIASTICAL LAW SOCIETY  
THIRTIETH ANNIVERSARY CONFERENCE**

**Friday 31 March to Sunday 2 April 2017**

**Trinity Hall, Cambridge**

**The Nature and Diversity of Authority in Anglicanism**

**PLEASE NOTE THAT UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED  
ALL SESSIONS WILL TAKE PLACE IN THE LECTURE THEATRE**

**FRIDAY 31 MARCH**

3.00 pm **Registration.** *Tea available from 4.00pm*

5.30 pm **EVENING PRAYER** In the Chapel

**The Conference Chaplain** is **Ven Stephen Taylor**, Archdeacon of Maidstone

6.30 pm *Bar open.* (Brief meeting for volunteers for Choir on Sunday)

7.30 pm *Dinner in the Dining Hall*, followed at table, by

**INTRODUCTORY ADDRESS ON THE THEOLOGY OF AUTHORITY - Revd Dr Sam Wells**, Vicar, St Martin-in-the-Fields, introduced by Mark Hill QC

*Bar open after Dinner*

**SATURDAY 1 APRIL**

7.30am **MORNING PRAYER** in the Chapel

8.00 am **HOLY COMMUNION** in the Chapel

8.15 am *Breakfast in Dining Hall*

9.15 am **Session 1: FORMS OF AUTHORITY IN TODAY'S CHURCH**  
Chaired by Revd Dr Will Adam, Editor, Ecclesiastical Law Journal

**KEYNOTE ADDRESS - Professor Norman Doe**, Director of Centre for Law and Religion, Cardiff University

Authority Ancient and Modern: Natural Law and Legal Positivism in the English Church from the Thirteenth to the Twentieth Centuries

**Stephen Slack**, Chief Legal Advisor, Archbishops' Council  
Legislative Authority and Soft Law in the Church of England

- 10.50 am     *Tea/coffee in Terrace Room*
- 11.15 am     **Session 2: AUTHORITY IN THE ANGLICAN COMMUNION**  
 Chaired by Revd Canon John Rees, Canterbury Provincial Registrar and Legal Adviser to the Anglican Communion Council
- Revd Canon Dr Philip Groves** formerly member of the Anglican Consultative Council in conversation with Revd Dr Catherine Shelley
- 12.00         **AGM**
- 12.50 pm     *Bar open*
- 1.15 pm      *Lunch in Dining Hall*
- 2.15 pm      **Session 3: WORKSHOPS** in Lecture Theatre & other rooms, tba
- Episcopal vs Synodical Authority
  - The status of soft law and quasi-legislation in the Church of England
  - Authority in the traditional parish – including during interregna
  - New forms of being parish – new forms of authority?
  - Transnational authority - walking together in global Anglicanism
- 3.30 pm      **Session 4: RECENT DEVELOPMENTS IN ECCLESIASTICAL LAW**  
 Chaired by Sue de Candole, Registrar of Salisbury and Winchester
- Ruth Arlow**, Chancellor of Norwich and Salisbury
- 4.15 pm      *Tea in Terrace Room*
- 4.30 pm      **Session 5: EVOLVING MODELS OF AUTHORITY: CHURCH PLANTS, BISHOP'S MISSION ORDERS**  
 Chaired by Valerie James, Wrigleys Solicitors
- Rt Revd Ric Thorpe** Bishop of Islington, in conversation with Revd Dr Catherine Shelley
- 5.30 pm      **EVENING PRAYER in the Chapel** (followed by Choir Practice)
- 6.00 pm      *Bar open*
- 7.30 pm      **CHAIRMAN'S RECEPTION** - Graham Storey Room
- 8.00 pm      **DINNER (Black Tie) - Dining Hall:**
- SPEAKER: Sir John Laws**, formerly Lord Justice of Appeal
- Bar open after dinner*

## SUNDAY 2 APRIL

7.40 am **MORNING PRAYER in the Chapel**

8.00 am *Breakfast in Dining Hall*

9.00 am **PLENARY SESSION: AUTHORITY IN PRACTICE AND MINISTRY FOR  
ARCHDEACONS, PAROCHIAL CLERGY AND CHURCHWARDENS**

Facilitated by **Dr Charles Mynors**, Chancellor of Worcester with  
**Ven Dr Jane Steen**, Archdeacon of Southwark  
**Neil Petersen**, Churchwarden of St Benet's Cambridge  
**Revd Lucy Winkett**, Vicar, St James, Piccadilly

10.30 am *Tea/coffee available*

11.00 am **HOLY COMMUNION – CLARE COLLEGE CHAPEL**

**PRESIDENT: Right Revd Christine Hardman**, Bishop of Newcastle  
**PREACHER: Revd Lucy Winkett**, Vicar, St James, Piccadilly

The Massed Choir of the ELS; organist Stephen Borton

12.30 pm Depart

There is no provision for lunch at Trinity Hall, but plenty of cafes and restaurants to be found nearby for anyone wanting a meal before departure