

REVISITING VATICAN II: 50 YEARS OF RENEWAL

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

**Dharmaram Vidya Kshetram, Dharmaram College P.O.
Bangalore, India 560029**

January 31 – February 3, 2013

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“Revisiting Vatican II: 50 Years of Renewal,” an international conference under the auspices of *Asian Horizons: Dharmaram Journal of Theology*, envisages a profound, sincere and critical reflection on the impact of the Second Vatican Council (1962-1965) on the universal Church, with a special focusing on the Asian Churches. Beginning with the historical, cultural, philosophical, theological and pastoral contexts of the convoking of the Council, the conference plans to analyze the various documents of the Council, the response they gave to the call for renewal in the Church and the world till our own times as well as the relevance these documents have for the ongoing renewal of the Church and society in our times.

This four day conference is organized by Dharmaram Vidya Kshetram (DVK), Pontifical Athenaeum of Philosophy, Theology and Canon Law, under the aegis of *Asian Horizons*.

The conference will feature eminent theologians and scholars from different continents. There will be keynote addresses, plenary sessions, parallel sessions and poster presentations. We plan to bring together more than 300 participants from our Partner institutions and other institutions around the world.

Event Partners

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Keynote Speakers

Mathijs Lamberigts (Katholieke Universiteit, Leuven, Belgium), **Peter Huenermann** (Catholic Theological Faculty, University of Tuebingen, Germany), **Kuncheria Pathil, CMI** (Jeevadhara, Kottayam, India), **Martin Sebastian Kallunkal** (Pontifical Institute of Philosophy and Theology, Alwaye, India), **Catherine Clifford** (St Paul's University, Ottawa, Canada)

Plenary Session Speakers

Norman Tanner, SJ (Gregorian University, Rome, Italy), **Francis Thonippara, CMI** (Dharmaram Vidya Kshetram, Bangalore), **Alberto Melloni** (Fondazione per le scienze religiose Giovanni XXIII, Bologna, Italy), **Paul Pulikkan** (Mary Matha, Trichur, India), **Vimal Tirimanna, CSsR** (National Seminary, Kandy, Sri Lanka), **Joseph Pathrapankal, CMI** (Anugraha, Kottayam, India), **Reimund Bieringer** (Katholieke Universiteit, Leuven, Belgium), **Bishop Pablo David** (Archdiocese of San Fernando, Philippines), **Anscar Chupungco** (Paul VI Institute of Liturgy, Philippines), **Dominic Veliath, SDB** (Kristu Jyoti College, Bangalore, India), **Errol D'Lima** (Jnana-Deepa Vidya Peeth, Pune, India), **Monsignor Prof. Philippe Bordeyne** (Rector, Institut Catholique de Paris), **Felix Wilfred** (Asian Centre for Cross Cultural Studies, Chennai, India), **Riccardo Burigana** (Istituto di studi ecumenici San Bernardino, Venice, Italy), **Monsignor Bernard Ardura** (Pontificio Comitato di scienze storiche,

Vatican), **Inigo Joachim, SSA** (Delhi, India), **Jose de Mesa** (Philippines), **Archbishop Joseph Powathil** (Archbishop Emeritus, Changanacherry, India), **Annemarie Mayer** (Catholic Representative to WCC), **John Prior, SVD** (Ledalero Institute of Philosophy, Maumere, Indonesia), **Subhash Anand** (St. Paul's School, Udaipur, India), **Michael van Heerden** (St. Augustine's College, Johannesburg, South Africa), **K.J. Thomas** (St Peter's Pontifical Institute, Bangalore), **Pushpa Joseph, FMM** (DVK, Bangalore), **Laurent Villemin** (Institut Catholique de Paris), **G. Walmsley** (St Augustine's College, Johannesburg, South Africa), **Ignacimuthu, SJ** (Loyola College, Chennai, India), **Saju Chackalackal, CMI** (DVK, Bangalore), **Joseph Palakeel** (IMPACT, Cochin, India), **Gemma Tulud Cruz** (Australian Catholic University)

Call for Papers

The conference envisages keynote addresses, plenary sessions, parallel sessions and poster presentations. We invite abstract of papers for parallel sessions and poster presentations on Vatican II documents and related themes, especially on the following:

History of Vatican II

Interpretation of the Council

Documents of the Council

Post-Conciliar Teaching

Reception of the Council in the Universal Church

Reception of the Council in Asia

Eastern Catholic Churches

Dei Verbum and Post-Conciliar Biblical Theology

Post-Vatican II Moral Theology

The Church's Relationship with the World Today

Ecclesiology of the Council and Post-Conciliar Developments

Liberation Theology

Lay Theology

Role of Women in the Church

Mission and Evangelization

Priesthood

Religious Life

Vatican II and Ongoing Renewal of the Church

Contemporary Issues and Response:

Inculturation

Ecumenical and Interfaith Relations

Social Justice
Socio-Political Issues
Globalization
Marriage and Family
Education
Healthcare
Human Rights
Migration

The papers in the parallel sessions should be delivered in 20 minutes and should not exceed 2000 words.

For posters, basics include, up to 800 words of text at 24 point fonts, and some graphics. Overall Poster size should be anywhere from 22 x 28 inches or 72 cm x 56 cm to 46 x 33 inches, or 118 x 84 cm. (For Preparing academic posters, the following link may be helpful: http://www2.napier.ac.uk/getready/writing_presenting/academic_posters.html#planning)

To apply to present a paper/poster, please send the abstracts in 300 to 350 words.

Last date to submit the abstract of papers and poster presentations: November 10, 2012.

Please send the abstracts and posters with the following information:

1. Your Name and Institution
2. Academic Qualification
3. Position
4. Your Address
5. Title of the proposed paper/poster
6. Vatican Second Document/Post-Conciliar Document to which the paper/Poster is related
7. Theme of the Paper/Poster

Please send the abstract of papers and posters and the necessary information electronically to:

Rev. Dr Shaji George Kochuthara, CMI, Convenor

Email: kochuthshaji@gmail.com

vaticanii.dharmaramconference@gmail.com

Papers and posters shall be selected on the basis of their relationship with the conference theme, their originality and relevance. Papers

and posters should be original and unpublished. Successful contributors shall be notified by November 20, 2012.

Besides the keynote addresses and plenary session papers, selected papers of the parallel sessions shall be published after the conference.

Limited number of bursaries, to meet the expenses of travel, boarding and lodging are available for those from Africa and developing Asian countries. Presentation of papers and posters shall facilitate the possibility of obtaining the bursaries. However, all the participants have to pay the registration fees.

Programme

Please note: In general, each plenary has three papers of twenty minutes each. You are welcome to submit abstracts of papers for the parallel sessions. Abstracts of Poster presentation are also welcome! For details, visit "Call for Papers."

Day 1: January 31, 2013

9.00: Registration

9.30 Tea

10.00 Inaugural Session and Keynote 1

12.00 Sharing of Experience (by those who participated in the Council)

1.00 Lunch

2.15 Plenary 1 Historical Perspectives: The historical and theological context

3.45 Tea, break

4.45 Parallel Sessions 1

6.15 Plenary 2: Asian Contribution to the Council

8.00 Dinner (Dharmaram)

Day 2: February 1, 2013

6.30 Mass

7.30 Breakfast

08.45 Keynote 2: Interpretation of the Council

09.30 Plenary 3: *Dei Verbum, Sacrosanctum Concilium*

11.00 Tea

11.30 Plenary 4: *Lumen Gentium, Gaudium et Spes*

1.00 Lunch

2.00 Parallel Sessions 2

- 3.30 Tea, break
- 4.30 Plenary 5: Encounter of the East and the West
- 6.00 Prayer Session
- 6.30 Plenary 6: Priesthood, Religious Life, Laity
- 8.00 Supper
- 8.45 Cultural Events

Day 3: February 2, 2013

- 6.30 Mass
- 7.30 Breakfast
- 9.00 Keynote 3: Church's Relationship with Other Churches and Other Religions
- 9.45 Tea
- 10.15 Parallel Sessions 3
- 11.45 Plenary 7: Eastern Churches, Ecumenism, Mission
- 1.15 Lunch
- 2.30 Plenary 8: World Religions, Religious Liberty
- 4.00 Tea, break
- 5.15 Keynote 4: Ongoing Renewal of the Church
- 6.00 Plenary 9: Renewal after the Council: Gender, Ecclesial Movements, Culture and Interculturation
- 7.45 Conference Dinner

Day 4: February 3, 2013

- 6.30 Mass
- 7.30 Breakfast
- 9.00 Panel Discussion: Ongoing Renewal: Contemporary Theological Issues in the Light of the Council's Teaching: Social Justice, Education, Media, Dialogue with the World Today
- 11.00 Tea
- 11.30 Valedictory Address & Concluding Session
- 1.00 Lunch

Registration

For registration, please fill up the registration form given (Word Format) and send it electronically or by post. Maximum number of participants is fixed as 300. We shall close the registration once the number of those registered reaches 300 or on 15th January, 2013.

Registration Fees:

Early bird registration: On or before 31 October 2012:

India: Rs1000

Other Developing Asian countries and African countries:
Euro80/US\$100

All other countries: Euro150/US\$180

From 1 November 2012 to 15 Jan 2013:

India: Rs1500

Other Developing Asian countries and African countries: Euro
100/US\$120

All other countries: Euro180/US\$220

Registration Fees cover the conference kit, breakfast, lunch, supper and two coffee/tea and snacks on conference days, the conference dinner and lodging from 30 January 2013 afternoon to 3 February 2013 afternoon. Boarding and lodging on other days are to be paid separately.

The registration fees can be paid through Money Order, Demand Draft in favour of Dharmaram Vidya Kshetram, or by bank transfer. For details of bank transfer, please contact through email.

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Bursaries: Thanks to the generosity of our sponsors, a limited number of bursaries for participants from Africa and developing Asian countries (including India) is available. For further information and for applying for financial assistance, please contact the convenor. However, all the participants require to register for the conference, sending the filled up registration form and paying the registration fees.

For Further Information:

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Registration Form

1. Name:	
2. Home Address: Email: Telephone: Mobile: Passport number (For Foreign Nationals):	3. Office Address: Email: Telephone: Mobile:
4. Current Position (Please underline or tick whatever is relevant):	Professor/Teacher Research Student Church Administration (Please Specify) Pastoral Work Any Other (Please Specify):
5. Status (Please underline or tick whatever is relevant)	Bishop Priest Religious Priest/Religious (Name of the Congregation): Married Single
6. If Your spouse is accompanying you,	Name of the Spouse: Passport Number (For Foreign Nationals):
7. Date and Time of Arrival	
8. Date and Time of Departure	
9. Have you submitted/Are you planning to submit a Paper or Poster for the conference presentation?	Yes/No Title:
10. Have you submitted application for financial assistance?	
Details of the Registration Fee Payment (Money Order/DD Number/Bank Transfer Details)	

Place & Date:

Signature:

N.B. 1. Even if you apply for financial assistance, it is required that you pay the registration fees.

2. If your spouse is accompanying you, please contact us for the details of accommodation, registration fee, accommodation, etc.

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Call for Papers

Asian Theologians on the Universal Church

Asia was the birthplace of Christianity. But, already in the first centuries, Christianity spread to Europe and soon the West became the centre of Christianity, which later gave the impression that Christianity is a Western religion. However, Christianity continued to exist in Asia, especially in some regions. At the same time, we cannot deny that the West became and to a great extent continues to be the centre of Christianity, though Christianity has its strongholds in other parts of the world; the structure of the Church today, mainstream theology, etc. can be said to be contributions of the West.

Recent decades have witnessed a re-emergence of Asian theology. There are many prominent theologians in Asia. A number of theological institutions and centres are developing in Asia. Asia is becoming more aware of developing a theology sensitive to its religious, cultural, social, economic and political context. Many of Asia's theologians were formed in the West. Whereas some may consider it as a handicap, others consider it as an advantage, since it gives these theologians greater possibility of integrating different perspectives. *Asian Horizons* has dedicated a few issues on theologising in the Asian context.

In the December 2012 issue of *Asian Horizons*, we invite Asian theologians to share their vision of the Church.

Suggested topics (only recommendations, not exhaustive)

- : Towards an Asian Ecclesiology
- : A critique of the present day model of the Church
- : Asian models of the Church
- : Insights from the organisational patterns of other Asian religions
- : Functioning of Religion in Asia
- : What can the Church Learn from Asia?
- : Church as Communion of Churches - the Asian Experience
- : Post-colonial self-understanding of Asian Churches
- : Post-Vatican Asian Churches

- : Asian and Western Churches - Polarization or Convergence?
- : Asian Women in the Universal Church
- : Role of Laity in the Church - The Asian Model
- : Federation of Asian Bishops' Conferences - Its Role as Teacher and Learner
- : Being Catholic and Being Asian
- : Church as People of God - the Asian Experience

As usual, we welcome other articles on any area of theological interest and research.

Please send your articles (Research articles: 4500-5000 words) latest by 1 November 2012. Kindly include the abstract of the article in 100-150 words and a short resumé of the author.

Other regular items: "New Scholars": Abstract of doctoral theses, recently defended and not yet published; book reviews.

For more details: Shaji George Kochuthara (editor-in-chief):
kochuthshaji@gmail.com

N.B. Kindly forward this to your friends.

Themes: 2013-2015

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- March: After 50 Years: Being a Church in the World
- June: Contemporary Asian Family: Its Crisis and Opportunity
- September: After 50 Years: Divine Revelation; Sacred Liturgy
- December: Biotechnological Revolution in Asia

2014: Vol 8

- March: After 50 Years: Eastern Churches
- June: Asia's Ancient Christian Heritage
- September: After 50 Years: Dialogue with Religions; Dialogue with Other Churches
- December: Migration & Poverty

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- March: After 50 Years: Ongoing Renewal of Moral Theology
- June: Asia's Women Theologians
- September: After 50 Years: Apostolate of Lay People; Towards Future
- December: Ethics, Theology and Technology