

St Andrew's 9th Patristic Symposium

St Maximus the Confessor within 7th Century Christianity: Theology and History 2-3 September 2022 Program

Friday, 2 September

- 1.00pm Registration
- 1.30pm Opening Service
Cathedral of the Annunciation of our Lady
- 2.00pm *Parallel Session 1*
Sr Dr Margaret Beirne
St Andrew's Theological College, Sydney College of Divinity
Christoph Schönborn on Pleasure and Pain, according to Questiones ad Thalassium
Dr Cullan Joyce
University of Divinity, Catholic Theological College
What can historical contemplative traditions contribute to Contemplative Research? Modelling Maximus the Confessor's Contemplative Practice.
- 2.40pm *Plenary Session*
A/Prof. Adam Cooper
University of Divinity, Catholic Theological College
Maximus and the Symbolism of Numbers
- 3.20pm *Parallel Sessions 2*
Revd A/Prof. Bassam Nassif
St John of Damascus Institute of Theology
Divine Beauty of Humanity: Saint Maximus' Perspective of Gender and the Experience of Saints
Dr Nikolaos Zarotiadis
Aristotle University of Thessaloniki
Learning to love: Approaching the teaching of St. Cyprian and St. Maximus the Confessor
- 3.40pm Afternoon Tea

- 4.30pm **His Eminence Archbishop Makarios of Australia**
Opening Prayer, Welcome and Introductory Remarks
- 4.45pm Keynote Address
Very Reverend Professor John Behr
Regius Professor of Humanity, University of Aberdeen
From St Gregory of Nyssa to St Maximus the Confessor; The background for Ambiguum
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- 6.15pm Group Photo/ Afternoon Tea
- 7.00pm Keynote Address
Professor Paul Blowers
Dean E. Walker Professor of Church History, Milligan University
Comparing Maximus the Confessor and Augustine of Hippo on the Mystery of the Love of God
- 8.30pm Supper

Saturday, 3 September

- 8.30am Morning Prayer (Cathedral)
- 9.00am *Plenary Session*
Professor Aristotle Papanikolaou
Fordham University, Co-Director of the Orthodox Christian Studies Centre
St Maximus, the virtues, and the architecture of the soul
- 9.40am *Plenary Session*
Professor David Bradshaw
University of Kentucky
St Maximus vs Monenergism: The Natural Energies
- 10.20am Morning Tea
- 10.50am *Parallel Sessions 3*
A/Prof. Eva Anagnostou-Laoutides, Kyeongyoon Woo
Macquarie University
The Bacchic State of Mind and Maximus' Christian Citizenship
Revd Dr Joe Mock
Gracepoint Chinese Presbyterian Church
To what extent did the Christology of Bullinger mirror the Christology of Maximus the Confessor?

- 11.30am *Parallel Sessions 4*
Dr Vasilis Adrahtas
Western Sydney University and University of NSW
St Maximus the Confessor at the Intersection of Hellenic Philosophy, Jewish Mysticism and Early Islamic Thought
Dr Andrew Mellas
St Andrew's Theological College, Sydney College of Divinity
"The Silence Abounding in Song": Eschatology and Emotion in St Maximus the Confessor's Mystagogia
- 12.10pm **James Rutherford**
Moore Theological College
The Use of the Divine-Human Analogy in the Niceno-Chalcedonian Tradition and Maximus the Confessor
Michael Ibrahim
St Cyril's Coptic Orthodox Theological College
A Saint and a Physicist Walk into a Bar: St Maximus the Confessor and David Bohm in Dialogue
- 12.50pm Lunch and Closing Remarks
- 2.00pm End of the Symposium