ST ANDREW'S GREEK ORTHODOX THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE



Celebrating 30 Years 1986 - 2016



The Holy Apostle Andrew, the First-called

Icon of the Holy Monastery of the Mother of God 'Pantanassa'
Presented as a gift to the Theological College
on the occasion of its Twentieth Anniversary

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A Member Institution of the Sydney College of Divinity since 1987





Dean's Message

It is with a sense of great joy and gratitude that we celebrate this year the 30th Anniversary since the establishment of St Andrew's Greek Orthodox Theological College, a milestone of inestimable significance for the witness of Orthodoxy in the Antipodes.

Among the institutions of any Church, a Theological College certainly occupies a most distinguished position, indeed, constituting her very heart and soul. It could be said that what water is to the biological constitution of a human person – namely, its very life force – theology is to the well-being and vitality of the Church.

It is precisely for this reason that our Theological College - established virtually out of nothing, and therefore nothing less than a miracle of divine Providence - together with its continued functioning for three decades, offering fully accredited theological education at tertiary level, has undoubtedly come to be seen by all within the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of Australia as their "alma mater", namely their "nourishing mother". Such a statement is justified when we remember that theology is nothing less than "the deeper breath of the *entire* body of the Church."

On this momentous occasion, it is important to recall that the establishment of an Orthodox Theological College was not simply envisioned as an achievement of an ethnic group or of a denomination. Rather, to the extent that it would aim to cultivate the spiritual treasures of the first common Christian millennium – and therefore, a precious legacy for all Christians – St Andrew's was founded to serve not only the Orthodox Church but more broadly the Australian nation as a whole in the quest for peace, reconciliation, justice and sanctification which is God's ultimate will for His entire world.

Thirty years on, many exciting initiatives have come to light. Beyond the College's primary task in equipping people for the work of ministry – either as priests or lay theologians – some of the other related endeavours have included: the biennial Theology and Patristic Symposia which have raised the academic profile of the College; evening and on-line course units which have broadened the College's outreach; the development of the College's annual journal *Phronema* to a biannual publication with an internationally renowned editorial board; nation-wide adult faith education seminars which have provided our faithful, more broadly, with an initial experience of the study of theology, and so much more.

It is the College's fervent hope that, together with the increase in student enrolments within the graduate and on-line programs, it will also see an increase in the total number of 'seminarian' students in the undergraduate program, since the needs for priests has always been, and continues to be, a primary concern of our Archdiocese.

The celebration of this 30th Anniversary self-evidently opens new horizons and obligations on the part of us all, which will require even greater sacrifices, and we are certain the devout faithful of our Archdiocese will gladly meet the challenge once again so that, in the words of St Paul, Christ's body may continue to be built up (cf. Eph 4:12).

Archbishop STYLIANOS

Primate of the Greek Orthodox Church in Australia Dean of St Andrew's Theological College

Our Beginnings

St Andrew's Theological College was founded in Sydney in 1986 as an Orthodox Christian tertiary institution with accreditation from local civil education authorities.

During the Fourth Clergy-Laity Congress (1981), the first during the term of Archbishop Stylianos, the delegates adopted, among other resolutions, his urgent proposal for the establishment of a Theological College as soon as possible. To this end, the Legal Adviser of the Archdiocesan Council, Sir Arthur George, pledged a contribution.

Sir Arthur George signs the agreement to support the establishment of St Andrew's Theological College, in the presence of His Eminence, the Premier of Queensland Sir Joh Bjelke-Petersen, Lady George and other dignitaries



In May 1984, Archbishop Stylianos appointed an Interim Committee (consisting of the Very Rev. Fr Miltiades Chryssavgis who was Vicar General at that time, Rev. Dr John Chryssavgis as Secretary, Mr Michael Diamond, Assoc. Prof. Emmanuel Aroney, and Dr Harry Simmons) in order to consider and suggest ways of facilitating the operation of the Theological College and to prepare a suggested curriculum of studies. After a comparative study and research, the Interim Committee presented its report, which was received and approved by the Archbishop.

Consequently, at the meeting of the Archdiocesan Property Trust held in Sydney, 13th December 1984, three committees were appointed:

- A Building Committee, consisting of Sir Arthur George, Mr Niketas Katris and Mr Peter Confos.
- An Administrative Council, consisting of His Eminence Archbishop Stylianos, Sir Arthur George, Mr Michael Barbouttis, Mr Michael Diamond, and Mr George Pappas.
- An Academic Committee, consisting of His Eminence Archbishop Stylianos, Very Rev. Miltiades Chryssavgis, Rev. Dr John Chryssavgis, Prof. Alexander Cambitoglou, Assoc. Prof. Emmanuel Aroney and Dr Harry Simmons.

The opening of the Theological College became mandatory by virtue of the very nature of the mission of the Church in Australia. There was need for a Theological School that would be primarily dedicated to theological study in co-operation with other Theological Colleges.

Heads of Theological Colleges of other Churches looked forward to what would be offered them: the great scriptural commentaries, the writings of the Greek Fathers, the Orthodox liturgy, iconography and spirituality. It was hoped that a centre of theological reflection and ecumenical dialogue would be created, offering the Orthodox world-view and perspective.

As a result of these coordinated efforts, the College was finally opened on the 23rd February, 1986. The Dean of the Patriarchal Theological School of Halki, Metropolitan Maximos of Stavroupolis, was present, having been invited especially for the occasion. He brought with him a congratulatory message from Ecumenical Patriarch Demetrios I.

The Premier of New South Wales, Hon. Neville Wran, was also present. St Andrew's Greek Orthodox Theological College is already enabling the Church to meet its pastoral needs, in our own times and in our own environment, while at the same time preserving a balanced view of Orthodox tradition and life.





Since its establishment, the College has maintained ongoing accreditation through the Sydney College of Divinity, a tertiary education institution providing high quality, accredited awards in theology and related areas through the teaching colleges that are its member institutions. The long-standing affiliation with the Sydney College of Divinity has been of inestimable value.

Research

St Andrew's aspires to be a leading centre for research and scholarship in Orthodox theology. The College is committed to the set of research values which it shares with the Sydney College of Divinity.

In its commitment to research and scholarship, St Andrew's:

PUBLISHES its own peer-reviewed, bi-annual journal, *Phronema*. The journal features both local and international contributions from scholars in the fields of Patristic Studies, Systematic Theology, Hermeneutics, Church History, Biblical Studies and Ancient Languages. Since 2010, the second issue of each yearly volume has been fully dedicated to proceedings from the Patristic Symposia held by the College.

HOSTS its Patristic Symposia, the first of which was held in 2009. These are interdisciplinary in their approach and attract speakers from

all over Australia and abroad who are interested in engaging with the Fathers of the Church. So far, the Patristic Symposia have examined the lives and works of the major representatives of the Cappadocian and Alexandrian traditions. This thematic cycle was crowned by the 2014 Symposium, which explored the connections between the two theological conventions. Furthermore, the 2016 Symposium will be dedicated to the life and works of St John Chrysostom.

HOSTS its Theology Symposia, the first of which was held it 2015. These take place every two years, alternating with the Patristic Symposia. The inaugural Theology Symposium explored the sacred depths of creation not only from within different disciplines of theology but also different Christian traditions. Its purpose was to contribute to conversations taking place within the broader community regarding our shared responsibility for the planet's future.

SUPPORTS its Faculty in their active engagement in research. The individual research projects of the Faculty can be viewed on their respective profile pages. Indeed, the Faculty regularly contribute papers to Conferences and Departmental Research Seminars of various tertiary institutions in Australia. Likewise, both national and international scholars visit the College every year. These scholars either offer guest lectures, contribute to the Patristic or Theology Symposia, or participate in Round Table discussions that are also open to the public.

ENCOURAGES students to complete research essays as part of their studies, with a view to undertaking postgraduate research degrees.

PROVIDES its Faculty with the opportunity to have their works published under the aegis of its own publishing house, St Andrew's Press.

Collaboration with Archdiocesan Care Organisations

Over the years, there has been fruitful collaboration between St Andrew's, St Basil's Homes in Lakemba, the Greek Welfare Centre in Newtown, and Estia Foundation in Gladesville.

ST ANDREW'S AND ST BASIL'S HOMES

Since 2004, the Lakemba facility has been used for a 25-week Clinical Pastoral Education program under the supervision of Rev. Alan Galt, a Uniting Church minister who has been teaching pastoral theology and counselling at St Andrew's for 25 years and is an accredited Level 3 CPE supervisor in NSW. Nowadays, students undertake the CPE program at St Basil's for academic credit towards their degree whilst in their third year of the BTh, but also participate in weekly informal supervised visits during their second year, thus maintaining regular contact with the work of St Basil's Homes. The CPE program is also available to postgraduate students and any interested persons who meet the entry criteria for this specialised program. The College is grateful for the collaboration and support demonstrated by the CEO Fr Nicholas Stavropoulos and his predecessor, Fr John Kapetas.

ST ANDREW'S AND THE GREEK WELFARE CENTRE

In 2006 the Greek Welfare Centre was successful in securing funding from the Department of Health and Ageing under the Local Palliative Care Grants Program Round 2, to develop and implement a Project for the Greek community. The Project Officers were Mrs Maria Petrohilos and Mrs Lillian Augoustinos. The Project started in May 2006 and was completed by August 2008. As part of this Project, the Welfare Centre conducted training sessions for students of St Andrew's during 2008. The students' feedback was very positive and appreciative, as were the impressions of Mrs Petrohilos and Mrs Augoustinos, so the College communicated its interest

to further develop collaboration with the Welfare Centre and its operations. This prompted Mrs Petrohilos to arrange a half day seminar for students at the Newtown office in October 2008 as part of the Centre's Awareness Month. The Director, Mr Steve Magdas, and the Programs Coordinator, Mrs Maria Kladis, described the mission and variegated outreach programs and counselling services of the Centre. Since then, Mrs Petrohilos has provided an annual half-day seminar at the Newtown office for students and covered a number of topics including stigma, mental health, problem gambling, drug and alcohol addiction, suicide etc.

ST ANDREW'S AND ESTIA FOUNDATION

College students are welcomed by CEO Fr Angelo Aliferiakis and his colleagues to the Gladesville office for induction into the work of Estia Foundation. Arrangements are made for students to also attend the care facilities in Roselands and Ryde as part of their field education, and to meet staff and residents. It is anticipated that this will also come to include field education at the newly acquired site at Kyle Bay in the coming years.

Courses

St Andrew's was established in order to provide tertiary level education and training of Christian Orthodox clergy, theologians, lay teachers and ministers in order to meet the catechetical and pastoral needs of the Orthodox Church in Australia. It is also intended to be a centre of ecumenical scholarship and learning. It is fully accredited through the Sydney College of Divinity and all degrees and awards are approved by the Tertiary Education Quality and Standards Agency (TEQSA), Australia's independent national regulator of the higher education sector.



By virtue of its membership of the Sydney College of Divinity, St Andrew's offers a range of undergraduate and postgraduate units which explore Systematic Theology, Patristic Studies, Biblical Studies, Church History, Liturgics, Pastoral Theology and Counselling, and New Testament Greek language, towards the following awards: Bachelor of Theology (with Honours), Diploma of Christian Studies, Graduate Certificate in Arts, Graduate Diploma of Arts, Master of Theology, and a Basic Unit of Clinical Pastoral Education in Aged Care.

Ordained Alumni

Hierarch

His Grace Bishop Iakovos (Tsigounis) of Miletoupolis, Assistant Bishop to His Eminence (VIC)

Abbots

Fr Kyriakos Stavronikitianos, Archimandrite, Abbot of the Holy Monastery of St George (NSW)

Fr Eusebios Pantanassiotis, Archimandrite, Abbot of the Holy Monastery of the Mother of God 'Pantanassa' (NSW)

Archimandrites

Fr Silouan Fotineas, Holy Monastery of St Nektarios (SA)

Fr Kyrillos Zisis, Private Secretary to His Eminence Archbishop Stylianos of Australia, Greek Orthodox Cathedral of the Annunciation (NSW)

Fr Sophronios Konidaris, Greek Orthodox Church of our Lord's Resurrection (NSW)

Fr Elpidios Karalis, Greek Orthodox Church of Sts Constantine and Helen (WA)

Fr Evmenios Vasilopoulos, Greek Orthodox Church of our Lord's Transfiguration (VIC)

Fr Kosmas Damianides, Greek Orthodox Church of the Annunciation (VIC)

Fr Prohoros Anastasiadis, Greek Orthodox Church of Sts Raphael, Nicholas and Irene (NSW)

Protopresbyters

Fr John Grillis, Greek Orthodox Cemetery Chapel of St Athanasios (NSW)

Fr Constantine Varipatis, Greek Orthodox Church of St Stylianos (NSW)

Fr Elias Anastasopoulos, Greek Orthodox Church of the Holy Apostles, Rhodes (Greece)

Fr Evangelos Thiani, Greek Orthodox Metropolis of Kenya

Oikonomoi

Fr Dimitrios Tsakas, Archdiocesan Vicar-General for Queensland, Greek Orthodox Church of St George (QLD)

Fr Leslie Kostoglou, Greek Orthodox Church of St Gerasimos (NSW)

Fr Sotirios Drapaniotis, Greek Orthodox Church of St Spyridon (NSW)

Fr Chris Dimolianis, Greek Orthodox Church of St Eustathios (VIC)

Fr Anastasios Bozikis, Greek Orthodox Church of St George (QLD)

Hieromonks

Fr Kyril Gavras, Russian Orthodox Mission of our Lord's Ascension (VIC)

Fr Stavros Agoroudis, Greek Orthodox Church of Holy Wisdom (NSW)

Fr Siluan Mrakic, Holy Diocese of Valjevo (Serbia)







Presbyters

Fr Antonios Vanikiotis, Greek Orthodox Church of the Holy Trinity (VIC)

Fr Panagiotis Photakis, Greek Orthodox Church of St Panteleimon (SA)

Fr Agathangelos Masteas, Greek Orthodox Church of our Lord's Resurrection (NSW)

Fr Konstantinos Skoumbourdis, Greek Orthodox Church of St George (SA)

Fr Romanos Stergiou, Greek Orthodox Church of St Anne (QLD)

Fr Stavros Karvelas, Greek Orthodox Church of St Therapon (NSW)

Fr Emmanuel Lykopandis, Greek Orthodox Church of St Dimitrios (VIC)

Fr Panagiotis Protopsaltis, Greek Orthodox Church of St Euphemia (NSW)

Fr Sotirios Papafilopoulos, Greek Orthodox Church of St Paraskeve (NSW)

Fr Athanasios Giatsios, Greek Orthodox Church of St Catherine (NSW)

Fr Antonio Cagnoni, Greek Orthodox Church of St Haralambos (VIC)

Fr Nicholas Brown, Greek Orthodox Church of the Dormition (QLD)

Fr Panagiotis Zoumboulis, Greek Orthodox Church of Sts Raphael, Nicholas and Irene (VIC)

Fr Stavros Ivanos, Greek Orthodox Church of St Stephanos (NSW)

Fr Jean Mawal, Antiochian Orthodox Church of St Paul (VIC)

Fr Demos Nicolaou, Greek Orthodox Church of St Paraskeve (VIC)

Fr George Liangas, Greek Orthodox Church of St Nektarios (NSW)

Fr Peter Mavrommatis, Greek Orthodox Church of St Euphemia (NSW)

Fr John Athanasiou, Greek Orthodox Church of St Nektarios (WA)

Fr Nectarios Joannou, Greek Orthodox Church of St Demetrios (NSW)

Fr Leonidas Ioannou, Greek Orthodox Church of our Lord's Presentation (VIC)

Fr Veselin Svorcan, Serbian Orthodox Church of the Archangel Michael (NSW)

Deacons

Dn Jovan Jovcic, Serbian Orthodox Church of St Sava (SA)

Dn Dimitri Papaikonomou, Personal Deacon to His Eminence Archbishop Stylianos of Australia (NSW)

Dn Nektarios Pantanassiotis, Holy Monastery of the Mother of God 'Pantanassa' (NSW)

Dn George Vrionis, Greek Orthodox Church of St Andrew (VIC)

Dn Mark Woloszyn, Russian Orthodox Church of the Protection of the Mother of God (VIC)

Monks

Fr Ignatios (Konstantine Kiannies), Mt Athos (Greece)

Fr Theophilos (Nektarios Giannitsios), Holy Monastery of St Catherine's (Sinai, Egypt)





List of Graduates

1990

Bachelor of Theology

Fr John Grillis (NSW)

Dn Constantine Varipatis (QLD)

Dn Jeremiah (Michael) Michael (NSW)

Sotirios Drapaniotis (SA)

Leslie Kostoglou (QLD)

1991

Bachelor of Theology

Raymond Haddad (NSW)

Panagiotis Panagiotidis (VIC)

Jim Polyzoidis (NSW)

1992

Bachelor of Theology

Dimitrios Kepreotes (NSW)

Dimitrios Masteas (SA)

1993

Bachelor of Theology

Athanasios Fouras (QLD)

Christos Galiotos (VIC)

Constantine Skoumbourdis (NSW)

1994

Bachelor of Theology

Fr Panagiotis Photakis (SA)

Stavros Agoroudis (NSW)

Panagiotis Protopsaltis (VIC) Basilios Psilacos (SA)

1995

Bachelor of Theology

Fr Chris Dimolianis (NSW)

George Arsenopoulos (VIC)

Anastasios Bozikis (QLD)

Philip Kariatlis (NSW)

1996

Bachelor of Theology

Dn John Tsigounis (NSW)

Stylianos Anastasopoulos (NSW)

Peter Bourbous (NSW)

Konstantine Kiannies (VIC)

Kyriakos Michael (VIC)

1997

Bachelor of Theology

Fr Romanos (Stavros) Stergiou (NSW)

Spirodon Haralambous (NSW)

Gregory Eki Budi Setiarso (Indonesia)

Nick Trakakis (VIC)

1998

Bachelor of Theology

Fr Dimitri Tsakas (QLD)

Nektarios Christopoulos (VIC)

Peter Mavrommatis (VIC)

1999

Bachelor of Theology

John Aktapoda (SA)

Nicholas Brown (QLD)

Nektarios Giannitsios (ACT)

Goran Jovcic (SA)

Eleftherios Kambourakis (NSW)

Bill Karakousis (VIC)

Panayiotis Kyriacou (ACT)

Emmanuel Lykopandis (VIC)

Gregory Vassiliadis (Greece)

2000

Bachelor of Theology

Kosmas Damianides (WA)

Anastasios Kalogerakis (VIC)

Angelo Karantonis (NSW)

Stavros Karvelas (NSW)

otavios Kaiveias (iv

2001

Bachelor of Theology

Fr Constantine Tsacalos (NSW)

Dn George Lontos (NSW)

Stavros Fotineas (QLD)

Dionyssios Krinas (VIC)

Sarados Papadopoulos (VIC)

Anthony Papantoniou (NSW)

Nicholas Tsigos (VIC)

Spiros Zarkos (VIC)

Asterios Zouriakas (VIC)

Master of Theology

Philip Kariatlis

Dimitri Kepreotes





2002

Bachelor of Theology

Iovan Iovcic (SA)

Vasilije Jovcic (SA)

Dn Sophronios (Spyridon) Konidaris (VIC)

Alex Matzarakis (ACT)

Kyriakos Mougios (VIC)

John Tellis (VIC)

Eleutherios Tzaneros (NSW)

Panagiotis Zoumboulis (VIC)

Master of Theology

Anthony Papantoniou

2003

Bachelor of Theology

Fr Antonios Vanikiotis (VIC)

Stephen Hughes (NSW)

Polidoros Nidras (VIC)

Chris Pantelios (VIC)

Sotirios Papafilopoulos (SA)

Master of Theology

Nicholas Tsigos

2004

Bachelor of Theology

Stavros Ivanos (NSW)

Peter Karalis (WA)

George Lampropoulos (VIC)

Efstathios Peroulis (NSW)

Kosmas Zisis (VIC)

2005

Master of Arts

Peter Karalis

Efstathios Peroulis

Graduate Diploma of Arts

Kosmas Zisis

2006

Bachelor of Theology

Fr Athanasios Giatsios (NSW)

Andrew Boucas (NSW)

Constantine Gavras (VIC)

Master of Theology

Peter Bourbous

Master of Arts

Peter Kariatlis (NSW)

Diploma of Theology

Ilias Potamianos (NSW)

2007

Bachelor of Theology

Fr Eusebios Pantanassiotis (NSW)

Dn Evmenios (Seraphim) Vasilopoulos (VIC)

Demos Nicolaou (VIC)

Dimitri Papaikonomou (VIC)

Anthony Picardi (NSW)

Master of Arts

Fr Athanasios Giatsios

Andrew Boucas

2008

Bachelor of Theology

John Kirkis (NSW)

Master of Theology (Honours)

Anthony Papantoniou

Master of Arts

Fr Evmenios (Seraphim) Vasilopoulos

John Athanasiou (WA)

Andrew Kapos (NSW)

Demos Nicolaou

Dimitri Papaikonomou

Anthony Picardi

Diploma of Theology

Peter Anastasiadis (NSW)

List of Graduates

2009

Bachelor of Theology

Mario Baghos (NSW)

George Karpouzos (NSW)

Vasilios Demetrios Manavas (VIC)

Christopher Manevski (VIC)

Master of Arts

Ann Coward (NSW)

Betty Katsoulis (NSW)

Stephanie Helen Macaulay (NSW)

Vicki Petrakis (NSW)

Kelly Anna Tsoi (VIC)

Graduate Diploma of Arts

George Karpouzos

Vasilios Demetrios Manavas

Christopher Manevski

Graduate Certificate in Theological Studies

Irene Melaisis (NSW)

2010

Bachelor of Theology

Daniel Bellis (VIC)

Vasily Makeev (NSW)

Doctor of Theology

Philip Kariatlis

Master of Theology

Anastasios Kalogerakis

Master of Arts

John Nikolas (NSW)

Graduate Diploma of Arts

Fr Antonio Cagnoni (VIC)

Daniel Bellis

Bachelor of Theology (Honours)

Mario Baghos



2011

Bachelor of Theology

Vasilios Gioutlou (VIC)

Dn Leonidas Ioannou (VIC)

Emilios Kaos (VIC)

Dimitrios Siriotis (NSW)

Master of Arts

Socrates Dokos (NSW)

Presbytera Helen Vesic (NSW)

Graduate Diploma of Arts

Emilios Kaos

Michael Ibrahim (NSW)

Dimitrios Siriotis

Graduate Certificate in Arts

Alexandra Magnisallis (NSW)

Michael Coursaris (NSW)

Bachelor of Theology (Honours)

Vasilios Gioutlou

2012

Bachelor of Theology

Theodoros Dimitriou (VIC)

Efstratios Makris (VIC)

William Le Couilliard (VIC)

Master of Arts

Dimitrios Siriotis

John Su (VIC)

2013

Bachelor of Theology

Dimitrios Marcou (VIC)

Mark Woloszyn (VIC)

Master of Arts

Emmanuel Kassiotis (NSW)

Nicholas Koutras (NSW)

Graduate Diploma of Arts

Leon Bagas (WA)

Efstratios Makris

Graduate Certificate in Arts

Vasilios Le Couilliard





2014

Bachelor of Theology

Fr Prohoros (Peter) Anastasiadis (NSW)

Stefan Mastilovic (New Zealand)

Fr Evangelos Thiani (Kenya)

Master of Theology

Archdeacon Siluan Mrakic (NSW)

Master of Arts

George Tsikritsakis (NSW)

Graduate Certificate in Arts

Theodoros Dimitriou

Associate Degree in Christian Thought &

Practice

Dn George Vrionis (VIC)

Diploma of Christian Studies

Con Farrugia (NSW)

Chrysovalantis Sideris (SA)

2015

Bachelor of Theology

Fr Nectarios Joannou (NSW)

Markellos Margelis (NSW)

George Papoutsakis (NSW)

Master of Theology

Fr Kyrillos (Kosmas) Zisis Graduate Certificate in Arts

Daniel Haitas (VIC)

Jacqueline Sylvia Sarros (VIC)

Bachelor of Theology (Honours)

Stefan Mastilovic

Associate Degree in Christian Thought & Practice

Fr Jean Mawal (VIC)

Diploma of Christian Studies

Demetra Petrakis (NSW)

2016

Bachelor of Theology

Dimmitri Christou (VIC)

Michael Coursaris (NSW)

Nick Georgiou (VIC)

Milan Stanimirovic (QLD)

Master of Arts

Fr George Liangas (NSW)

Fr Nektarios Pantanassiotis (NSW)

Fr Veselin Svorcan (VIC)

Vedran Gagic (QLD)

Cristiana Paraschiv (NSW)

Michael Raghib (NSW)

Graduate Diploma of Arts

John Frangos (VIC)

Stan Giaouris (NSW)

Graduate Certificate in Arts

Presbytera Irene Adamakis (VIC)

John Daher (NSW)

Christopher Nicolopoulos (NSW)

Bernard Toutounji (NSW)

Diploma of Christian Studies

Maria Leonardos (VIC)

Kyriakos Tsapas (VIC)



(1990-2016)

Total number of Alumni: 150

Total number of Sydney College of Divinity degrees and awards at various levels: 180

Historical List of Staff Members

Name	Yrs of Service	Role / Teaching Area
His Eminence Archbishop STYLIANOS (Harkianakis) of Australia	1986 – present	Founding Dean; Chairman of Founding Administrative Council & Academic Committee; Systematic Theology
Rev. Deacon Dr John Chryssavgis	1986 – 1995	Founding Sub-Dean; Member of Founding Administrative Council & Academic Committee; Church History, Patristics and Orthodox Spirituality
Very Rev. Protopresbyter Miltiades Chryssavgis	1986 – 1995	Member of Founding Academic Committee; Liturgics, Byzantine Music and Pastoral Theology
Dr Harry Simmons	1986 – 1987	Member of Founding Academic Committee; Church History and Orthodox Spirituality
Dr Guy Freeland, Gold Cross of St Andrew (2008)	1986 – present	Founding Editor of <i>Phronema</i> (1986-1994); Philosophy, Church Symbolism, Iconography and Hermeneutics
Dr John Lee FAHA, Gold Cross of St Andrew (2008)	1986 – present	Koine Greek (University of Sydney, until 1999); Advanced Koine Greek (St Andrew's, since 1999)
Monk Dr Themistocles Adamopoulos	1986 – 1999	Biblical Studies, Early Church History and Biblical Hebrew
† Mrs Julie Anthony	1986 – 1992	Modern Greek
† Mr Antonios Aristodemou	1986 – 2000	Byzantine Music
Rev. Dr Gabriel Popescu	1986 – 2001	Pastoral Theology
† Very Rev. Archimandrite Leonidas	1986 – 1992	Canon Law
Prof. Dimitri Conomos	1986 – 1987	Visiting Professor of Byzantine Music
Miss Crystal Condous	1986	Honorary Librarian
Very Rev. Archimandrite Joseph Harkiolakis	1987 – 1989	Modern Greek
Rev. Dr Geoffrey Peterson	1987 – 1989	Pastoral Theology
Mr Francis Carleton	1987 – 1989	Librarian
Mr Francis Livesey	1987	Registrar; Church History
† Rev. Paul Connors	1988 – 1990	Registrar; Church History
Miss Anne Hocking	1989 – 1995	Librarian
Rev. Alan Galt	1990 – 2001; 2003 – present	Pastoral Counselling and Pastoral Theology





Name	Yrs of Service	Role / Teaching Area
His Grace Bishop Seraphim (Ginis) of Apollonias	1991 – present	Sub-Dean (since 1995); Liturgics, Canon Law, Byzantine Music and Homiletics
Dr Dimitri Kepreotes	1992 – 1994; 2001 – 2015	Registrar (1992-1994); Christian Education, Canon Law and Modern Greek; Publishing Director of St Andrew's Orthodox Press (2005-2015)
Rev. Dr Raymond Williamson	1992 – 2002; 2005 – 2006	Reformation History and Ecumenical Studies
Prof. Vasilios Istavridis	1992	Visiting Professor of Church History
Very Rev. Protopresbyter George Vassiliadis	1993 – 2005	Canon Law, Patristics and Modern Greek
Miss Niki Papadopoulos	1993 – 1994	Modern Greek
Very Rev. Protopresbyter Steven Scoutas	1995 – present	Church History and Pastoral Theology
Dr James Athanasou	1995 – 2012	Editor of <i>Phronema</i> (1995-2012); Christian Education (1999-2007)
Dr Philip Kariatlis	1995 – present	Registrar (1995-1999); Academic Secretary (2000-2013); Systematic Theology (since 2000); Academic Director (since 2014)
Dr Vrasidas Karalis	1995 – 2003	Church History
† Prof. Markos Orphanos	1995 – 2002	Visiting Professor of Patristics
Rev. Stavros Agoroudis	1995 – 1996; 2015 – present	Librarian Library Assistant
Very Rev. Archimandrite Iakovos Tsigounis	1996 – 2002	Resident Chaplain
Rev. Clement Hill	1996 – 2000	Homiletics
Mr Jacob Yiacoumi	1996	Systematic Theology and Patristics
Mr Chris Harvey	1997 – present	Librarian
Rev. Anastasios Bozikis	1997 – 2001	Patristics
Rev. John McSweeney	1999 – 2009	New Testament Studies
Dr Chris Forbes	1999	Early Church History
Mr Anastasios Kalogerakis	2000 – present	Registrar
Dr Vivienne Keely	2000 – 2001	Early Church History

Historical List of Staff Members

Name	Yrs of Service	Role / Teaching Area
Mrs Rachael Goth	2001 – 2003; 2005 – 2007	Koine Greek
Mr Basilios Psilacos	2001 – 2002; 2007 – 2011; 2014 – present	Byzantine Music and Liturgics
Dr Ken Parry	2002 – 2013	Church History
Dr Vasilios Adrahtas	2002 – 2004	Patristics and Missiology
Dr Alexandros Kariotoglou	2002 – 2004	Patristics, Missiology and Hermeneutics
Very Rev. Archimandrite Sophronios Konidaris	2003 – present	Resident Chaplain
Rev. Gerasimos Koutsouras	2003; 2005 – present	Church History, Byzantine Music and Modern Greek
Very Rev. Protopresbyter Constantine Varipatis	2004 – present	Pastoral Theology
Mr Asterios Zouriakas	2004; 2012	Byzantine Music
Very Rev. Protopresbyter Dr Doru Costache	2005 – present	Patristics
Ms Zorka Simich	2006 – present	Library Technician
Rev. Dr John El Karaan	2008 – 2009	Old Testament Studies
Dr Margaret Beirne, RSC	2009 – present	Biblical Studies
Dr Mario Baghos	2010 – present	Church History and Patristics
Dr Gregory Fox	2010 – present	Koine Greek
Mr Anthony Papantoniou	2010 – present	Patristics
Prof. Angelo Karantonis	2012 – present	Editor of <i>Phronema</i>
Prof. Garry Trompf	2013 – 2014	Church History
Rev. Athanasios Giatsios	2013 – 2014	Modern Greek
Mr Efstratios Makris	2013	Registry & I.T. Officer
Mr Chris Baghos	2014 – present	Registry & I.T. Officer
Mr Andrew Boucas	2014	Byzantine Music
Very Rev. Archimandrite Apostolos Trifyllis	2015 – present	Modern Greek



Our Chapel

ommunal worship and spiritual reflection in the Chapel of the Holy Apostle John the Evangelist and Theologian, have always been the very heart of College life and its

program of spiritual formation. All students are expected to share in the liturgical life of the community under the guidance of a spiritual father and to aspire to lead a sacramental life with regular reflection upon the teachings of the Holy Scriptures and the Holy Fathers.

Over the years, the following clergymen have served as chaplains: Very Rev. Protopresbyter Miltiades Chryssavgis (1986 - 1991), Very Rev. Archimandrite Joseph Harkiolakis (1988 - 1989), Rev. John Grillis (1990 - 2003), Very Rev. Archimandrite Nektarios Zorbalas (1991 - present), Rev. Angelo Alifierakis (1991 - 1994), Very Rev. Archimandrite Iakovos Tsigounis (2000 - 2002), Very Rev. Archimandrite Eleutherios Kambourakis (2004 - 2007), Very Rev. Archimandrite Kyrillos Zisis (2008 - 2011), and Very Rev. Protopresbyter Dr Doru Costache (2012 - present).



The Chapel was decorated in three stages, beginning with creation scenes from Genesis adorning the ceiling and back wall.

Thereafter, depictions of the 12-year-old Jesus amongst the Elders in the Temple, our Lord's Transfiguration, the Three Hierarchs, and St Gregory Palamas, were added.





Finally, Christ as High Priest flanked by two angels of the Lord were placed behind the altar table, with six-winged seraphim and small decorative vines added to cover the last remaining wall spaces.



