

**The Uses of Scripture in Catholic Prayer, Practice and Theology**  
**A Study Day for Clergy, Laity, and Students of Theology**

**Hosted by:**

The Centre for Catholic Studies (Durham University), the Newman Association, the Education Service of the Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle, and the Catholic Biblical Association of Great Britain

**Venue:**

Department of Theology and Religion, Palace Green, Durham

**Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> March 2012**

**9.30am-5.00pm**

**PROGRAMME**

- 9.30am Arrival, Registration and Coffee
- 9.50am Welcome – Prof. Paul D. Murray, Director of the Centre for Catholic Studies
- 10.00am *Scripture and Contemporary Catholic Theology: Surveying the Field*  
Fr Sean Maher, Chaplain to the Centre Culturel Irlandais, Collège des Irlandais, Paris
- 10.30am *The Importance of the Post-Synodal Exhortation Verbum Domini and the Place of Scripture in the Theology of Benedict XVI*  
Prof. Lewis Ayres, Bede Chair of Catholic Theology, Durham University
- 11.00am Plenary Discussion
- 11.30am Tea/Coffee
- 12.00noon *The Divine Word: Culture and Exegesis*  
Sr Prof. Mary Mills, Liverpool Hope University  
Plenary Discussion
- 1.00pm Lunch
- 2.00pm *Scripture as Story: a Reading of the Emmaus Narrative (Luke 24:13-35)*  
Dr Nicholas King, SJ, Campion Hall, Oxford and Chair of the Catholic Biblical Association of Great Britain  
Plenary Discussion
- 3.00pm Tea/Coffee
- 3.30pm *Praying and Preaching the Scriptures*  
The Most Rev. Bernard Longley, Archbishop of Birmingham  
Plenary Discussion
- 4.30pm *Thoughts in Response to the Day*  
Dr Richard Briggs, Director of Biblical Studies, Cranmer Hall, St John's College, Durham University  
Sr Dr Patricia McDonald, SHCJ, London
- 5.00pm CLOSE of Study Day
- 5.30pm Vigil Mass for Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> March (optional)