

Michaelmas Term 2025 Patristics Research Seminar

Theme: Poetry, Symbolism, and the Imagination in Early Christianity

Mondays 16:30-18:00

Robert Beddard Room, Oriel College

Convened by Prof. Carol Harrison and Dr. Brendan Harris

Week 1, 13th October (17:30-18:30)

Welcome drinks (Priory House, Christ Church) *Note the change of time and location for this week.

Week 2, 20th October

No Seminar this week.

Week 3, 27th October

Sea Yun Joung (Cambridge): The Imagination in Synesius of Cyrene's Epistolography

Week 4, 3rd November

Katie Painter (Oxford): Ethopoeia in Saint Ephrem the Syrian's Madrashē

Week 5

No seminar this week

Seminar participants are encouraged to attend the Receiving Nicaea conference at Pusey House, (Nov 12th-13th): https://www.puseyhouse.org.uk/receiving-nicaea

Week 6, 17th November

Alexander Bailey, CO (Oxford): Ad altare: Augustine's Confessions and the imitation of Monnica

Week 7, 24th November

Ashby Neterer (Oxford): Typologies of Mary in the *Christus Patiens* of (Pseudo?)-Gregory Nazianzen

Week 8, 1st Dec

End of term pub trip (location TBD)