

ANGLO-CATHOLIC HISTORY SOCIETY

Minutes of Annual General Meeting held at 6.30 p.m. on Monday 13th June 2016 at St Clement Danes

- 1) Apologies were received from John Hawes, William Parker, Canon Donald Gray, Mr & Mrs David Morgan, Virginia Johnstone, Bp Peter Wheatley, Fr John Salter, David Neil-Smith, Jason Frost and Miss C. E. Dex.
- 2) Minutes of 2015 meeting were approved and there were no matters arising.
- 3) Brent Skelly reported that membership is around 250. Income from annual subscriptions covers running costs. There is a large expenditure on postage and it would be helpful if more items could be sent out by e-mail. A small profit was obtained from Tours and the recent sale of surplus stock was helpful as the cost of storage had become excessive. Society accounts have now been computerised by Julie Dyg who spoke of her work and was willing to answer any questions. Chairman Fr Perry Butler now deals with membership matters. Members should take copies of the promotional leaflet to leave in places where they might be picked up. Fr Perry will send copies to theological colleges and courses. The Accounts and Report were accepted: proposed by Dr Swingler and seconded by Fr Clive Ross.
- 4) **Publications**. Michael Yelton reported that a biography of Dom Denys Prideaux, by Aidan Harker, was in course of preparation; and also a history of St Silas', Pentonville which had been begun by Michael Farrar. The book about Lost Churches of Manchester had sold out and might become available on disc. Trips had been arranged; the July tour in the Malling area had proved so popular that a larger coach had now been ordered. The Walking Tour in October would be in the Clapham area.
- 5) **Elections**. The presently serving Officers and Committee Members, being willing to stand once again, were re-elected en-bloc. Proposed by Alan Worsfold and seconded by Don Young. The Chairman, Fr Perry Butler, thanked his fellow-officers for the work done throughout the year, especially Mr Brent Skelly who attends to all routine matters. Also Stephen Savage for work on the Newsletter, who would be pleased to receive any contributions. He thanked Don Young for assisting with the accounts for many years and for assistance with mailings and Doreen Young for provision of food at the AGM.
- 6) **AOB**. A new member expressed appreciation of his initial acknowledgement and of the quality of the 'Welcome Pack' that he had received. Dr Colin Podmore drew the attention of members to his book about Frederica Frances Swinburne.
- 7) The meeting closed at 7.00 p.m. and after a short break the Chairman introduced the lecturer Revd Dr Mark Chapman.