

PROGRAMME

Church and Settlement in Ireland: Landscape, Life and Legacy

A joint conference of **The Group for the Study of Irish Historic Settlement**
and the **American Conference of Irish Medieval Studies**

27 February–1 March 2015

Thursday, 26 February

9:30 Bus tour of key ecclesiastical sites in the Boyne Valley (leaving All Hallows at 9:30). No charge, booking in advance essential, contact James Lyttleton – jlyttleton@hotmail.com

Friday, 27 February

18:00 Registration (Purcell Room, All Hallows, College)

18:30 Poster session and wine reception

Session One: Opening

1) 20:00 **Kevin Whelan**

Keough Naughton Notre Dame Centre, Dublin

‘Church and settlement in Ireland in long-term perspective’

Saturday, 28 February

Session Two: Early Medieval foundations 1

2) 9:30 **James G. Schryver,**

Department of History of Art, University of Minnesota, Morris, MN

‘Converting the land of the Irish: Saint Patrick, the Church, and the Irish landscape’

3) 10:10 **Tomás Ó Carragáin,**

Department of Archaeology, University College Cork

‘Churches, cemeteries and social power in Early Medieval Ireland: case studies from Laois and Tipperary’

4) 10:50 **Gill Boazman**

Department of Archaeology, University College Cork

‘The fruitful marriage: a regional comparison of ecclesiastical and secular settlement in early medieval Ireland’

11:30 Tea and coffee

Session Three: Early Medieval foundations 2

5) 11:50 **Brian Ó Broin**

Department of English, William Paterson University, NJ

‘Using aggregative statistical techniques to date Irish Saints' Lives’

6) 12:30 **Lahney Preston-Matto**

Department of English, Adelphi University, NY

‘Are you my brother?: Medieval Irish ecclesiastical fosterage’

13.10 Lunch

Session Four: Medieval transitions

7) 14:00 **Catherine Swift**

Department of History, Mary Immaculate College, University of Limerick

‘Killaloe – royal and ecclesiastical power bases on a merchant’s river’

8) 14:40 **Paul MacCotter**

University College Cork

'Parish origins in Ireland'

9) 15:20 **Marie Taylor**

Department of Geography, Mary Immaculate College, University of Limerick

'The Anglo-Norman settlement of county Limerick'

16.00 Tea and coffee

Session Five: Monastic Ireland, archaeology and architecture

10) 16:20 **Tracy Collins**

Department of Archaeology, University College Cork

'Isolated in the wilderness? An archaeological exploration of nunneries in the later medieval landscape of Ireland'

11) 17:00 **Colman Ó Clabaigh**

Glenstal Abbey

'The East Wing: form and function in the eastern ranges of late medieval Irish religious houses'

17:40 Book launch: Wordwell host the launch of their new publication, Christiaan Corlett and Michael Potterton (eds), *The church in early medieval Ireland in the light of recent archaeological excavations* (Research papers in Irish archaeology, no. 5).

20.00 Conference dinner (Skylon Hotel, Drumcondra)

Sunday, 1 March

Session Six: The Late Medieval Church, landscape and legacy

12) 9.30 **Anne-Julie Clemence Lafaye**

Department of History, Trinity College Dublin

'Mendicant orders in the towns and boroughs of Leinster: economy, urban development and social control'

13) 10.10 **Rhiannon Carey Bates**

Department of History, Trinity College Dublin

'The ecclesiastical landscape of later medieval Ireland: patterns of appointments to dioceses'

14) 10:50 **Geraldine Stout**

National Monuments Service, Department of Arts, Culture and the Gaeltacht

'Monastery to mansion: Tudor conversion of Irish Cistercian abbeys'

11.30 Tea and coffee

Session Seven: The Penal Era

15) 11.50 **David Fleming**

Department of History, University of Limerick

'The mass rock and eighteenth-century religious practice: legacies and realities'

16) 12:30 **Finbar McCormick**

Department of Archaeology, Queen's University Belfast

'Eighteenth century Catholic and Presbyterian churches'

13.10 Close