



54TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE - 30 AUGUST TO 2 SEPTEMBER

The Canon Law Society of Australia and New Zealand announces the 54th Annual Conference which will be held virtually – via Zoom. The presentations will be available to members and participants at the times listed below, as well as after the Conference on the CLSANZ website.

The **keynote** speaker at our Conference will be **Bishop Juan Ignacio Arrieta Ochoa de Chinchetru**, Secretary of the Pontifical Council for Legislative Texts since 15 February 2007. Bishop Arrieta spearheaded the project of the revision of Book VI of the Code of Canon Law dealing with crimes and penalties, including those related to clerical sexual abuse. Pope Francis promulgated the revised canons of Book VI on 23 May 2021 and the new legislation will come into effect on 8 December 2021.

Except for Bishop Arrieta in Rome, presentations will take about 45 minutes, after which there will be a time for Questions from participants. Because of the time difference, Bishop Arrieta will answer questions in a separate presentation.

This is a unique Conference, and our Society is fortunate to be able to conduct a “full” Conference on very relevant topics in these somewhat difficult times.

Members pay \$110 and Non-Members pay \$165 for access to **all** presentations.

Registrations OPEN on Friday, 11 June 2021

See page 4 as to how to register for this outstanding Conference.

Monday, 30 August

All times are Australian Eastern Standard Times

13:15	13:30	Welcome and Opening of Conference	
13:30	14:30	Bishop Arrieta	The Revised Book VI #1
15:00	16:00	Bishop Arrieta	The Revised Book VI #2

Tuesday, 31 August

09:30	10:30	Susan Pascoe	Synodality in Theory and in Practice
11:00	12:00	Peter Willis	Freedom of Religion, Conscience and Belief
13:00	14:00	Sue Rivett	Advocacy in Marriage Cases

Wednesday, 1 September

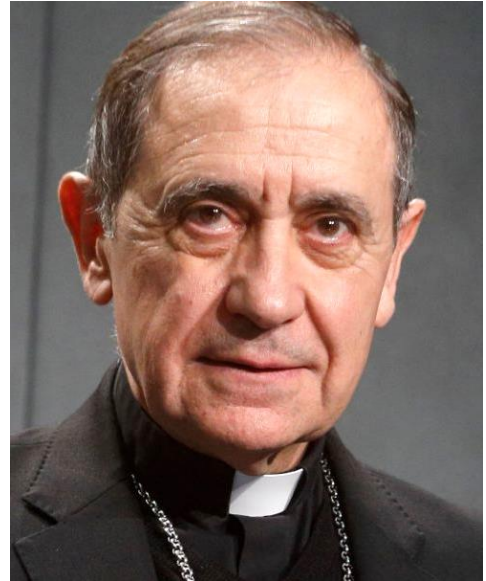
09:30	10:30	Brendan Daly	Things Old and New: the Pre-Penal Process
11:00	12:00	Rodger Austin	Things Old and New: the Penal Processes
13:00	14:00	Bishop Arrieta	Questions & Answers from Monday’s Presentations

Thursday, 2 September

09:30	10:30	Bishop Arrieta	Pope Francis’ Reform of the Roman Curia
11:00	12:00	Binh Le	The Ground of Error
13:00	14:00	Annual General Meeting, including Elections	

THE PRESENTERS

Bishop Juan Ignacio Arrieta was born in Vitoria, Spain, and was ordained to the priesthood for the Prelature of the Holy Cross (Opus Dei) on 23 August 1977. He received doctorates in canon law and jurisprudence and served as professor of canon law, firstly at the University of Navarra (Spain) and then in Rome and Venice. Bishop Arrieta was Dean of the Faculty of Canon Law at the Pontifical University of the Holy Cross from its creation in 1984 until 1993, and again from 1995 to 1999. He founded and until 2002 directed the journal *Ius Ecclesiae*. In 2003 he became Dean of the Institute of Canon Law of Saint Pius X, Venice. In the Roman Curia he held the positions of canon prelate of the Apostolic Penitentiary, legal secretary of the Supreme Tribunal of the Apostolic Signatura, and judge of the Ecclesiastical Tribunal of the State of Vatican City. He served as a consultor to the Congregation for the Clergy, the Pontifical Council for the Family, and the Pontifical Council for Legislative Texts. Pope Benedict XVI appointed him secretary of the Pontifical Council for Legislative Texts on 15 February 2007, and named him titular bishop of Civitate on 12 April 2008. He received his episcopal consecration on 1 May 2008.



Dr Susan Pascoe AM is Adjunct Professor at the University of Western Australia. She Chairs the Australian Council for International Development, the Community Director's Council, and the Advisory Board of Catholic Emergency Relief Australia. She is a Trustee of St John of God Health, a Mercy Health Board Member, and a member of the AICD's NFP Chair's group. She is a Fellow of the Australian Institute of Company Directors, the Institute of Public Administration of Australia and the Australian College of Educators. She was the inaugural Commissioner for the ACNC, prior to which she was Victorian State Services Authority Commissioner, and one of three Commissioners for the 2009 Royal Commission into Black Saturday Bushfires. Her earlier career was in education where she served as Director of Catholic Education in the Archdiocese of Melbourne, and CEO and Chair of the Catholic Education Commission of Victoria. Susan will explore the topic of synodality with

reference to the writings of Pope Francis, recent reports such as *The Light from the Southern Cross: Promoting Co-responsible Governance in the Catholic Church in Australia*, the report of the governance review of the Diocese of Parramatta, and the planning for Australia's Plenary Council and the forthcoming Synod on Synodality.

Dr Peter Willis SC has forty years' experience as a civil lawyer. He was called to the Bar in 1999 and took silk in 2015. Prior to joining the Bar, he was a partner of a leading national law firm. He has a diverse practice, encompassing constitutional and administrative law, native title and corporate and commercial law. As a Ministerial Adviser to two Federal Attorneys-General, he worked on the proposed Australian Bill of Rights Bill in the mid-1980s; more recently, he chaired the Victorian Bar's Human Rights Committee for six years. He has advised the Australian Catholic Bishops' Conference and several Archdioceses on contemporary human rights topics. He is a long-standing member of the International Law Association and American Society of International Law. The full title of his presentation is: ***Freedom of religion, conscience and belief - current issues in Australian civil law.***





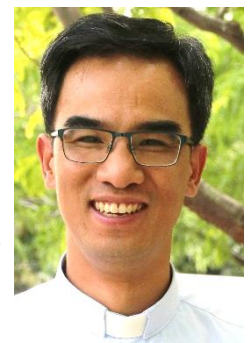
Ms Sue Rivett began working for her local parish in the Archdiocese of Adelaide, South Australia, when her sons were attending the parish school, and since that time she has been involved in many areas of parish life, including the Liturgy Committee and Parish Pastoral Council. She began as a catechist for children in the state schools, assisting with the organization of the sacramental programme for children and moving into co-ordination of RCIA for nearly thirty years. In 1998 she began to work transcribing interviews for the Interdiocesan Tribunal of Adelaide. From there she moved into interviewing, advocacy and after 14 years with the Tribunal was invited by Archbishop Philip Wilson to study canon law at the Catholic University of America, Washington DC. Graduating with a JCL in 2011 she was appointed as a judge in the Adelaide Tribunal and now assists the Judicial Vicar, having been appointed Director in 2012, a position she holds to the present day.

Msgr Brendan Daly is a priest of the Diocese of Christchurch, New Zealand. He studied canon law at the St Paul University Ottawa, completing his doctorate in 1986. He taught at Holy Cross College from 1987 and was Rector of Holy Cross Seminary from 1995-2000. He was lecturer in canon law at Good Shepherd College - *Te Heparā Pai* in 2001 and appointed Principal in 2002. The merger of Good Shepherd College with The Catholic Institute led to the foundation of *Te Kupenga* - Catholic Leadership Institute which conducts Catholic Theological College, National Centre for Religious Studies, and the Nathaniel Centre for Catholic Bioethics. Bendan is lecturer in canon law at Te Kupenga Catholic Theological College and has pastoral responsibility for international students. He is the Judicial Vicar of the Tribunal of the Catholic Church for New Zealand. He is the author of *Canon Law in Action* published by St Pauls Publications in 2015. He publishes articles in canon law journals, *The Canonist* - the Canon Law Society of Australia and New Zealand and *Studia Canonica* - St Paul University Ottawa.



Dr Rodger Austin obtained his degree in theology at the Ecclesiastical Faculty of Sydney in 1967 and his doctorate in canon law at the Pontifical Urban University Rome in 1972. A lecturer in canon law at Catholic Theological Institutes in Sydney between 1972 and 1996, he was a judge of the Ecclesiastical Interdiocesan Tribunal of Sydney 1979-2004 and of the Tribunal of Appeal for Australia and New Zealand 1981-2004. He is an advocate for the Interdiocesan Tribunal of Sydney. He is a consultant to diocesan bishops, diocesan agencies, parishes, religious institutes and other Catholic Church organizations and individuals. He was engaged as a canon law expert for the *Special Commission of Inquiry into matters relating to the police investigation of certain child sexual abuse allegations in the Catholic Diocese of Maitland-Newcastle* 2013-2014. He acts as a canon law expert before the Courts of civil jurisdictions in respect of hearings relating to sexual abuse and financial malfeasance. He is a contributor to *The Canonist*, the journal of the Canon Law Society of Australia and New Zealand.

Fr Binh Le was born in Viet Nam and came to Australia in 1990. He was ordained to the priesthood in 2008 for the Archdiocese of Melbourne. He completed his licentiate in canon law in 2017 at the Pontifical University of Saint Thomas Aquinas, also known as the Angelicum, located in Rome. Since 2017 he has been parish priest of St Joseph's Parish, Newport and Spotswood in Melbourne. and works at the Melbourne Office of the Tribunal of Victoria and Tasmania as a Defender of the Bond, an Advocate and Case Instructor.



HOW TO REGISTER

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Register online at: www.clsanz.catholic.org.au/events/

OR

Register by completing the form below and returning it by email or mail.

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Conference Dates

Monday, 30 August to Thursday, 2 September 2021

REGISTRATION FORM FOR THOSE UNABLE TO COMPLETE ONLINE REGISTRATION

Title: _____ First Name: _____ Family Name: _____

Postal Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Email: _____

Please return this form to The Secretary, CLANZ

- by email to secretary@clsanz.catholic.org.au
- or by mail to PO Box 1, Lismore NSW 2480, Australia

The Secretariat will contact you regarding payment.

Registrations close on 2 August 2021 and payment is due on 2 August 2021.

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