



Medieval Furness: Texts and Contexts

A One-Day Conference to be held at Furness Abbey in Barrow-in-Furness on Friday, 8 July 2011

The aim of this conference is to complement the two-year AHRC project, 'Hagiography at the Frontiers: Jocelin of Furness and Cross-Border Politics'.

The conference is supported by the Universities of Liverpool and Cambridge.

Programme

9.00 Registration

9.30 Opening remarks: Keith Stringer (Lancaster University)

9.45 Janet Burton (University of Wales)

'Furness, Savigny and the Cistercian World'

10.15 Hugh Doherty (University of Oxford)

'The twelfth-century benefactors and enemies of Furness Abbey'

10.45 Tea/Coffee

11.15 John Reuben Davies (University of Glasgow)

'The Life of St Waldef, abbot of Melrose'

11.45 Marie-Therese Flanagan (Queen's University, Belfast)

'The Life of St Patrick, patron saint of Ireland'

12.15 Sean Duffy (Trinity College Dublin)

'Ulster, Dublin and the Irish Sea Region in the age of Jocelin'

12.45 Lunch

14.00 Helen Birkett (University of Edinburgh)

'Jocelin and the literary legacy of Furness Abbey'

14.30 Jason Wood (Heritage Consultancy Services)

'Furness Abbey: art, literature and tourism'

15.00 Closing Remarks by Richard Sharpe (University of Oxford)

15.30 Visit to Furness Abbey

The conference will end with dinner at 6.00pm