2020 Manchester Newman Lecture
The 2020 Manchester Newman Lecture will be given by Cardinal Archbishop Michael Fitzgerald M Afr. The title of his talk will be *The Situation of Christians in the Arab World*. Archbishop Michael was created Cardinal by Pope Francis at a recent consistory. He belongs to the Missionaries of Africa (previously known as White Fathers). He is a leading expert on Islam, Christian-Muslim relations and inter-religious dialogue.
The lecture will be held on **Tuesday 19 May 2020**, 6.30 for 7pm at the Friends Meeting House, Manchester M2 5NS.
To book, contact Chris Quirke, e-mail dcq@mac.com phone 07764 946074
Entry is free but a donation to cover costs on the day will be most welcome.

2020 London Newman Lecture
The 2020 London Newman Lecture will be held on **Thursday May 28 (6.00 for 6.30)** at Farm Street Church Hall, Mount Street London W1K 3AH. The lecture will be given by Austin Ivereigh on Pope Francis and St John Henry Newman – *Freedom, authority and the challenge of the isolated conscience*. Tickets £10 (to include a glass of wine) (payable at the door). To book, contact Kevin Clarke, email: kevin.clarke@keme.co.uk or telephone: 07710498510

2020 AGM
The 2020 AGM will be held at The County Hotel, Newcastle on **Saturday June 13** commencing at **11.00**. Further details, including lunch arrangements, in the May Journal.

Newman Conference
Another conference with *Living Theology* will be held in York on **Saturday and Sunday July 11** and 12. The course leaders will be Fr Philip Harrison SJ, Dr George Herring and Rev Dr Martin Poulsom. The title of the conference is *The Word of God - hearing and responding* and the fee is £70 for the weekend or £40 for one day. For all further information, and the Booking Form, please see the website jesuit.org.uk/living-theology-york-2020. Any additional queries to Patricia Egerton on 01642-645732.
All the sessions will be held in The Bar Convent, 17 Blossom Street, York YO24 1AQ. If you wish to stay at the Bar Convent please book early on 01904-643238, quoting ‘The Newman’.
Otherwise there are several hotels in the vicinity. N.B. Please book for the conference and accommodation separately.

Circle Programmes
Would Circle Secretaries please send any updates to their 2019 - 2020 circle programmes to the webmaster at; webmaster@newman.org.uk with a copy to newsletter@newman.org.uk

What’s On
The following dates were received too late for inclusion in What’s On?
**Birmingham** 14 March - Edward Elgar from Cradle to Grave - Jon Goldswain.
**Wrexham** 27 March – CAFOD’s work in El Salvador- Colette Byrne.
Newman Retreat

Council have planned a three-day retreat at Douai Abbey in Berkshire from 25th – 27th September. The retreat will be led by Mgr Pat Kilgarriff, the national Chaplain and the theme will be *The God Who Speaks*. The expected cost for the weekend will be around £140. Further details in the May Newman Journal.

Newman Journal

The deadline for the May 2020 Journal is 15th March 2020. Articles for publication should be e-mailed directly to the Editor at editor@newman.org.uk.

Council

The main purpose of the Council meeting on 7th March was to consider arrangements for the 2020 AGM, in particular ways of filling the posts of Secretary and Treasurer. Brian Hamill agreed to accept the position of Minutes Secretary. Similarly out-sourcing much of the Treasurer’s work could make that role more attractive. It was agreed that the President should write to all circle secretaries and “unattached” members explaining Council’s problems. A joint Newman/NBCW conference with the theme Climate Emergency was proposed for October 2020. Council also discussed a possible pilgrimage to Ravenna and Bologna in the spring term 2021. A booklet on the proposed CIO status will be included with the May Journal.

The Annual Report is being prepared but some Circle Treasurers have failed to provide their Financial Reports preventing the Annual Report being completed. The Membership Secretary noted that membership had fallen to 564.

The next Council meeting will be held on 25th April in London.

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Best wishes

Kevin Lambert

Forthcoming Events

19 May – Manchester Newman Lecture – Manchester
13 June – AGM – Newcastle
11 – 12 July – Newman conference - York
25 - 27 September – Newman retreat – Berkshire 2021