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Corpus Christi College, Cambridge, MS 201: A Workshop

We plan to hold a workshop on Saturday, 19 June, devoted to Corpus Christi College, MS 201. This manuscript contains a collection of homiletic, legal, monastic, religious and other texts in Latin and Old English (Part I), now joined with a bilingual copy from Exeter of the *Capitula* of Theodulf of Orléans (Part II) formerly bound with MSS 191 and 196. A number of the homilies and legal texts are by Wulfstan, Archbishop of York, and elements of the collection show his influence. The Old English texts include sets of verses, *Apollonius of Tyre* and a translation of the *Regularis Concordia*. Part I was apparently produced in stages, perhaps in more than one centre; it was augmented apparently at the New Minster, Winchester. Its character, structure and place(s) of origin have long been subject to debate.

The manuscript has been a focus of our research work at the Parker Library over a number of years. For example, it was closely examined for a new catalogue of Anglo-Saxon and related manuscripts at Corpus. As part of our ongoing exploration of the manuscript, the workshop will discuss its nature, its problems, its context and related matters. We hope you might attend to give your advice and help.

We aim to run the workshop on informal lines, as a round table. This will give plenty of opportunity to respond to the speakers and ask questions. Mildred Budny will give an introduction to the manuscript and summarise our research work on it. Patrick Wormald will discuss its structure and its connection with Archbishop Wulfstan. Malcolm Godden will present a case for its production at Winchester. Graham Caie will examine the poetic texts, their *mise-en-page* and their relation to the rest of the manuscript. Joyce Hill will consider the problems of the first text by Scribe A, the *Regularis Concordia*. Tim Graham will survey the signs of early modern use in the book. We hope that others will contribute to the discussion from their areas of specialisation and interest.

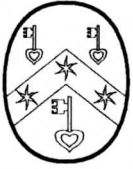
MS 201 will be available for examination during the workshop, along with others in the collection. They will include the manuscripts with which Part II formerly belonged (MSS 191 and 196); and the two Corpus witnesses to Archbishop Wulfstan's so-called Commonplace Book (MSS 190 and 265). Other manuscripts may emerge for inspection as they occur to us in the course of the session.

The workshop will meet in the Parker Library. We will begin at 11 a.m., break for lunch and continue until about 4:30 p.m. Because the College no longer provides lunches on Saturdays we have to adjourn for lunch in town. Alas, we must ask our participants to contribute to the cost of lunch, as our Research Group funds cannot cover it. To let us know whom we may expect, please fill out the enclosed form and return it to me as soon as possible.

Invitations are sent to: R.I. Page, Mildred Budny, Tim Graham, Catherine Hall, Nicholas Hadgraft, Nigel Wilkins, Simon Keynes, Graham Caie, Joyce Hill, Andrew Prescott, Christine Fell, Janet Batley, Malcolm Godden, Patrick Wormald, Alex Rumble, Tessa Webber, Kathryn Lowe, Stephen Harper, Rohinie Jayatilaka.

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I will be able to attend the seminar on Saturday, 19 June
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