



The Campion Society and the Development of the Lay Apostolate in Australia

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Colin Jory, author “The Campion Society and Catholic social militancy in Australia 1929-39”

Dr Richard Doig, author, “The National Catholic Rural Movement and a ‘New Deal’ for Australia: the rise and fall of an agrarian movement 1931-1958.”

7.00pm AEDT Tuesday 15 February 2022 via Zoom

Remembering Australia’s lay apostolate pioneers

Inspired by the encyclicals *Rerum Novarum* and later by *Quadragesimo Anno*, in 1929 a group of Catholic university students from Melbourne launched a study circle they called “The Campion Society” to study and act on the social issues facing Australia.

As the Great Depression took hold over the next decade, the Campion Society members launched or helped launch a wide range of social initiatives, including the YCW, the Australian National Secretariat of Catholic Action, the National Catholic Rural Movement and many others.

Colin Jory, author of “The Campion Society and Catholic social militancy in Australia 1929-39” and Richard Doig, author of a doctoral thesis “The National Catholic Rural Movement and a ‘New Deal’ for Australia: the rise and fall of an agrarian movement 1931-1958”, will share their research on these pioneering lay apostolate initiatives that foreshadowed Vatican II’s conception of the laity’s role in transforming the world.

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Richard Doig, [The National Catholic Rural Movement and a ‘New Deal’ for Australia: the rise and fall of an agrarian movement 1931-1958](#) (Charles Sturt University)



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