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50 years ago

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The Dutch Catholics have produced a new Catechism for adults which has already sold three-quarters of a million copies in the Netherlands. It is not only a fresh presentation of the faith but embodies a new method of teaching ... There are many dangers in what is happening. Sixty priests left the ministry last year. The theological re-thinking tends to lose hold of the fact that Christian belief depends on events that actually occurred.

There is a danger of losing the sense of mystery ... There is great danger in the gulf between the "conservative" and "progressive" wings. The conservatives seem too proud to climb down and join the pilgrim Church, while the progressives can deal brutally with tradition ... Piet Fransen, a professor at Louvain, has stated bluntly that "things are being said and written which cannot possibly be reconciled with our faith".

100 years ago

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Sir ... The Protestant virus was not swallowed here in the same big dose [as in north Germany]. England for centuries had been saturated with Catholicism and with the Latin tradition and culture. The new religion was but sullenly accepted, or crammed down the throats of the people ... It was not here so absolute and total a break with the past ... and the state Church here retained more of the old Church's doctrine and much of its

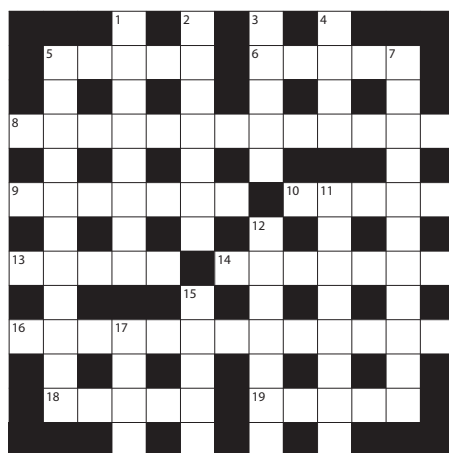
outward constitution and semblance. We have had thinkers who, cut off from traditional Catholic teaching, sowed the seeds of scepticism: but these did not reach the hearts of our people. We are a practical rather than a logical race, content, if left to ourselves, to till and trade and grow rich, to listen rather than to talk, to live and let live, and jog on in the old conservative rut. I am, yours, &c., George Ambrose [Burton], Bishop of Clifton.

PUZZLES

PRIZE CROSSWORD No. 571 | Axe

Across

- 5 Port Paul used needing visa or ticket to travel back through (5)
- 6 A crucial point a reactive Ethiopian patriarch made (5)
- 8 Rambling epic with no preface: undoing of Messiah? (6,2,5)
- 9 International force introduced to rescue many sinners on Judgement Day (7)
- 10 Masses he wrote for, marginally down after book fair (5)
- 13 Hellenistic Jew's attaching nothing to a short N.T. book (5)
- 14 Nick, during Christmas, returned to O.T. site (7)
- 16 Girl's pony Jesus rode from here? (5,2,6)
- 18 Saint did wrong withholding name, on reflection (5)
- 19 Titus' help for Church here's substantial but missing a trick (5)



Down

- 1 Pope, informally, reunited Lennon and McCartney (4,4)
- 2 Ascetics, an indefinite number, observed in two points three times (7)
- 3 Facing Jewish activists, French forces attacked Joppa today (5)
- 4 Thou wilt say it's shorter, this day around the winter solstice! (4)
- 5 Dubious relic: rush round it, embarrassing ... (5,6)
- 7 ... to see; hear codices are to be rewritten (11)

- 11 Barely established, does this early Christian sect need clobbering? (8)
- 12 Exult when Jericho collapsed, with the freeing of top Hebrews key (7)
- 15 What a prophet discards is not applicable when supporting a southern king (5)
- 17 Habits these women get into? (4)

Please send your answers to:

Crossword Competition 12 August

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● The answers to this week's puzzles and the crossword winner's name will appear in the 2 September issue.

Solution to the 22 July crossword No. 568

Across: 5 Nazarenes; 8 Zeus; 9 The Koran; 10 Lucifer; 12 Barak; 14 Nahor; 15 Damaris; 17 Pelagius; 18 Ahaz; 19 Oratorios.

Down: 1 Mars; 2 Matthew; 3 Negev; 4 Jehoiada; 6 Jerusalem; 7 Samaritan; 11 Idolatry; 13 Samsara; 16 Pietà; 18 Amon.

Winner: Jean van Altena, Pocklington, East Yorkshire.

SUDOKU | Challenging

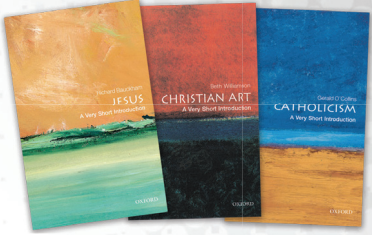
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