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Pius XII stressed the need for public opinion in the Church. But there cannot be public opinion in the Church [writes Karl Rahner SJ in *The Month*] if it is thought of in advance as universal applause for everything which office-holders in the Church want or have decided. For this public opinion to be public opinion in the Church and of the Church it must obviously stay within the framework of the one binding confession of faith, and manifest an attitude of ready

obedience to the authority and the leadership of those who hold office, but that does not mean that there can be no serious difference of opinion about theological matters in the Church, nor does it mean that in advance and in principle one has to rule out all situations in which a Christian appeals to his conscience and hesitates to obey a particular command of an ecclesiastical office-holder ... Tensions do not destroy the unity of our confession of faith or the will to obedience and love.

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Pope Benedict XV has sent the following letter to the Bishops of Ireland:

... It will be your duty and the duty of the other bishops and clergy, both secular and regular, diligently to see that your people, despite insidious attacks, retain their ancient Faith, and be united by yet closer bonds to the Apostolic See.

Indeed We are not ignorant of how many and how great are the difficulties in which the Bishops of the Universal

Church and their clergy find themselves at present, but if they imitate the Christian fortitude of the venerable [Oliver] Plunket, using that prudence and moderation which the discharge of the apostolic ministry demands, especially where the condition of things is more grave and more dangerous, We are confident that they will carry out their obligations faithfully, and prepare, as far as is possible, happier times for the holy Church of God.

PUZZLES

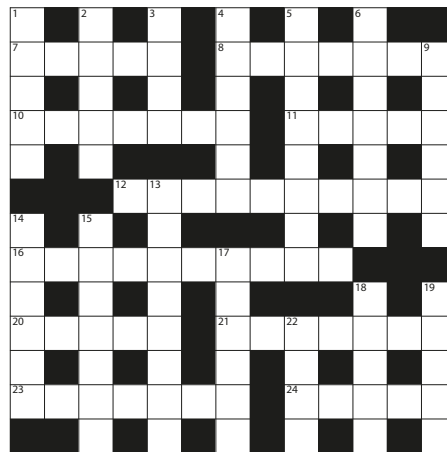
PRIZE CROSSWORD No. 623 | Enigma

Across

- 7 (and 19 Down) There's no place for the hen that protects us (5,5)
8 Release two articles from France with some waste product (7)
10 Destroy a weapon and compose a tune about perfumed oil (7)
11 In the Great Saint's town, they seek of her house (5)
12 Peter's one church is no longer hidden from the world (4,6)
16 They say to change the fabric in the church (5,5)
20 Watch part of the decade (5)
21 Claim to be a flower girl on the continent (7)
23 Say one makes a judgement about the teams (7)
24 Eleven swallowed by wriggling eel in a foreign country (5)

Down

- 1 The sailor's little cake contains fat (5)
2 Gosh, soldier, you've got a dog! (5)
3 Where one may meet someone who isn't there (4)



- 4 This saint is a very recent arrival in Heaven (6)
5 Start to conclude that those with least fat are the most hygienic (8)
6 Artist descending damaged spire with weapons (7)
9 This chap with the paintings and sculptures holds all the cards? – Not all of them! (6)
13 I dope Rex with bleach (8)
14 Loathing the colour of the headgear (6)

- 15 What letters are inclined to be (7)
17 Keep both eyes on the hectic sale while you act as go-between (6)
18 For the very bright, 6 + 6 comes to a penny (5)
19 See 7 Across (5)
22 Always in a reverie (4)

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Crossword Competition 1 September

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Please include your full name, telephone number and email address, and a mailing address. Three books – on Jesus, Christian Art and Catholicism – from the OUP's Very Short Introduction series will go to the sender of the first correct entry drawn at random on Friday 14 September.

● The answers to this week's puzzles and the crossword winner's name will appear in the 22 September issue.

Solution to the 11 August crossword No. 620

Across: 7 Aelred; 8 Mactan; 10 Calcium; 11 Alder; 12 Adda; 13 Alban; 17 Shake; 18 Pele; 22 Rigna; 23 Thallus; 24 Cranes; 25 Byland.

Down: 1 Calchas; 2 Old Lady; 3 Begin; 4 Bahamas; 5 Study; 6 Indri; 9 Amalekite; 14 Shearer; 15 Bellman; 16 Lee side; 19 Crick; 20 Ogham; 21 Calyx.

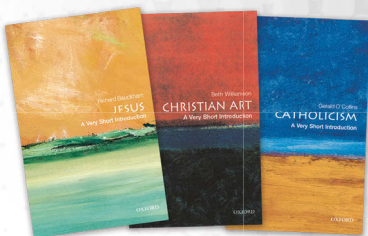
Winner: Thomas Todd, of Blackheath, south-east London.

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