



**Belmont Abbey**

Retreats, Conferences & Workshops

# The Gospel of **JOHN** at Easter



with

**Dom Henry Wansbrough**

*Friday 20th to Sunday 22nd*

*April 2012*

Cost £28 plus meals/accommodation.

**F**rom the earliest centuries the Fourth Gospel has accompanied the Church through Lent and Eastertide, and the reading of its Passion has been central to Good Friday. Eastertide then, is the perfect moment to enter into the text of what is for many Christians the summit of the Gospel tradition: a work that soars to the heights like an eagle.

St John's Gospel captures our attention through very simple words and concrete imagery: bread, water, flesh. Yet we struggle to understand its layers of meaning and shifting conversations. The text is so rich and deep. We are drawn into the profound realities of life, death and love through signs and symbols. And we are led to adore Christ, risen, exalted, glorified and say with Thomas *'My Lord and my God.'*

There is no better person than Dom Henry Wansbrough to guide us through the text and help us grasp its meaning on this study weekend. Who wrote this extraordinary Gospel? How did it come into being? And how might we appropriate its *'message of eternal life.'*

*Dom Henry was General Editor of the New Jerusalem Bible and served as a member of the Pontifical Biblical Commission. Above all he is a great teacher. Dom Henry is a monk of Ampleforth Abbey.*

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## General Information

- ❖ All retreats and conferences at Belmont take their rhythm from the Divine Office and Mass, the daily round of prayer of the monastic community which guests are welcome to attend.
- ❖ You are welcome to arrive at any time Friday afternoon. Vespers (Evening Prayer) is at 5.55pm. Supper follows at 6.50pm and the first session at 8.20pm.
- ❖ Departures are after 1.00pm lunch on Sunday.
- ❖ Talks are normally held in the Kemble Room, situated halfway between the Hedley Lodge entrance and the Abbey Church.
- ❖ Meals and accommodation are in Hedley Lodge Guesthouse which provides a comfortable and relaxed atmosphere for your stay.
- ❖ If the accommodation is available you are welcome to extend your stay. The number for Hedley Lodge is 01432 374747.