



PRESBYTERS IN THE LATE ANTIQUE WEST

CfP: Clerics and Their Households in Late Antiquity and Early Middle Ages (IMC Leeds 2018)

At the forthcoming Medieval Congress in Leeds (2-5 July 2018) the team of the 'Presbyters in the Late Antique West' Project, based at the University of Warsaw, together with Lisa Bailey of the University of Auckland, organizes a strand on the everyday life of clergy. We would like to have a glimpse of what was happening inside the houses of the clerics, especially in the period when they were still running large family households.

This session will seek to answer the following questions:

- What was the legal status of the wives and children of clerics, both from the ecclesiastical and civil point of view?
- What was the position of the servants and slaves in the households of clerics?
- How did the relations with their familiars and neighbours influence the opinions and preaching of the clerics?
- What do archaeology and epigraphy tell us about the living conditions of the clergy in the first millennium?

Those interested in presenting papers on such and similar topics are requested to send the title and a short abstract (ca 100 words) to Stanisław Adamiak (s.adamiak2@uw.edu.pl) and Lisa Bailey (lk.bailey@auckland.ac.nz) by 20 September 2017. Please note that unfortunately the project is unable to fund speakers' expenses.