



St. THOMAS MORE FORUM

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“The Religious Beliefs of Australian Prime Ministers”



Wednesday 10th November 2010 7.30 – 9.00pm
St. Thomas More Hall at 30 White Crescent, Campbell followed by light supper.

Presented by

John Warhurst AO

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National University**

The Speaker

John Warhurst AO is Emeritus Professor of Political Science at the Australian National University and Fellow, The Australian Prime Ministers Centre, Museum of Australian Democracy, 2010. He was Professor of Political Science at ANU, 1993-2008 and Professor of Politics, University of New England, 1985-1993. He is a former President of the Australasian Political Studies Association. John Warhurst is a Weekly Columnist with The Canberra Times since 1998 and a Columnist with Eureka Street magazine,

These beliefs of prime ministers have sometimes shaped their public personalities and have also intersected with political campaigns and debates. However, the Australian tradition has generally been for policy and religion to be kept apart.

Speech Synopsis

This talk will discuss the personal approach to religious belief and unbelief of the twenty-six Australian Prime Ministers since 1901 with particular attention given to some of the major figures among them. There has been a wide range of approach to religious belief, including various Christian denominations, from observant to nominal, and several prominent prime ministers have rejected religion altogether.

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