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#### INTRODUCTION

The seventh volume of the 'Brisbane Catholic Historical Society' Journal is presented for its members and wider readers. Two of the papers were not read at a meeting but as they were presented to the Society, they are included in this collection.

In this issue I feel the standard of the papers has never been surpassed and I have been associated with the Journal since its inception.

The contributors include six veterans and five new writers. Fr Neil Byrne has the second part of his article on the clergy under Bishop Quinn who migrated to the United States. It is as interesting and as well documented as we have learnt to expect.

The longest paper on the Queensland Church on the Eve of Vatican II, is a superb piece of research by Jeffrey Murphy, a graduate student of Griffith University. All readers should find it an exciting account of the background of the Church in that important period of our history.

Four Sisters of different Congregations, Presentation, Josephite, Mercy and Good Samaritan, supplied histories and reflections in this volume.

Laurie Rosenblum gave a detailed account on Jewish/Christian relations in Australia. His anger shows through but that is understandable.

Frs Chris Hanlon, Denis Martin and Gregory Bourke OCD, supplied very well researched articles on Augustus Pugin, James Cleary and the Golden Jubilee of the Foundation of the Discalced Carmelites in Australia.

Finally, Camille Appleton gave a short paper on the history of the Queensland branch of the Newman Society.

I'm sure all readers will find this issue of the Journal well worth perusing, with perhaps some papers more appealing than others, but on the whole the standard is such that the contributors deserve the thanks of all the members of the Society.

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