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**M**ost of us associate Bishop Andrewes with the Authorized Version of the Bible. King James I (of the United Kingdom) initiated a new translation of the Christian Scriptures arising out of the Hampton Court Conference of 1604 A.D. Andrewes, who served successively as Bishop of Chichester, Ely and Winchester, was chosen to oversee this project, owing to his command of the English language. The Authorized Version of the Bible has since become one of the most influential books of all time.

Whilst Andrewes died one year after the accession of Charles I, his sermons had a profound effect on the monarch. After Andrewes' death, Charles ordered his sermons to be collected and published. So profound an effect had they in the English-speaking world, that even T.S. Eliot was moved to convert to Anglicanism from Unitarianism after their reading. According to Eliot, "they rank with the finest English prose of their time, of any time."

Also of interest to the English monarchy, James I asked Andrewes to deliver a sermon after the infamous "Gunpowder Plot" had been exposed, wherein Andrewes addresses the reason to institute its commemoration and to continue its celebration throughout the ages. Preached at Whitehall, one year after the plot had failed, Andrewes states: *And the very same day wherin that appointment was disappointed by God, and we all saved, that we might not die but live, and declare the praise of the Lord: the Lord of whose doing, that marvellous deed was, of whose making, this joyfull day is, that we celebrate.*



Like James I and Charles I, Andrewes was a strong proponent of episcopal ecclesiology and traveled with James to Scotland in an attempt to dissuade the Scots of their preference of Presbyterianism. In the end, these overtures were soundly rejected.

Andrewes died on 25 September 1626 at Winchester House in Southwark (Southwark having not yet been created as a separate diocese), and was buried beside the high altar at what is now the Southwark Cathedral.

*Bringing this facet of Caroline history to mind, here is news pertaining to some contemporary activities of our Society:*

**F**irst, the movement from summer to fall opens up a natural time to **recruit new members**. To do that, the Society has a membership flyer that is available as a printer's proof – in other words, you can make your own copies using your own copying machine! Just send an email to [membership@skcm-usa.org](mailto:membership@skcm-usa.org) and we'll send you a PDF copy for your use. The flyer may also be ordered with other Society goods, as usual, although getting it that way necessarily takes longer.

**S**econd, we are pleased to formally announce the Society's 35<sup>th</sup> Annual North American Mass for Royal Martyr Day:

**SOCIETY OF KING CHARLES THE MARTYR  
XXXV ANNUAL SOLEMN MASS  
OF SAINT CHARLES, K.M.**

**11 a.m., Saturday, 27 January 2018**

**St. Timothy's Anglican Church, Fort Worth, TX**

*Celebrant & Preacher:*

The Rt Rev'd Keith L. Ackerman, SSC, DD, Vicar

The Rt Rev'd Jack Leo Iker, SSC, DD,

Bishop of Fort Worth, *presiding*

*Buffet Luncheon reservations: \$20 by 19 January;*

checks to "St. Timothy's" - memo "SKCM"

Send to church at 4201 Mitchell Blvd., Fort Worth, TX 76119

Contact: 817-536-7856 or [info@sttimothysacc.com](mailto:info@sttimothysacc.com)

Church website: [www.sttimothysacc.com](http://www.sttimothysacc.com)

**T**hird, there is now in place a **new pricing system for all goods sold by the Society: free shipping within the United States**. Up to this point, with the exception of the silver medal one has had to pay both the native cost of an item plus 25% for shipping and handling. Now, one simply pays a single cost which factors in the usual shipping and handling costs for that item – our goods coordinators examined the true costs for each item. The bottom line is that **for most items the total purchase cost has gone down**. We made this decision when we noted an increase in the cost to us of our resupply of some neckties and bow ties (silk has not exactly gone down in cost), with it being unfair to magnify the impact of that added cost by another 25%. We've necessarily retained the \$20 surcharge (total, not per item) for any orders shipped outside the USA.

Speaking of ties, we offer our specially made **Society neckties and bow ties** at a very competitive price. They are made by the well-known, high-quality firm Ben Silver. You are encouraged to view and order them, either for your personal use or for Christmas gifts (it's not too early!) Watch for news on special Ben Silver-crafted, Society-identifying scarves, now in the works, which will be individually made.

In terms of particularly attractive goods, we've already sold 56 copies of the **Anglican Daily Prayers** collection by our member Peter Yancey, Ph.D., that was introduced a year ago. A former Society Board member recently described this volume as the most attractive publication that the Society has ever offered! Consider adding this to your personal devotional and gift lists.

**All Society goods are available through our website, [www.skcm-usa.org](http://www.skcm-usa.org), using our PayPal account.** Or if you prefer to wait a month, use the order list and form that will accompany the annual dues billing/contributions invitation which will reach you during the second part of October.

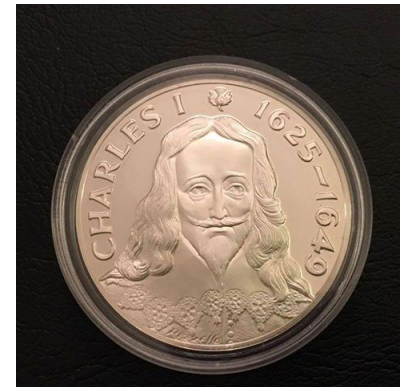
**F**ourth, **Society members are invited to submit nominations** for Board of Trustees consideration as members of the **Order of Blessed William Laud, Abp. & Martyr**. Today the rolls of this select group include over 50 members and supporters of the Society, in this life and the next, designated since the creation of this recognition in 2009.



In accordance with Board policy, the members of the Order are elected “in recognition of contributions rising to a certain level, or higher, of significance as to impact and benefit to the Society by members and supporters who are not members ... Election to membership in the Order of Laud shall be considered equivalent to the designation of Benefactor status with regard to impact and benefit to the Society.” Just as Benefactors are entitled to use “Ben.” after their names, Order of Laud members may use “OL”.

Such nominations, giving background on the candidate and stating why he or she should be honored, should be sent by **2 November 2017** to The Ven. James G. Monroe, Ph.D., SSC, OL, Awards Chairman, at [jimmon39@gmail.com](mailto:jimmon39@gmail.com) or 4310 Meadow Forest Lane, Kingwood TX 77345-3007 USA, for consideration during the current awards cycle.

Thank you.



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