Editorial

Dear Readers,

Today we can present you with the November 2026 issue of *Religions & Christianity in Today's China* (中国宗教评论), which is the fourth issue this year.

We continue with the regular series of News Updates on recent events and general trends with regard to religions and especially Christianity in today's China.

Prof. Dr. Leopold Leeb, Renmin University of China in Beijing, in his article "A Milestone for the Catholic Church in China: The Consecration of Six Chinese Bishops in 1926" gives an overview of this decisive event for the indigenization of the Catholic Church in China. The bishops were personally ordained by Pope Pius XI. on October 28, 1926 in Rome. Prof. Leeb also gives details on the life and the ministry the newly ordained undertook in China after their return back home to their individual dioceses.

Prof. Dr. Hans Ingvar Roth, Professor of Human Rights at the Department of Asian and Middle Eastern Studies at Stockholm University and Associate Professor in Ethics at Lund University, in his article "The Unknown Architect of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights – P.C. Chang and His Contribution" portrays the Chinese philosopher and diplomat P.C. Chang (Zhang Pengchun 張彭春, 1892–1957), who in the drafting process influenced the overall character of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

The issue closes with an obituary for David E. Mungello (1943–2026) by Dr. Dirk Kuhlmann, Monumenta Serica Institute in St. Augustin. The American sinologist and renowned scholar of the history of cultural exchange between China and the West focused in his research on the history of Christianity in China and played a pivotal role in shaping this field over the course of decades.

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