

Editorial

Dear Readers,

We are happy to present to you the fourth issue for the year 2017 of *Religions & Christianity in Today's China* (中国宗教评论).

This number as usual includes the regular series of News Updates on recent events and general trends with regard to religions and especially Christianity in today's China.

In his article “Unworthy to Be Quoted among the Believers – Worthy to Be Quoted among the Martyrs’ Women in the Orthodox Church in China,” Dr. Piotr Adamek SVD, Director of Monumenta Serica Institute in Sankt Augustin, analyzes selected Russian sources – mainly histories of the Orthodox Church in China and the journal *Kitajskij blagovestnik* – with regard to the contribution of Orthodox Chinese women to the Orthodox Church during the over 300 years of its history. In this way the article hopes to provide a basis for future research and to raise an awareness of the important presence of women in the life of the Orthodox Church in China, both in history and today.

Furthermore, Katharina Feith, China-Zentrum, in a short article gives a report on the “Second Summer Academy for Priests, Sisters, Seminarians and Lay Persons from China. Christian Social Teaching in Theory and Practice” which was held from 14th–25th August 2017 at the Catholic Social Institute (KSI) of the Cologne Archdiocese in Siegburg/Germany.

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