

Editorial

Dear Readers,

At the end of this special year worldwide today we can present to you the fourth issue 2020 of *Religions & Christianity in Today's China* (中国宗教评论). You can find, first of all, as usual the News Update on recent events and general trends with regard to religions and especially Christianity in today's China.

In his article “Hong Kong Taken Over by the National Security Law,” Fr. Gianni Criveller PIME, who has spent 27 years in Hong Kong and is now dean of studies at PIME International Missionary School of Theology in Milan, describes the most worrying political and social developments in that city.

In the second article of this issue, “The Chinese Face of Jesus Christ,” Prof. Leopold Leeb, lecturer for Latin, Greek and Hebrew at Renmin University of China in Beijing, introduces a group of Chinese Christian artists during the 1930s and 1940s who were active at the Catholic Fu Ren University of Peking. He shows how they depicted the features of Jesus in a Chinese way. Their style is known as “Ars Sacra Pekinensis.” Prof. Leeb gives a whole range of examples for this very special and delicate art.

We would like to wish all our readers a Blessed Christmas and good start to the new year 2021 which hopefully brings all of us good health and happiness.

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