



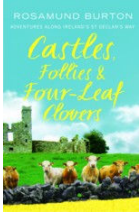
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Celtic Spirituality and the Irish Pilgrim Experience

Speaker: Rosamund Burton

FRIDAY 26TH OCTOBER 2012 at 7.45pm
Swedenborg Centre,
1 Avon Road, North Ryde

Cost: \$7; concession \$5 (including refreshments)



Discover the value of pilgrimage as journalist and author, Rosamund Burton, talks about walking Ireland's ancient highway and pilgrim route, St Declan's Way. Hear about the many aspects of Celtic spirituality she encounters, including the sacred wells and springs, evidence of the goddess tradition, the fairy forts, the early Christian churches and monasteries, and the convent where she stayed with a silent order of Cistercian nuns.

In early 1990s Rosamund cycled the Camino de Santiago, the famous pilgrim route in northern Spain. Nearly twenty years later she sets off from the famous Rock of Cashel in Co Tipperary and travels 100km along St Declan's Way. It takes her through Lismore, with its spectacular castle, where her family used to live, and on to the fishing village of Ardmore, where St Declan founded his monastery in 5th century. Here, in this stunningly scenic area of Ireland, walking alone over heather-covered mountains, across streams and through woodland valleys, is a totally different but equally rewarding pilgrim experience.

Irish-born, Rosamund Burton, is author of *Castles, Follies and Four-Leaf Clovers: Adventures Along Ireland St Declan's Way* (Allen & Unwin 2011).