

## **Editorial**

Our thanks go to Fr Theo Aerts for his work on last year's special double issue on Roman Catholic-Anglican relations, and to Bishop Paul Richardson for providing the editorial.

In this present issue, we include some preparatory material for the Study Institute on Curriculum Development, to be held by MATS at the beginning of July, 1992. Increasing opportunities for ecumenical cooperation, and the common issues we face, make it advisable for us to share insights, and correlate our curricula. The first three articles were in response to a circular letter, requesting information on work in progress on curriculum development. Then follows a SPATS statement, produced by a conference on a similar topic to that now to be examined by MATS. Then follows a short article, which was drawn to the editor's notice, which deals with the contextualisation of the curriculum, in a way, which may be useful for the Study Institute.

The second section of the Journal includes two articles on Melanesian theology. Firstly, Symeon Yovang writes with a deep sympathy for the culture of his own people, combined with Christian reflection. Then Br Silas SSF takes a sympathetic look at the attitude of a people, among whom he is living. His purpose is not to pass judgment upon the two denominations, which he mentions, but to show the logic behind the method of biblical interpretation used by a local person to solve a dilemma, in which he found himself. Both denominations are treated with respect in the article.

Finally, the writer of the article on "Biblical jokes" has asked that it be submitted under a pseudonym.