

October 17, 2008

Dear Ron,

Thank you so much for answering all of my questions, which I did not mean you had to do, but only to reflect on what I might ask when I read the entire book in print. To respond to your comments/questions:

1) The latest book on the Episcopal capitularies is Carine van Rhijn, *Shepherds of the Lord: Priests and Episcopal Statutes in the Carolingian Period*, Turnhout, 2007. We have it in the Divinity School Library, call no. BR735. R53 2007. She really only summarizes what Pokorny says better, but at greater length and in German, in vol. 3 of the magnificent edition of the episcopal capitularies in *MGH: Capitula Episcoporum*, vol. 1 (P. Brommer, 1984), vol. 2 (R. Pokorny and M. Stratmann, 1995), and vol. 3 (R. Pokorny, 1995).

2) I got Hen's book on interlibrary loan. Here it is. Could you return it to the library before 11/4/2008- you'll see on the cover an orange slip saying that is when it is due. Yes, I think Hen says it is Charlemagne, not Pippin, who initiates any "official" Romanization of the liturgy, but that liturgical "diversity and inconsistency of practice" continued to be the norm (p. 88).

3) The texts of the letters of Maxentius of Aquileia and Odilbert of Milan I edited in *Water and the Word*, vol. 2, p. 154-170 (Text 1, which equals Odilbert, but without the preface, which is edited by Wiegand, as I note on p. 154, but which is also printed in the *PL*, a copy of which I have enclosed), and p. 462-66 (Text 33, which is Maxentius' entire letter). I comment on these two texts in vol. 1 (see index). For example, Odilbert only wrote the preface of his letter, which I explain in greater length in an article, "The Claim of Authorship...", which I have also included (keep it).

As to examples of schoolbooks, in vol. 1 of *Water and the Word*, p. 160-163 (Table 1) you will see a list of mss, with their place of origin and intended user. Candidates for being schoolbooks or clerical "readers" are Mi2, Mo, Mu4, S1 (Switzerland), and Z1. All these mss are described in vol. 2 of *Water and the Word*, p. 34-35, 41-42, 45-47, 82-84, 121-122. I also include here copies of four further mss I describe in a forthcoming book on Carolingian Creed commentaries. Most of my ninth century (or earlier) mss from northern Italy are canon law collections. Whether they were used as schoolbooks, I do not know.

Thank you for answering my question about the relation between scriptoria and schools. I would love to present you with a copy of *Water and the Word*. You have been such a kind friend and support over the years, it is an inadequate gesture of my thanks.

Best,

Susan

Copy  
(I gave him my article  
copy of "The Claim of  
Authorship" and  
gift of *Water and the Word*  
2 vols.)

P.S. It was I who had Bullough, *Achievement*, checked out. I received a recall notice. I hope it was you that wanted it, and I've returned it to the system, so that it should be available for you shortly. I wish there was some way I could just cancel recall notices and just give you the book!