WELCOME

It is the tradition in Trinity College Dublin that newly appointed Professors are
invited to give an inaugural lecture. The lecture represents the official recognition of their promotion to Professor,
and the lecture itself provides an opportunity to showcase their achievements in research, innovation, engagement and
teaching activities before an audience of members of the University community, invited stakeholders and the
general public.

An inaugural lecture is a significant event in an academic staff member’s career. In Trinity College Dublin, inaugural lectures are a ceremonial occasion; academic robes are worn by the inaugural professor and the rest of the platform party.

The Faculty of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences is proud to present the inaugural lecture of Professor Seán Duffy:

KING ROBERT BRUCE
THE IRISHMAN

Professor Seán Duffy
Professor of Medieval Irish and Insular History
Clyde. They had a brother called Niall, named after Robert Bruce's mother, a Gael from the Firth of West Highlands, the Islands, and Galloway. It will be shown that the Irish connection stems from Edward I's efforts to establish control o