“Why Spain?”
Reflections on a lifetime of engagement with Spanish history and art
Sir John Elliott

A talk given in association with the Friends of St Mary’s at the annual Friends Forum.
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John’s work in recapitulating 16th and 17th century Spanish history is well documented, for which he has been awarded a great many accolades. His talk focussed on his own often personal reasons why and how this intertwining came about.

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John’s talk was richly enhanced with images of state masterpieces of dukes and kings, battles and surrenders, intertwined with family photographs depicting a young aspiring historian during the early 1950's.

Dave Broughton – January 2017