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Chrodegang of Metz (c. 712–766) was a leading figure of the late Merovingian and early Carolingian church. Born to one of the principal aristocratic families in Austrasia, he served as referendary of Charles Martel, and was appointed bishop of Metz in the 740s. As bishop, Chrodegang became one of the foremost churchmen in Francia, chairing councils, founding monasteries, and beginning a reform of the lives of the canons of the Metz cathedral. This book, the first major study in the English language on Chrodegang, examines his preoccupation with the creation of communities of faith and concord modeled on the early church. It explores his attempts to unite the Frankish episcopacy, his rule for the cathedral clergy in Metz – the *Regula canonicorum* – and his introduction of new liturgical practices that sought to transform his see into a *hagiopolis*, a holy city which provided a model for later Carolingian reform.

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ABBREVIATIONS

<i>AASS</i>	<i>Acta sanctorum quotquot toto orbe coluntur</i>
<i>ASHAL</i>	<i>Annuaire de la Société d'Histoire et d'Archéologie de la Lorraine</i>
CC	Corpus christianorum, series latina
CSEL	Corpus scriptorum ecclesiasticorum latinorum
<i>DACL</i>	<i>Dictionnaire d'archéologie chrétienne et de liturgie</i>
<i>DHGE</i>	<i>Dictionnaire d'histoire et de géographie ecclésiastiques</i>
<i>DIP</i>	<i>Dizionario degli istituti di perfezione</i>
<i>FmSt</i>	<i>Frühmittelalterliche Studien</i>
Gregory of Tours, <i>HLX</i>	Gregory of Tours, <i>Historia libri X</i> , ed. Bruno Krusch and Wilhelm Levison, <i>Gregorii episcopi Turonensis Historiarum libri X</i> , editio altera, <i>MGH SRM</i> 1.1 (Hanover, 1937–51)
<i>HJ</i>	<i>Historisches Jahrbuch</i>
<i>JGLGA</i>	<i>Jahrbuch der Gesellschaft für lothringische Geschichte und Altertumskunde</i>
Hauck, <i>KD</i>	Albert Hauck, <i>Kirchengeschichte Deutschlands</i> (Leipzig, 1914)
<i>Karl Martell</i>	Jörg Jarnut, Ulrich Nonn, and Michael Richter, eds., <i>Karl Martell in seiner Zeit</i> , Beihefte der Francia 37 (Sigmaringen, 1994)
Lowe, <i>CLA</i>	E. A. Lowe, <i>Codices latini antiquiores: A Palaeographical Guide to Latin Manuscripts Prior to the Ninth Century</i> (Oxford, 1937–71)
Mansi	Johannes Mansi, <i>Sacrorum conciliorum nova et amplissima collectio</i> (Graz)

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MGH	<i>Monumenta Germaniae Historica</i>
AA	Auctores antiquissimi
Cap.	Capitularia, Legum sectio II, ed. A. Boretius
Conc.	Concilia, Legum sectio III, ed. A. Werminghoff
Dip. kar.	Diplomata karolinorum I, ed. E. Mühlbacher
Epp.	Epistolae
SRG	Scriptores rerum germanicarum in usum scholarum
SRL	Scriptores rerum langobardicarum et italicarum
SRM	Scriptores rerum merovingicarum
SS	Scriptores
NCMH	<i>New Cambridge Medieval History 2: c. 700–c. 900</i> , ed. Rosamond McKitterick (Cambridge, 1995)
NPNF	Select Library of Nicene and Post-Nicene Fathers of the Christian Church
Paul the Deacon, <i>GEM</i>	Paul the Deacon, <i>Gesta episcoporum Mettensium</i> , ed. G. H. Pertz, MGH SS 2.260–70.
PG	<i>Patrologia cursus completus series graeca</i> , ed. J.-P. Migne
PL	<i>Patrologia cursus completus series latina</i> , ed. J.-P. Migne
Prinz, <i>FMiF</i>	Friedrich Prinz, <i>Frühes Mönchtum im Frankenreich: Kultur und Gesellschaft in Gallien, den Rheinlanden und Bayern am Beispiel der monastischen Entwicklung (4. bis 8. Jahrhundert)</i> , second edition (Munich, 1988)
RB	Rule of Benedict
RCan	<i>S. Chrodegangi Mettensis episcopi Regula canonicorum</i> , ed. Wilhelm Schmitz (Hanover, 1889)
Rev. Ben.	<i>Revue Bénédictine</i>
Saint Chrodegang	<i>Saint Chrodegang: Communications présentés au colloque tenu à Metz</i> (Metz, 1967)
SC	Sources chrétiennes
Settimane	Settimane di studio del Centro italiano di studi sull'alto medioevo (Spoleto)

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ZKG

Zeitschrift für Kirchengeschichte

ZRG

Zeitschrift der Savigny Stiftung für

Rechtsgeschichte

germ. Abt.

germanistische Abteilung

kan. Abt.

kanonistische Abteilung

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