



Book Reviews & Recommended Reading

My Daily Psalm Book – The Perfect Prayer Book

The Perfect Prayer Book for Everyone – The psalms are prayers in which God Himself teaches us how to pray; for they were written under the direct inspiration of the Holy Spirit. Herein we have the answer to the question: “What prayers shall I say?” Why the prayers of Holy Scripture itself! “There is no need to scrape together endless man-made prayers when Sacred Scripture frames the very thoughts of God.” The psalms are the vital presentation of God’s inspirations and man’s aspirations; they are the ideal manifestations of man’s hunger and thirst after God and of God’s loving response to man. Of great age, they are ever new and appropriate. They are as satisfying and stimulating to us of the twentieth century as they were to men before the birth of Christ and down through the Apostolic and Middle Ages.

Praying with the Church – The arrangement of the psalms according to the days of the week follows that of the official prayer book of the Church, the Breviary [this book follows the traditional arrangement]. The Clergy and Religious recite these very prayers daily. The psalms form the greater part of the Divine Office which Holy Mother Church offers, day and night throughout the world, to the end of time. This echo of the worship of the heavenly choirs is offered for the honor and glory of God and the salvation of the world. Only the Mass is of greater dignity and worth; only the Missal can surpass the Book of Psalms in dignity and scope. And the Missal draws heavily upon the Psalter.

— from the Foreword.

“The Gift Beyond Compare” - Thirty-Three Reflections on the Holy Eucharist As Sacrament and Sacrifice.

By Fr. Richard J. Rego

“May our adoration never cease,” says His Holiness, Pope John Paul II, in his apostolic letter *Dominicae Coenae* and Father Richard Rego spurs us on with this incomparable series of meditations on the mystery of the Holy Eucharist. In this age, if statistics tell us anything, faith in this great gift of Christ to His Church has undeniably weakened. Father Rego has done us all a great service by bringing this compilation into print: a true tour *de force* of eucharistic doctrine, and a real shot in the arm to the fainthearted. May this little book see the wide circulation it so richly deserves, and may its author be blessed for giving us this unadulterated treatment of Catholic doctrine.

— Fr. William F. Ashley