



Book Reviews & Recommended Reading

The Spiritual Life by Adolphe Tanquerey, S.S.,D.D.

Published in English in 1930, *The Spiritual Life* by Fr. Adolphe Tanquerey has established a reputation as undoubtedly the finest, most comprehensive and best-respected one-volume treatise on the spiritual life ever published. Clear, thorough, easy to read, orthodox, authoritative, beautifully organized, logically developed, lively and practical, the book covers the whole field of spirituality. A glance at the authors cited reveals a veritable Who's Who of Catholic spiritual writers — from the earliest centuries of Christianity to our own time — people whose writings Fr. Tanquerey has assimilated and organized into this comprehensive book. The author has also based his writings on Sacred Scripture, the Fathers and Doctors of the Church, especially St. Thomas Aquinas, as well as other great Saints and spiritual writers of all ages. In his own words, he covers “the teachings commonly received in the Church,” with little space given to disputed questions.

*Precis of Official Catholic Teaching
on Marian Devotions and the Last Things*

“I take this opportunity, then, in having the honour of presenting this last volume of PRECIS OF OFFICIAL CATHOLIC TEACHING, to offer a word of deep gratitude to Mr. George P. Morse and all of his associates at CCSP for this invaluable contribution. To you, the reader, it is my hope that, having read through and meditated on the extracts of these official teachings, you will be drawn to a deeper appreciation of the faith of the Church. Especially as we stand on the threshold of the Third Millennium, these documents offer to us another font for contemplating the mystery of our faith in “**Jesus Christ, the same yesterday, today and forever.**”

Jozef Cardinal Tomko

Prefect Congregation for the Evangelization of Peoples

Saint Philip Neri by Fr. V. J. Matthews

“‘Rome is to be you Indies’. With these words from a saintly monk, St. Philip Neri (1515-1595) was given his vocation—not to the far-off missions, but to the City of Rome. At the beginning of the 16th century, Rome was corrupt and lukewarm, and the people lived in a state of spiritual laxity. But by the end of the century, Rome was a different city, largely because of one man—St. Philip Neri.”

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