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**ability of even a progressive pope like Pope Francis to advance change in an institution accountable only to itself. Carroll traces this dilemma back to the Roman Empire and the Middle Ages, when Scripture, Jesus Christ,**

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**that made him leave the priesthood and embark on a long personal journey toward renewal—including his tenure as an op-ed columnist at The Boston Globe writing about sexual abuse in the Church. Ultimately, Carroll calls on**

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**Should Be Too)**

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Story of The Boston Globe's  
Reporting on Sex Abuse in the  
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radical liberalism has infiltrated the**

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inquisition launched by the Catholic Church against its gay members, Gay Catholic Priests and Clerical Sexual Misconduct continues the efforts of the Gay Men ' s Issues in Religion Group of the American Academy of Religion

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to honor the work of Mark Jordan, who contributes his thoughts on the issues raised by the book. A panel of former Jesuits, a former seminarian with the Congregation of the Blessed Sacrament, a Dominican, a Franciscan, and

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several feminist authors present different perspectives on gay priests, clerical/ecclesial misogyny, games of power and abuse, and religious scapegoating, writing with eloquence and pain, a great deal of pride, and a touch of

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fought for justice In the mid-1980s a dynamic young monsignor assigned to the Vatican's embassy in Washington set out to investigate the problem of sexually abusive priests. He found a scandal in the making, confirmed

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by secret files revealing complaints that had been hidden from police and covered up by the Church hierarchy. He also understood that the United States judicial system was eager to punish offenders and those who aided them. He

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presented all of this to the American bishops, warning that the Church could be devastated by negative publicity and bankrupted by its legal liability. They ignored him. Meanwhile, a young lawyer listened to a new client describe an

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abusive sexual history with a priest that began when he was ten years old. His parents' complaints were downplayed by Church officials who offered them money to go away. The lawyer saw a claim that any defendant would want to

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settle. Then he began to suspect he was onto something bigger, involving thousands of priests who had abused countless children while the Church had done almost nothing about it. The lawsuit he filed would touch off a legal war of

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historic and global proportions. Part history, part journalism, and part true-crime thriller, Michael D'Antonio's *Mortal Sins* brings to mind landmark books such as *All the President's Men*, *And the Band Played On*, and *The Informant*, as it



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reveals a long and ferocious battle for the soul of the largest and oldest organization in the world. Winner of a 2018 Catholic Press Association Award: Popular Presentation of the Catholic Faith. (First Place). With atheism on the

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rise and millions tossing off religion, why would anyone consider the Catholic Church? Brandon Vogt, a bestselling author and the content director for Bishop Robert Barron ' s Word on Fire Catholic Ministries, shares his

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passionate search for truth, a journey that culminated in the realization that Catholicism was right about a lot of things, maybe even everything. His persuasive case for the faith reveals a vision of Catholicism that has answers our

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world desperately needs and reminds those already in the Church what they love about it. A 2016 study by the Public Religion Research Institute found that 25 percent of adults (39 percent of young adults) describe themselves

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as unaffiliated with any religion. Millions of these so-called “nones” have fled organized religion and many more have rejected God altogether. Brandon Vogt was one of those nones. When he converted to Catholicism

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in college, he knew how confusing that decision was to many of his friends and family. But he also knew that the evidence he discovered pointed to one conclusion: Catholicism is true. To his delight, he discovered it was

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also exceedingly good and beautiful. Why I Am Catholic traces Vogt ' s spiritual journey, making a refreshing, twenty-first century case for the faith and answering questions being asked by agnostics, nones, and atheists, the

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audience for his popular website, StrangeNotions.com, where Catholics and atheists dialogue. With references to Catholic thinkers such as G. K. Chesterton, Ven. Fulton Sheen, St. Teresa of Calcutta, and Bishop Robert



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Barron, Vogt draws together lines of evidence to help seekers discover why they should be Catholic as an alternative. Why I Am Catholic serves as a compelling reproposal of the Church for former Catholics, a persuasive

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argument for truth and beauty to those who have become jaded and disenchanted with religion, and at the same time offers practicing Catholics a much-needed dose of confidence and clarity to affirm their faith against an increasingly

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skeptical culture.

Since the mid-1980s, the Catholic Church has been embroiled in a profound crisis of clerical sexual abuse. In many Western countries, paedophile priests have been exposed and convicted, and the

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Church's moral and social standing has suffered deeply. Scandals in Ireland and America have been extensively documented and much debated. The English Catholic Church has also been shaken to its roots by allegations

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of abuse, but until now the situation in England has not been fully examined. This book, by one of the UK's leading lawyers in the field, is a shocking exposé of Catholic sex abuse cases in England over the past forty years.

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Exploring the many facets of the crisis, it analyses the ways in which the English Church has responded - and the ways in which it has failed. The author considers the causes of abuse, allegations of cover-ups, campaigns led by

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victims, battles within the Church, the legal dimensions and the debate around the laicisation ('defrocking') of individual priests. He attempts to answer the following questions: How serious has the problem been in the

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English Catholic Church? How effectively has the Church responded? Can it hope to recover from this scandal - and, crucially, can it deal credibly and effectively with future allegations of abuse? Rhetoric of Authority



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The Secret Life Of The Catholic Church In An Age Of Scandal

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## Clergy Child Sexual Abuse Scandals

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and editorial cartoons from the Globe archives, Sins of the Press exposes: \* How the Globe has routinely celebrated child molesters in its pages over the years; \* How the Globe frequently promoted an author who

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supported incest between fathers and daughters; \* Extensive and undeniable proof that the Globe's reporting was the culmination of a relentless, decades-long attack against the Catholic Church; \* How

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the Globe has deliberately dismissed and mitigated vile abuse and cover-ups in other institutions; \* How the Globe flagrantly misled its readers about the Church's response to abuse complaints; \* How the Globe

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was flat-out erroneous in its reporting; \* How the Globe facilitated the foundation of the notorious pedophile group NAMBLA; and much more. Sins of the Press will obliterate everything you thought about the Boston



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Galileo and Caravaggio

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Dark History of the Catholic Church

The Nuns of Sant'Ambrogio  
Pedophiles and Priests

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cardinal who has been  
the target of two bogus  
abuse charges; ... how  
accusers have retained  
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**settlements even though their allegations later proved to be false; ... the father of an accuser who appeared at the funeral of an accused priest and apologized**



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**for the false allegation  
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**unsatisfactory handling of them have left significant psychological scars which the Church and even many clergy themselves have yet to**

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**interviews with fellow priests that his beleaguered brotherhood should be classed among the secondary victims of this ongoing crisis for the Church. Originally**

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**Christianity  
Schisms, wars,  
inquisitions, witch  
hunts, scandals,  
corruption**

**Goodbye, Good Men**

In the fourth century,

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clerics began to distinguish themselves from members of the laity by virtue of their augmented claims to holiness. Because clerical celibacy was

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key to this distinction, religious authorities of all stripes—patristic authors, popes, theologians, canonists, monastic founders, and commentators—became

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progressively sensitive to sexual scandals that involved the clergy and developed sophisticated tactics for concealing or dispelling embarrassing lapses.



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According to Dyan Elliott, the fear of scandal dictated certain lines of action and inaction, the consequences of which are painfully apparent

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today. In *The Corrupter of Boys*, she demonstrates how, in conjunction with the requirement of clerical celibacy, scandal-averse policies at every

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conceivable level of the ecclesiastical hierarchy have enabled the widespread sexual abuse of boys and male adolescents within the Church. Elliott examines

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more than a millennium's worth of doctrine and practice to uncover the origins of a culture of secrecy and concealment of sin. She charts the continuities and

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changes, from late antiquity into the high Middle Ages, in the use of boys as sexual objects before focusing on four specific milieus in which boys and

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adolescents would have been especially at risk in the high and later Middle Ages: the monastery, the choir, the schools, and the episcopal court. The

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Corrupter of Boys is a work of stunning breadth and discomfoting resonance, as Elliott concludes that the same clerical prerogatives and privileges that were

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formulated in late antiquity and the medieval era—and the same strategies to cover up the abuses they enable—remain very much in place.



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the first recorded child sex scandal in the church's history--one that reached such proportions that the Pope took the (literally)

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unprecedented step of shutting a religious order down. Until this point, no religious order had ever been shut down by papal decree (with the possible

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exception of the legendary Knights Templar). Fallen Order draws on documents that have never been seen before, and this story is completely new. The

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present Catholic Church has based its defense in recent sex scandals on the fact that it has only recently become aware of child abuse. This book exposes this

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For the first time ever, we are able to glimpse behind the cloak of clergy privilege, to finally hear from the

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Betrayed

The Silence We Keep

The Scandal of the Scandals

*The basic draft of the trilogy, Love Beneath the Mighty Dome, was begun in 1990 and*

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*completed around 1995, years before the brutal sex scandals involving pedophilia among clergy (and its accompanying cover-up by the ruling clergy) broke in the archdioceses of Boston and New York. There is*

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*no attempt here to take advantage of such tragic and horrific events. But, aside from these matters, the work of fiction presented in these three volumes is merely an attempt to depict the clergy in*

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*a fair and just manner-the heroes and the villains. Any seeming imbalance is due to the reality of the subject and not any injustice on the part of the author. The underlying question here is, does the*



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*Roman Catholic Diocesan Clergy truly fulfill the plan Jesus of Nazareth had in mind when he chose his most trusted followers-the wealth, the glamour, the pomposity of it all? After all, wasn't it highly*

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*placed churchmen who, in effect, put a contract out on this Jesus of Nazareth, a contract haltingly accepted by a particularly savage militaristic occupying power? And would it be so*

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*cataclysmically devastating to allow the clergy to marry-to live in a manner consistent with the rest of humanity? Why not allow women to enter programs of priestly formation? Why this on-going*

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*women still thought of as a defilement of the sanctuary? As long as the high priests refuse to reform the inner sanctum of the Catholic Church (the priesthood, those indispensable dispensers of*

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*the sacraments) there will forever and always be these needless and destructive scandals-scandals that are gravely damaging to the moral authority of the entirety of the Catholic Church. For the*

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*clergy are not the Church. They are a tiny part of it-its servants, no less. When a child's life is destroyed where is the love? What happened This work unpacks the history and root causes of the clergy*

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*sex abuse scandals in the United States. Building on decades of data and research, author Bill Donohue, who holds a doctorate in sociology, tells the story from a fresh angle and calls us to rethink*



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*our assumptions about the Church's handling of these horrific abuses. The Truth about Clergy Sexual Abuse challenges many myths about the scandals, demonstrating that the abuse of minors is a*

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