2020 Catholic Book Award Winners

**Popular Presentation of the Catholic Faith**

**First Place**

**Second Place**
*A Living Gospel: Reading God's Story in Holy Lives*, Robert Ellsberg, Orbis Books

**Third Place**
*The Strangeness of Truth: Vibrant Faith in a Dark World*, Damian Ference, Pauline Books & Media

**Honorable Mention**
*I'm Catholic. Now What?*, Shaun McAfee, OSV

**Spirituality: Soft Cover**

**First Place**
*Ruth Burrows: Essential Writings*, Ruth Burrows; Michelle Jones, editor, Orbis Books

**Second Place**
*A Living Gospel: Reading God's Story in Holy Lives*, Robert Ellsberg, Orbis Books

**Third Place**
*Mystics: Twelve Who Reveal God's Love*, Murray Bodo, OFM, Franciscan Media

**Honorable Mention**
*Unteachable Lessons*, Carl McColman, Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing Co.

**Spirituality: Hard Cover**

**First Place**
*Three Rules for Living a Good Life*, Lou Holtz, Ave Maria Press

**Second Place**
*Jesus Speaking: Heart to Heart with the King*, From the writings of Gabrielle Bossis; edited by Maria Grace Dateno, FSP, Pauline Books & Media

**Third Place**
*The Heart of Perfection*, Colleen Carroll Campbell, Howard Books / Atria (Simon & Schuster)
Theology - Theological and Philosophical Studies

First Place
The Vision of Vatican II, Ormond Rush, Liturgical Press

Second Place
Paul’s Theology in Context, James P. Ware, Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing Co.

Third Place
The Apocalypse of Wisdom: Louis Bouyer’s Theological Recovery of the Cosmos, Keith Lemna
Angelico Press, Ltd.

Honorable Mention

Theology - History of Theology, Church Fathers and Mothers

First Place
Theologies of Guadalupe: From the Era of Conquest to Pope Francis, Timothy Matovina, Oxford University Press

Second Place
The Doctor of Mercy, Michael Papazian, Liturgical Press

Third Place
The Book of Revelation, David D. Burr, Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing Co.

Theology - Morality, Ethics, Christology, Mariology, and Redemption

First Place
Aquinas’s Eschatological Ethics and the Virtue of Temperance, Matthew Levering, University of Notre Dame Press

Second Place
Virgin, Mother, Queen, Robert Fastiggi and Michael O'Neill, Ave Maria Press

Third Place
Honorable Mentions
Consumer Ethics in a Global Economy: How Buying Here Causes Injustice There, Daniel K. Finn, Georgetown University Press

Catholicity and Emerging Personhood: A Contemporary Theological Anthropology, Daniel P. Horan, OFM, Orbis Books

Scripture - Popular Studies
First Place
Unsettling the Word: Biblical Experiments in Decolonization, Steve Heinrichs, Orbis Books

Second Place
Suddenly There is God: The Story of Our Lives in Sacred Scripture, Veronica Mary Rolf, Cascade Books, an Imprint of Wipf and Stock Publishers

Third Place
Becoming Women of the Word, Sarah Christmyer, Ave Maria Press

Honorable Mentions
A God Who Questions, Leonard J. DeLorenzo, OSV

The Kingdom of God, the Essential Message of Jesus, Frank J. Matera, Liturgical Press

Liturgy - Soft Cover
First Place
Compassionate Christ, Compassionate People, Bob Hurd, Liturgical Press

Second Place
Awesome Glory, Jeremy Driscoll, Liturgical Press

Third Place

Honorable Mention
Living the Liturgy of the Word, Glenn Byer, Novalis Publishing

Pastoral Ministry – Parish Life
First Place
In the Mystery’s Shadow, Susan Swetnam, Liturgical Press

Second Place
Made for Mission, Tim Glemkowski, OSV

2020 Catholic Book Awards
Pastoral Ministry – Catechetical

**First Place**
*Reading, Praying, Living Pope Francis’s Rejoice and Be Glad*, Daniel P. Horan, Liturgical Press

**Second Place**
*The Adaptive Teacher: Faith-Based Strategies to Reach and Teach Learners with Disabilities*, John E. Barone and Charleen Katra, Loyola Press

**Third Place**
*Christ Our Life: God Loves Us*, Sisters of Notre Dame, Chardon, Ohio, Loyola Press

**Honorable Mentions**
*God Made Everything*, Sisters of Notre Dame, Chardon, Ohio, Loyola Press

*Divine Blessing*, Timothy P. O’Malley, Liturgical Press

Church Professional

**First Place**
*From Hero to Servant to Mystic*, Scott P. Detisch, Liturgical Press

**Second Place**

**Third Place**

**Honorable Mention**
*Models of Priestly Formation*, Edited by Declan Marmion, Michael Mullaney, and Salvador Ryan, Liturgical Press

Children’s Books

**First Place**
*Pope Francis Says...,* Pope Francis, Loyola Press

**Second Place**
*Everyone Belongs*, USCCB, Loyola Press

**Third Place**
*Light of Heaven A Children's Book of Saints*, Adalee Hude, OSV
Honorable Mentions
Child's Bible, Rosa Mediani, Paulist Press

I am Little, Too, Joe Klinker, OSV

Books for Teens
First Place
Extreme Blindside: A Jake and Sophie Adventure, Leslea Wahl, Pauline Books & Media

Second Place
Throw, Ruben Degollado, Slant / Wipf and Stock Publishers

Third Place
Lent, Katie Prejean McGrady and Tommy McGrady, Ave Maria Press

Books for Young Adults
First Place
For Eden's Sake, T. M. Gaouette, Independently Published

First Time Author of a Book
First Place
Love Prevails: One Couple's Story of Faith and Survival in the Rwandan Genocide, Jean Bosco Rutagengwa, Orbis Books

Second Place
Barstool Theology, Trevor Gundlach, OSV

Third Place
Live Big, Love Bigger, Kathryn Whitaker, Ave Maria Press

Honorable Mentions
Graffiti Messages from God: Life Lessons on the Camino de Santiago, Anne Uglum, Kindle Direct Publishing

Servant of God, Gwen Coniker: God Leads, Faith and Trust Follow, Nancy Martin, En Route Books & Media, LLC

Family Life
First Place
Enough as You Are: Overcoming Self-Doubt and Appreciating the Gift of You, Peggy Weber, Loyola Press

Second Place
Helping Teens with Stress, Anxiety, and Depression, Roy Petitfils, Ave Maria Press

2020 Catholic Book Awards
Third Place
*One Home at a Time*, John B. Kostoff and Patricia Dal Ben, Novalis Publishing

Marriage and Family Living

First Place
*The Alzheimer's Spouse*, Mary K. Doyle, In Extenso

Second Place
*Created for Love: Reflections for the Catholic Bride-To-Be*, Chloe Langr, OSV

Third Place
*Servant of God, Gwen Coniker: God Leads, Faith and Trust Follow*, Nancy Martin, En Route Books & Media, LLC

History

First Place
*Apostles of Empire: The Jesuits and New France*, Bronwen McShea, University of Nebraska Press

Second Place
*A Saint of Our Own: How the Quest for a Holy Hero Helped Catholics Become American*, Kathleen Sprows Cummings, University of North Carolina Press

Third Place
*The Miracle of Amsterdam: Biography of a Contested Devotion*, Charles Caspers and Peter Jan Margry, University of Notre Dame Press

Honorable Mention
*Christianity in India: The Anti-Colonial Turn*, Clara A.B. Joseph, Routledge

*Soldiers of the Cross, the Authoritative Text: The Heroism of Catholic Chaplains and Sisters in the American Civil War*, David Power Conyngham, University of Notre Dame Press

Biography

First Place
*To Speak the Truth in Love: A Biography of Theresa Kane, RSM*, Christine Schenk, CSJ, Orbis Books

Second Place
*Teilhard's Struggle: Embracing the Work of Evolution*, Kathleen Duffy, SSF, Orbis Books

2020 Catholic Book Awards
Third Place
*Man on Fire: The Life and Spirit of Norbert of Xanten*, Thomas Kunkel, St. Norbert College Press in association with the Center for Norbertine Studies

**Honorable Mentions**
*Thomas Berry*, Mary Evelyn Tucker, John Grim, and Andrew Angyal, Columbia University Press

*A Living Gospel: Reading God’s Story in Holy Lives*, Robert Ellsberg, Orbis Books

**Gender Issues – Inclusion in the Church**

**First Place**
*A Saint of Our Own: How the Quest for a Holy Hero Helped Catholics Become American*, Kathleen Sprows Cummings, UNC Press

**Second Place**
*Girl, Arise!,* Claire Swinarski, Ave Maria Press

**Third Place**
*To Speak the Truth in Love: A Biography of Theresa Kane, RSM*, Christine Schenk, CSJ, Orbis Books

**Honorable Mention**
*2 Corinthians*, Antoinette Clark Wire, Liturgical Press

**Diocesan Directory**

**First Place**

**Second Place**

**Third Place**
*The Archdiocese of Baltimore Catholic Directory*, The Catholic Review

**Honorable Mention**
*Diocese of Providence Directory 2019-2020*, Editor Marie Zagorsky & Production Manager Laura Kilgus, Rhode Island Catholic

*Archdiocese of Los Angeles Catholic Directory*, Angelus Staff, Angelus
**Best Complete Catalog**

**First Place**
*Monastic Catalog 2019*, Monica Bokinskie, Liturgical Press

**Second Place**
*Little Rock Scripture Study Catalog 2019*, Monica Bokinskie, Liturgical Press

**Best Trade/Seasonal Catalog**

**First Place**
Orbis Books Spring 2019 Catalog, Orbis Books

**Second Place**
*Academic Catalog Fall 2019*, Monica Bokinskie, Liturgical Press

**Third Place**
*Parish Catalog Fall 2019*, Monica Bokinskie, Liturgical Press

**Best Book by a Small Publisher**

**First Place**
*Man on Fire: The Life and Spirit of Norbert of Xanten*, Thomas Kunkel, St. Norbert College in association with the Center for Norbertine Studies

**Second Place**

**Catholic Social Teaching**

**First Place**
*Catholic Social Teaching as Theology*, Grégoire Catta, SJ, Paulist Press

**Second Place**
*Street Homelessness and Catholic Theological Ethics*, James F. Keenan, SJ, and Mark McGreevy, Orbis Books

**Third Place**
*To Serve the People: My Life Organizing with Cesar Chavez and the Poor*, LeRoy Chatfield, with Jorge Mariscal, University of New Mexico Press

**Honorable Mention**
*The Ten Green Commandments of Laudato Si*, Joshtrom Kureethadam, Liturgical Press

*An Ecological Theology of Liberation: Salvation and Political Ecology*, Daniel P. Castillo, Orbis Books

---

2020 Catholic Book Awards
Faith and Science

First Place
*Deep Incarnation: God's Redemptive Suffering With Creatures*, Denis Edwards, Orbis Books

Second Place

Third Place
*Faith and Evolution: A Grace-Filled Naturalism*, Roger Haight, SJ, Orbis Books

Honorable Mentions
*Full of Your Glory*, Edited by Teresa Berger, Liturgical Press

Faith and Science at Notre Dame: John Zahm, Evolution, and the Catholic Church, John P. Slattery, University of Notre Dame Press

Faithful Citizenship/ Religious Freedom

First Place
*Theology after Colonization: Bediako, Barth, and the Future of Theological Reflection*, Tim Hartman, University of Notre Dame Press

Second Place
*Inclusive Populism: Creating Citizens in the Global Age*, Angus Ritchie, University of Notre Dame Press

Third Place
*The Two Hands of Yes and No: One Family's Encounter with the Surprising Power of Active Nonviolence*, John Linn, Sheila Fabricant Linn, and Dennis Linn, Orbis Books

Coffee Table Book/ Religious Art

First Place
*Encountering Mother Teresa*, Linda Schaefer, OSV

Second Place
*Francis of Assisi: An Illustrated History of His Life and Legacy*, Engelbert Grau, Raoul Manselli, and Serena Romano, Paulist Press

Catholic Novels

First Place
*The Pirate King*, J. P. Sheen, 3 Hearts Publishing, LLC
Second Place
Angelic Wars, First Rebellion, Rick E. Norris, Luminare Press

Third Place
*The Rebirth of Nicodemus*, Rick Akins, En Route Books & Media, LLC

Honorable Mentions
*All in Good Time*, Carolyn Astfalk, Multa Verba

*Tortured Soul*, Theresa Linden, Silver Fire Publishing

Books About Prayer
First Place
*The Our Father*, Gerhard Lohfink, Liturgical Press

Second Place
*Rejoice and Be Glad: (Y)Ours is The Kingdom of God*, David Haas, Clear Faith Publishing, LLC

Collections of Prayers
First Place
*Memento Mori: Prayers on the Last Things*, Written and Compiled by Theresa Aletheia Noble, FSP, Pauline Books & Media

Second Place
*Psalms and Other Songs from a Pierced Heart*, Patricia Stevenson, RSJ, Liturgical Press

Third Place
*The Way of Simple Love: Inspiring Words St. Therese of Lisieux*, Fr. Gary Caster, Franciscan Media

Honorable Mention

Ecumenism or Interfaith Relations
First Place
*Eating Together, Becoming One*, Thomas O'Loughlin, Liturgical Press

Second Place
**Third Place**  

**Honorable Mentions**  
*Praying by Hand, Praying with Beads: A Universal Form of Prayer*, Thomas Ryan, CSP, Paulist Press

*The Tao of Asian American Belonging: A Yinist Spirituality*, Young Lee Hertig, Orbis Books

**Pilgrimages/ Catholic Travel**  
**First Place**  
*Graffiti Messages from God: Life Lessons on the Camino de Santiago*, Anne Uglum, Kindle Direct Publishing

**Second Place**  
*My Queen, My Mother*, Marge Steinhage Fenelon, Ave Maria Press

**Sacraments**  
**First Place**  
*Naming Our Sins: How Recognizing the Seven Deadly Vices Can Renew the Sacrament of Reconciliation*, Jana M. Bennett and David Cloutier, Editors, The Catholic University of America Press

**Second Place**  
*Impressively Free: Henri Nouwen as a Model for a Reformed Priesthood*, Michael W. Higgins and Kevin Burns, Paulist Press

**Pope Francis**  
**First Place**  
*Easter Vigil Homilies*, Jorge Mario Bergoglio/Pope Francis, Liturgical Press

**Second Place**  
*Go Forth: Toward a Community of Missionary Disciples*, Pope Francis; Commentary by William P. Gregory, Orbis Books

**Third Place**  
*Discovering Pope Francis*, Edited by Brian Y. Lee and Thomas L. Knoebel, Liturgical Press

**Honorable Mention**  
*A Discerning Church: Pope Francis, Lonergan, and a Theological Method for the Future*, Gerard Whelan, SJ, Paulist Press

2020 Catholic Book Awards
Poetry

First Place

Second Place
*The Cylburn Touch-Me-Nots*, Ned Balbo, Criterion Books

Third Place
*Long after Lauds: Poems*, Jeanine Hathaway, Slant / Wipf and Stock Publishers

Honorable Mentions
*Twenty Poems to Pray*, Gary M. Bouchard, Liturgical Press

Towards A New Piety, Paul Bussan, PSB Publishing

Backlist Beauty

First Place
*The Grace of Enough*, Haley Stewart, Ave Maria Press

Second Place
*Breathing Under Water: Spirituality and the Twelve Steps*, Richard Rohr, Franciscan Media

Third Place
*Edith Stein: The Life and Legacy of St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross*, María Ruiz Scaperlanda, Sophia Institute Press

Honorable Mentions
*My Badass Book of Saints*, Maria Morera Johnson, Ave Maria Press

*Awakening Love: An Ignatian Retreat with the Song of Songs*, Gregory Cleveland, OMV, Pauline Books & Media

Best Front Cover Artwork

First Place
*Jesus Speaking: Heart to Heart with the King*, From the writings of Gabrielle Bossis; edited by Maria Grace Dateno, FSP, Pauline Books & Media

Second Place
*Man on Fire: The Life and Spirit of Norbert of Xanten*, Thomas Kunkel, St. Norbert College Press in association with the Center for Norbertine Studies

2020 Catholic Book Awards
Third Place
The Wise Guy and the Fool, Matt D’Antuono, En Route Books and Media

Honorable Mention
Alcoholism’s Children: ACoAs in Priesthood and Religious Life, Sean D. Sammon, FMS, Amazon Digital Services LLC

Memoir
First Place
Overdue, Valerie Schultz, Liturgical Press

Second Place
From the Underground Church to Freedom, Tomáš Halík, University of Notre Dame Press

Third Place
61 Minutes to a Miracle, Bonnie L. Engstrom, OSV

Honorable Mentions
Love Prevails: One Couple’s Story of Faith and Survival in the Rwandan Genocide, Jean Bosco Rutagengwa, Orbis Books

Accidental Friends, Beth Porter, Novalis Publishing

Healing & Self Help
First Place
MicroShifts: Transforming Your Life One Step at a Time, Gary Jansen, Loyola Press

Second Place
Enough as You Are: Overcoming Self-Doubt and Appreciating the Gift of You, Peggy Weber, Loyola Press

Third Place
Know Thyself: The Imperfectionist’s Guide to Sorting Your Stuff, Lisa Lawmaster Hess, Our Sunday Visitor

Honorable Mention
In the Mystery’s Shadow, Susan Swetnam, Liturgical Press

Best New Religious Book Series
First Place
The Early Church (33–313), James L. Papandrea, Ave Maria Press

Second Place
Thea Bowman, Maurice J. Nutt, Liturgical Press

2020 Catholic Book Awards
Third Place
*Mark*, Warren Carter, Liturgical Press

Honorable Mention
*Catholicity and Emerging Personhood: A Contemporary Theological Anthropology* (Catholicity in an Evolving Universe series), Daniel P. Horan, OFM, Orbis Books

Faith Formation – Children
First Place
*God Made Everything*, Sisters of Notre Dame, Chardon Ohio, Loyola Press

Second Place
*Christ Our Life: God Loves Us*, Sisters of Notre Dame, Chardon, Ohio, Loyola Press

Anthology
First Place
*Avery Dulles: Essential Writings from America Magazine*, Cardinal Avery Dulles, S.J., Ave Maria Press

Second Place

Third Place
*Christmas Around the Fire*, Ryan N. S. Topping, TAN Books

English Translation Edition
First Place
*To the Margins: Pope Francis and the Mission of the Church*, Andrea Riccardi, Orbis Books

Second Place
*Is This All There Is?*, Gerhard Lohfink, Liturgical Press

Future Church
First Place

Second Place
*When the Disciple Comes of Age: Christian Identity in the 21st Century*, Diarmuid O'Murchu, MSC, Orbis Books
Third Place
Start with Jesus: How Everyday Disciples Will Renew the Church, Julianne Stanz, Loyola Press

Honorable Mention
A Pilgrim People, Gerald W. Schlabach, Liturgical Press

Self-Published Books
First Place
Then Something Wondrous Happened, John Shaughnessy, Paxson Street Press

Second Place
Alcoholism’s Children: ACoAs in Priesthood and Religious Life, Sean D. Sammon, FMS, Amazon Digital Services, LLC

Third Place
Priestling, Richard Mangan, Kindle Direct Publishing

Honorable Mentions
The Light of Our Yesterdays, Ken Hansen, Odium Odi Press LLC
The Holy Face of Jesus; Meditations and Prayers, G.A. Hitchcock, G.A. Hitchcock