

THESE ARE THE WORKS THAT I HAVE READ FROM 2005 – PRESENT

Apparently God thought that I needed some “continuing education!” <g>

1. **The Story of the von Trapp Family Singers** – Maria Augusta von Trapp – (what I remember the most is her total fixation on the “will of God” – she really only wanted to do his will)
2. **Maria** – Maria Augusta von Trapp
3. **A Benedictine Legacy of Peace: The Life of Abbot Leo A. Rudloff** – (the story of the founder of Weston Priory in Vermont – a remarkable story of dedication to God’s will and the working of the Holy Spirit – in the face of all kinds of struggles, pain and suffering)
4. **No Man is an Island** – Thomas Merton – (the classic work which relates how we are loved by God and how we find his love especially by giving love away to others)
5. **My Other Self** – Clarence Enzler – (a spiritual classic – by the father of a classmate in the seminary with me – it relates how close is the bond between Jesus and us!)
6. **Catechism of the Catholic Church** – (the latest fully comprehensive compendium of Catholic Teaching)
7. **Priests of the Third Millennium** – (an amazing book relating the real nature of the Catholic priesthood) Congregation for the Clergy 1999
8. **Pastores Dabo Vobis** – Pope John Paul II – (an amazing exposition on the Priesthood by our late Holy Father)
9. **Pontiff in Winter** – John Cornwell – (a somewhat objective perspective of the pontificate of John Paul II.)
10. **The Prodigal Son** – Henri Nouwen – (an amazing book about the reality of God the Father’s LOVE!)
11. **God and the World** – Joseph Cardinal Ratzinger – (an amazing 500 page – off the cuff – 3 day interview with Jos. Ratzinger – concerning God’s relationship with the world – and us – there is no doubt that he was the right choice to succeed John Paul II.)
12. **The Documents of Vatican II** – (the Council heard round the world! – it changed everything – yet everything remains the same)
13. **Deus Caritas Est** – Pope Benedict XVI 2006 – (His first encyclical – a wonderful document on the nature of God as love).
14. **The Lord is My Shepherd** – Harold S Kushner – (an interesting exposition of the 23rd Psalm by a Jewish Rabbi)
15. **The Wisdom of the Benedictine Elders** – Mark W. McGinnis – (a wonderful compilation of stories about really strong and faith-filled Benedictine priests and nuns.
16. **Diary of St. Maria Faustina Kowalska** – (the story of the first saint canonized in the third millennium – bringing Christ’s own message of mercy to the world)
17. **Understanding Divine Mercy Sunday** – Pope John Paul II Institute of Divine Mercy 2003
18. **Christ the Lord** – Anne Rice – (a very entertaining book about what the childhood of Jesus might have been like)
19. **The Rule of St. Benedict** – trans. Patrick Barry, OSB – (at last – a readable and understandable rendition of the most popular religious rule of all time).

20. ***Dives et Misericordia*** – Pope John Paul II 1980 – (a profound exposition on the nature of God’s Mercy!)
21. ***Ecclesia de Eucharistia*** – Pope John Paul II 2003 – (an excellent exposition on the nature of Church as it relates to the Eucharist.)
22. ***Introduction to Christianity*** – Joseph Cardinal Ratzinger – (a very theologically complex explanation of the Creed)
23. ***The Spirit of the Liturgy*** – Joseph Cardinal Ratzinger – (a powerful little book expounding the reality of the essence of our sacred liturgy)
24. ***God is Near Us*** – Joseph Cardinal Ratzinger – (a wonderful little book about the Eucharist)
25. ***Come, Creator Spirit*** – Raniero Cantalamessa OFM Cap – (the “summa” of pneumatological study – the quintessential study on the Holy Spirit)
26. ***The Confessions of St. Augustine*** – (the classic story of the triumph of God’s calling us to greatness)
27. ***Sacramentum Caritatis*** – Pope Benedict XVI 2007 – (Benedict’s report on the Synod of Bishops Meeting concerning the nature of Eucharist as the Sacrament of Love: already a classic summary of Eucharistic theology! very readable, very understandable!)
28. ***Sober Intoxication of the Spirit*** – Raniero Cantalamessa OFM Cap – a wonderfully stable look at the presence and working of the Holy Spirit in the Church today.
29. ***Theology of the Body for Beginners*** – Christopher West – a thumbnail outline of John Paul II’s great work entitled: “The Theology of the Body”
30. ***The Life of Christ*** – Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen – an amazing presentation of the greatest human life in the history of the world!
31. ***Jesus*** – Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger / Pope Benedict XVI – a thorough and brilliant presentation of the life of Christ – in search of the face of Christ!
32. ***The Fulfillment of All Desire*** – Ralph Martin – a simply written, easy to understand presentation of seven great Doctors of the Church – to help inspire growth in holiness with the goal of full union with God, for any who want it!
33. ***The Dialogue*** – St. Catherine of Siena
34. ***Teresa of Avila An Extraordinary Life*** - Shirley du Boulay
35. ***Theology of the Body Explained*** – Christopher West
36. ***The Yes of Jesus Christ*** – Pope Benedict XVI
37. ***Benedict’s Way*** - Pratt and Homan
38. ***The Lessons of St. Francis*** - Talbot
39. ***The Joy of Full Surrender*** – de Caussade
40. ***The New Rosary in Scripture*** – Sri
41. ***Celebrating the Holy Eucharist*** – Arinze
42. ***Summa of the Summa*** – Kreeft, SJ.
43. ***Doing Theology*** - Wicks
44. ***Christ the Life of the Soul*** – Marmion
45. ***The Jesuit Guide to Almost Everything*** – Martin
46. ***The Mass*** – Donald Cardinal Wuehrl
47. ***Living with the Saints*** – Martin
48. ***The Confessions of St. Augustine*** - reread

49. RE-READ – **No Man is an Island** – Merton
50. **Christ and His Mysteries** – Abbot Marmion
51. **Christ the Ideal of the Priest** – Abbot Marmion
52. **Christ the Ideal of the Monk** – Abbot Marmion
53. **Union with God** – Abbot Marmion
54. **The Autobiography of Archbishop Fulton J Sheen**
55. **The Grace of Ars** – Fr. Frederick Miller
56. **The Joy of Being a Priest** – Christoph Cardinal Schohborn
57. **The Imitation of Christ** – T. a Kempis
58. **My Friend, Mrs Seton** – Mary Hillaire Tavenner
59. **St. John Neuman** – Lord
60. **St. Alphonsus Liguori** – Lord
61. **St. Bernardine of Siena** – Lord
62. **Between Heaven and Mirth** – Martin
63. **Catholicism** – Fr. Robert Barron
64. **St. Paul** – Pope Benedict XVI
65. **Jesus, The Apostles and the Early Church** – Pope Benedict XVI
66. **The Complete Works of St. John of the Cross**
67. **The Story of a Soul** – St. Therese of Lesieux
68. **Joshua** – Fr. Joseph Girzone
69. **Joshua and the Children** – Joseph Girzone
70. **Joshua and the Shepherd** – Joseph Girzone
71. **The Parables of Joshua** – Joseph Girzone
72. **Kara** – Joseph Girzone
73. **A Portrait of Jesus** – Joseph Girzone