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# THE OTHER FACE OF RUSSIA



“For a very long time, I had imagined telling the story of Russia from inside, in all its thousand facets and contradictions. I like to think that this is the best time – in a moral sense – to do so. With the hope that my stories and my humble experience as a traveller and human researcher can be a non-violent weapon against the dominant blindness and racism in the current controversial relationship between this huge country and the West, where we are all so busy discussing war and peace, and crime and punishment, that we do not realise that, inevitably, we end up being the perfect embodiment of the idiot.”

From the Altai Mountains to Kamchatka, from Murmansk to Dagestan, from St Petersburg to Moscow to the tents of the Nenets nomads. In the exciting variety of its pages, this book is an autobiography and a reportage, a social history and an adventure story. After the success of *Moscow Diaries* on YouTube – with over three million views – the famous photographer and blogger, who has lived in Russia for many years, invites us to listen to the polyphonic voice of a country which is undeniably fascinating and with multiple antinomies.

“Sometimes I wonder if even those who govern and have governed this “empire” have really understood what Russia is: any truth whatsoever that is pronounced on this cosmos sooner or later ends up by being falsified by an antithetic truth, as valid in its local dimension as it is false in its universal one.”

## The Author

Stefano Tiozzo (1985), professional photographer, documentary-maker and story teller. After having taken a degree in Dentistry, he received his first reflex camera as a gift. Soon his passion for travelling was combined with his passion for photography, leading him to discover the beauty of the world, with alongside the ambition to tell its story through his reportages, which soon become the most popular on the internet in Italy.

## Stefano Tiozzo The other face of Russia

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# MY HOUSE IN THE CHERRY TREE

## LEAVE THE CITY, LIVE IN A WOOD, BE HAPPY



Leggere e viaggiare (L)

Travel writers & storytellers

Gabriele Ghio

### LA MIA CASA SUL CILIEGIO

*Lasciare la città, vivere in un bosco, essere felici*



“We are all caught up in the frantic pace of this life. If only we could slow down, we would realize that the things we really need are few in number. I don’t know whether I have found the right direction, I don’t know what my solitary living will translate into in the future, but the sensation of having interpreted a desire gives me strength. Dreams have to come true. It is the task of every man to stop his life, look at the future and return a part of themselves to the world. This is the only way that we can give thanks for our transit here.”

This book is the manifesto of a new way of living. The lovers of Tree House Living are an unstoppable army, which is spreading all over the world and which desires a simpler and calmer life, in harmony with nature.

In his very personal parabola of existence, Gabriele has found his happiness, but above all he has understood that the choices we make are often dictated more by conventions than by a specific wish. After a period of bewilderment, his inner doubts found an answer in a wood, in a slanting cherry tree, between the wooden planks of a house which, until that moment, had been a temporary refuge and from one night in July became his home.

His story is an invitation to find the courage of your answers and to make your life a unique and marvellous work of art.

#### The Author

Gabriele Ghio. From Turin, he cultivated a passion for engines and sports driving for many years, even training as an instructor at the Misano racetrack at the school of Siegfried Stohr. In 2017, an accident in which he risked losing his life led him to a deep and radical transformation of his existence. This book is his story.

Gabriele Ghio

### My house in the cherry tree

*Leave the city, live in a wood, be happy*

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# A HEART AT THE TOP

## THE SECOND LIFE OF A WOMAN STRONGER THAN FATE



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### Milena Béthaz

#### UN CUORE IN VETTA

La seconda vita di una donna più forte del destino



A woman stronger than fate, a laudable example of a strong will. Milena Béthaz was a world champion of skyrunning when, in August 2000, while patrolling in the valleys of the Gran Paradiso (in the Val d'Aosta) as a park ranger, she was struck by lightning which went right through her body: from her ear to the tips of her toes, splitting her hiking boot. She was found the next day, dying.

The years that followed were very difficult: coma, operations, therapies, rehabilitation. The doctors initially maintained that the severe disabilities suffered could allow Milena a life that was little more than a vegetative state. The young woman almost completely lost her memory: she had to learn again how to speak, write, move and walk...But she did not give up, she is

a “toughie” from the Valgrisenche and, after years of hospitals and treatment, she returned to her family, her friends and the profession in the midst of those mountains that she had never stopped loving, until the incredible feat of climbing the 4,061 metres to the summit of the Gran Paradiso. After a very long period of recovery and a tenacious struggle to win herself back again, she has at last decided to tell her whole story.

“The mountains were cruel to me but I love them. I have never given up, because I owed it to life. Everything is done, everything can be done, we must never give up in front of obstacles.”

### The Author

Milena Béthaz (1972) is a ranger in the National Park of the Gran Paradiso (Val d'Aosta). From the mid- 1990s she started competing – and winning – in skyrunning, the new speciality of the marathon at high altitudes. In July 2000 she won the women's world championship in the half-marathon. After a tragic accident in the mountains, at the end of a difficult path to recovery, in 2015 she went back to her job: today she observes marmots. This is her first book.

Milena Béthaz

### A heart at the top

*The second life of a woman stronger than fate*

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# THE PATH TO PARADISE

## RECONQUERING MY LIFE ON THE PACIFIC CREST TRAIL



This is the story of Lorenzo. A young man like many others who at a certain point in his existence was able to say: “My life is a mess.” He is a youngster who one day felt the need to look more deeply inside himself to find “his path” and not the one that others want for him.

After an adolescence dominated by a lack of self-confidence and self-esteem, having hit rock-bottom, the desire for a turning-point, for a liberation from conditionings, for a challenge in search of his real self, made its way in him. He felt the need to put himself to the test, to test his capacities and to start to make it on his own.

He read a book, the exciting story of a hike by a girl who in solitude covers thousands of miles in the heart of the American wilderness. “And if...”. It was his heart that decided for him. It was his chance: the Pacific Crest Trail, the long path over 2500 miles long that crosses the United States – from Mexico to Canada – was to be his testing ground. He was to find himself there. An enthralling story of travel – and of life: from the desert of California to the snow-covered peaks of the Sierra Nevada... amidst exhausting efforts, the marvels of nature, unexpected encounters, risks and unforeseen events.

The adventure of a hiker conquering his destiny.

### The Author

Lorenzo Marcolla. An organic farmer, continuously in search of a sustainable and human dimension of life, fights for nature, combining his activity with that of an excursionist environmental guide. On his guided hikes, he accompanies people to get rid of what they have that is superfluous, materially and figuratively, to reconnect with themselves and their place in the world. He tells the stories of his adventures and his philosophy of life on the YouTube channel “The Art of Backpacking”. This is his first book.

Lorenzo Marcolla

### The path to paradise

*Reconquering my life on the Pacific Crest Trail*

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# ALL AROUND US IT'S FRANCE

## A SENTIMENTAL GRAND TOUR FROM THE MISTS OF CALAIS TO THE LIGHT OF MARSEILLES



“I set off lightly, for the long journey along the roads of France. I will find what I need on the way, and myself a little as well, because this book covers a land that is mine a little, amongst people who are mine, from Turin and Savoy a few steps away from the border.”

This is how the long journey of Carlo Grande through the Hexagon begins: a journey of the heart, to discover his cousins on the other side of the Alps, in the footsteps of the great names who have made its history and those figures who are a common heritage of European culture. Because mountains unite and are not an obstacle, despite the odious modern walls.

An itinerary along the roads of France, beyond stereotypes. From the South – the sun-drenched beaches of the French Riviera, the haven of artists and writers, and the Occitan pride which is still intact – towards the deep heart of the country – the Loire of kings and of Leonardo da Vinci – to the North of Proust and Leblanc, amid literary memories and war souvenirs; and then south again towards the Alps, where Italy and France are indissolubly welded together. To discover a country which, after all, we still love like mad.

“France is the intelligent, bright and charming cousin we meet at family dinners. The one that mothers and girlfriends find so witty, entertaining, nice and love flirting (curse him!) with him in front of our very eyes, Because he is so similar, familiar and exotic at one and the same time.”

### The Author

Carlo Grande, a writer and journalist, works for the Turin daily newspaper *La Stampa*. He is the author of a number of successful novels.

Carlo Grande

### All around us it's France

*A sentimental grand tour from the mists of Calais to the light of Marseilles*

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# MAY PEACE BE WITH YOU IN YOUR HEART AND IN THE WORLD



Peace is the great gift announced to the world by the Angels in Bethlehem: “Peace on earth for the men who he loves”; the same peace is the gift left by Jesus to his disciples: “I leave you peace, I give you my peace.”

For Pope Francis, “the precious treasure that each Christian has the duty of sharing with others is not banal tranquillity, but that peace which makes the heart smile even in ordeals, even in illness and in the most painful tribulations of every existence”.

At a tragic time in the history of Europe and of the Third Millennium, the Pope never tires of announcing universal peace which repudiates war, abuse and every form of vendetta. A deep and demanding reflection, which in the contemplation of the Christian Mystery spurs on every man and woman of goodwill to seek out the paths of reconciliation, compassion and reasonableness.

*From the peace of the heart to universal peace.*

*A passionate meditation on non-violence,  
harmony and forgiveness.*

*The strong and consoling voice of Pope Francis  
Invites us to the “undeniable reconciliation”:*

*With ourselves, with others, with God and with the immensity of the Creation.*

## The Author

Pope Francis – Jorge Mario Bergoglio was born in Buenos Aires on 17th December 1936. In 1958 he entered the Company of Jesus as a novice. With a degree in philosophy, he was ordained a priest in 1969, became auxiliary bishop of Buenos Aires of Auca in 1992, promoted to archbishop in 1998, created a cardinal in 2001, and was elected Pope on 13th March 2013 with the name of Francis. He has published several books, translated all over the world.

**Pope Francis**

**May peace be with you**

*In your heart and in the world*

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# THE STRENGTH OF VIRTUES

## TO GIVE THE BEST OF YOURSELF



Carlo Maria Martini, with his unmistakable style, explains the contents of the virtues, daily travel companions even for the women and men of our times.

Always attentive to the wisdom of the Scriptures and the evangelical teachings, he exhorts us to discover (and live) prudence, justice, fortitude, temperance, faith, hope and charity to refine our humanity day by day. The secret of a full and happy existence thus emerges from these pages, at the school of the Gospel.

“The objective pursued by Martini in discussing the strength of the virtues, as the title of this invaluable short essay indicates, is this: to be better with respect to ourselves, better as human beings, completely regardless of the relationships of supremacy over the others. It is not an external game, but an internal one” (from the Preface by Vito Mancuso).

### The Author

Carlo Maria Martini (1927-2012). A Jesuit and Biblical scholar, he was Archbishop of Milan from 1979 to 2002. His books have been translated and published all over the world.

**Carlo Maria Martini**  
**The strength of virtues**  
*To give the best of yourself*  
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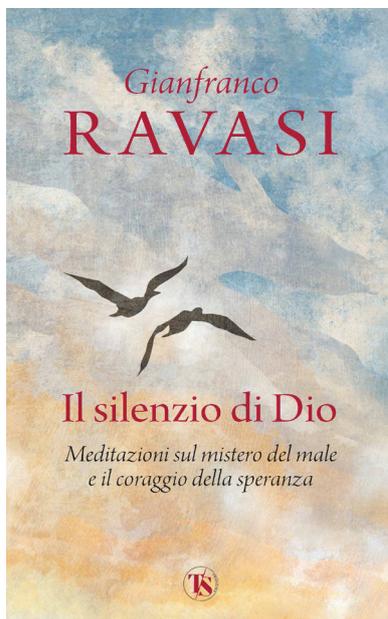
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# THE SILENCE OF GOD

## MEDITATIONS ON THE MYSTERY OF EVIL AND THE COURAGE OF HOPE



The faith that leads us to discover God, as in a polypych, is placed at the centre of other elements such as the Word, silence and history. God goes towards men, even those who are not looking for him, he is walking along their paths; a dialogue that goes beyond the everyday, a presence that settles down in an overwhelming rapture, always in the respect of the full freedom of man.

Grief, the obtuse malice of man and evil are part of this path. In his message drenched with tears, the word of the prophet Jeremy teaches us to light up the spark of a star on every day of this path.

Gianfranco Ravasi reflects on the mystery of evil and suffering in the history of humanity. They are profound and universal pages to find again the courage to fight and to hope, despite the crisis and the obscurity of the present times. Each meditation is a sliver, which in the

steps of the prophet Jeremy stimulates readers to reawaken their conscience to recognize in grief a path to meet God, themselves and their neighbour.

“The philosopher Friedrich Nietzsche said that “you have to have darkness inside to give birth to a dancing star.” Jeremy, with his message drenched in tears and the crisis, teaches us to kindle the spark of a star on every day of our walk.”

### The Author

Gianfranco Ravasi. Cardinal, Biblical scholar of international fame, he has been President of the Pontifical Council of Culture. He is the author of over one hundred and fifty books. He is also a contributor to *L'Osservatore Romano*, *Avvenire* and *Il Sole 24 Ore*.

Gianfranco Ravasi

### The silence of God

*Meditations on the mystery of evil and the courage of hope*

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# THE GOSPEL IN THE STREETS

## SMALL MEDITATIONS FOR EVERYDAY LIFE



The global crisis we are going through is a “crisis of humanity”. The Gospel can once again be a “school of humanity” to reconstitute that relational and supportive fabric which over the past few years has become dramatically frayed.

As a real populariser of the message of the Gospels, Vincenzo Paglia knows that the words of Jesus are subversive and untameable: they suffocate in the sacristies and breathe in the streets, in homes and on pavements.

This conviction led to the idea of proposing once again, in a simple and original rereading, some of the strongest and most radical pages of the Gospel according to Luke. It is an awkward Gospel, which invites conversion while keeping rampant egotism in check, but also “good news” which surprises and reassures.

Monsignor Paglia rereads the whole book of the evangelist Luke through the filter and the challenge of the contemporary age, inviting readers not to listen to the prophets of catastrophe.

### The Author

Vincenzo Paglia is President of the Pontifical Academy for Life and a member of the Congregation for the Evangelization of Peoples and the Congregation of the Causes of Saints. A journalist and writer, he is the author of books on religious and social subjects which have been translated into several languages.

Vincenzo Paglia  
**The Gospel in the streets**  
*Small meditations for everyday life*  
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# MOVING MOUNTAINS

## THE ENERGY OF PRAYER BETWEEN SCIENCE AND SPIRITUALITY



What is prayer? Why does everybody pray? Why is it that when we are victims of emotional shocks, we instinctively start to dialogue with a Superior Being, even if we do not have a great familiarity with God? For what reason do atheists, and all those who do not follow a well-defined religious belief, also sometimes have recourse to this practice at some times in their lives? Why does prayer always obtain a miracle? And which miracle? These are the questions that this book wants to answer. Solidly based on the latest discoveries of quantum physics, it investigates the real powers of prayer on matter, on the individual and on the fate of humanity.

Alessio Barberi – a doctor and a scientist – has travelled all over the world for his lengthy research, identifying the infinite possibilities of authentic faith to shape the environment in which we live, allowing us to communicate with superior dimensions through tiny spatial and temporal windows. Days come, in the lives of each one of us, when it becomes impossible not to question ourselves about the origin of life, of the cosmos and on the mysterious reason of our transit on earth. Through reading these fascinating pages, the thought that there cannot be a clock without a “clockmaker” makes its way into our minds and aggressively knocks on the doors of our intellect. Preface by Andrea Bocelli.

### The Author

Alessio Barberi, a doctor, has worked in various centres of maxillofacial surgery in Europe and as a volunteer in some difficult areas of the world (India, Belarus, Ukraine, various countries in Asia and South America). Ever since his degree in medicine he has been fascinated by quantum physics which he has studied in depth, including through further study and a master’s degree abroad. He now devotes himself mainly to travelling for research, to studying and to writing, living in different countries through the year and continuing to do voluntary work as a doctor.

Alessio Barberi

### Moving mountains

*The energy of prayer between science and spirituality*

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# THE SCHISM EMERGED

## CONFLICTS, LACERATIONS AND SILENCES IN THE CHURCH OF THE THIRD MILLENNIUM



A theologian and a journalist expert in ecclesiastical issues venture into a candidly honest inquiry into the life of the Catholic Church today, at grips with its different “schismatic souls” and with a “modernity factor” that has now made crystal clear all the many contradictions, splits, hypocrisies and conflicts.

Multiple questions are at stake, emerging from the myriad facts told: from the difficulties of genuinely listening to the lives of the believers to the exaltation of devotionism, from the loneliness of priests to the scandal of the forced vocations, from gender discrimination to the oblivion of ecumenism, from God who punishes with the pandemic to the obsession with the devil, from the conflicts of power to the challenges of communication of the faith, from the conservatives who are nostalgic for the Tridentine Mass to the hyper-progressives who are disappointed by the slowness of Bergoglio’s reforms.

For the authors, speaking of the “schism emerged” means bringing to the light these “points of division”: “In the face of the Gospel, it is as though we are all in a room when suddenly a light goes on. We might as well look at how we are arranged, how we are placed and how we react. To then move, where the light leads us.”

### The Authors

Francesco Antonioli, a journalist, is the editor of Mondo Economico. He has always combined his competence on the economy, with studying ecclesiastical and cultural-religious topics. He writes about these subjects for La Repubblica; he has also followed them for Ansa, Avvenire and Raidue.

Laura Verrani obtained a bachelor’s degree in theology from the Theological Faculty of Northern Italy and for over twenty years has dealt with Biblical catechism in the diocese of Turin and in other Italian ecclesiastical contexts.

Francesco Antonioli - Laura Verrani

### The schism emerged

*Conflicts, lacerations and silences in the Church of the Third Millennium*

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# LOLEK'S FRIENDS



It is a story that has gone all around the world, yet it has never been told from the beginning to the end. Three young Jews in the Poland of the 1930s - Jerzy Kluger, Kurt Rosenberg and Ewa, whose surname has remained unknown – and Lolek, the diminutive for Karol Wojtyla, a Catholic, destined to become a priest, then a bishop and lastly Pope of the Catholic Church.

First of all, the story is simple: their studies, school, their secrets and plans for the future, their teachers, their first loves, and the friendships and dislikes of four normal youngsters. It was a friendship like many others, which was tranquil and happy. Then came the dramatic wave of anti-Semitism, the Nazi occupation, the pogroms by Stalin, the war and deportations to gulags and extermination camps which were to change their lives forever. The four friends lost touch for almost thirty years, looking for each other and then meeting again by chance in Rome and, finally, in Jerusalem.

The refined pen of the Vatican specialist Gian Franco Svidercoschi, who has already written the bestseller *Una vita con Karol* (Rizzoli), reconstructs in its most crucial and moving passages an extraordinary story which, in its microcosm, becomes emblematic of one of the most tragic historical periods of the last century, revealing itself to be amazingly topical: in a Third Millennium with a “world war in pieces” still going through it.

## The Author

Gian Franco Svidercoschi. Of Polish origin, he started his career in journalism in 1959. A correspondent at the Second Vatican Council, he then took up the position of deputy editor of the *Osservatore Romano*. His collaboration on the autobiography of Karol Wojtyla, *Dono e Mistero. Diario di un sacerdote* (1996) and the publication with the Archbishop of Krakow, and former private secretary to John Paul II, Stanislaw Dziwisz, of *Una vita con Karol* (Rizzoli 2007) and of *Ho vissuto con un santo* (Rizzoli 2013) was decisive. His best known publications include *Lettera ad un amico ebreo* (1993), which has been translated into twenty languages.

## Gian Franco Svidercoschi Lolek's friends

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# IS THE DIGESTIF ON THE HOUSE?

## PATRONS AND ADVENTURES OF A ROMAN RESTAURATEUR IN ROME



There's the "serial killer," known to all the restaurateurs in Rome, who comes in at 11 p.m. and orders everything from the appetizers to dessert, then leaves without paying. Then there's the mean lawyer, the odd couple, the Russians, the tip, the reviews, the kitchen...

It is a colourful, entertaining and exciting "human comedy" at the table that Bernardo De Luca recounts in this book. The owner of one of the most famous and popular typical restaurants in Rome, near Piazza Navona (five stars on Trip Advisor), in sparkling pages, brimming over with truth and irony, tells us of the funniest episodes in his life as a restaurateur, adding insightful reflections on what it means today to welcome people and make them feel at home. The patrons who feature in these stories are unforgettable.

### The Author

Bernardo De Luca is a famous restaurateur, entrepreneur and chef, the owner of one of the most popular restaurants in Rome, near Piazza Navona: Il Virginiae. A born storyteller and entertainer, he can tell hundreds of stories with his light touch and disillusioned attitude. This is his first book.

**Bernardo De Luca**

### Is the digestif on the house?

*Patrons and adventures of a Roman restaurateur in Rome*

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# THINK, WRITE, LIVE

## THE POWER OF THERAPEUTIC WRITING



“I’m asking you not to be afraid and to choose – for this journey on the wings of therapeutic writing – a pen that is like you: at times chubby and sturdy, at others slender and soft to the touch. Choose it from many and feel that it is like the ally that at times will consume your strength and at times will make you daring. In writing that heals, you will discover a fertile space and new curiosities about your being, you will venture into new inner territories, which you have never dared reach. Together with the pen, prepare an exercise book; it will be your brackets of protection, your space of surrender and of absolute sincerity.”

It is with this opening invitation that Sonia Scarpante takes her reader by the hand. Can writing really become therapy for the body and for the mind? What is therapeutic writing? What are its main benefits? Can it improve our relations with others?

Written by one of the most accredited Italian counsellors, thanks to her twenty years of experience, the book - full of personal accounts and letters collected in the field – is an introduction to writing as an inner journey. An effective therapy to become aware of blocks, fears and wounds and restore us to life with greater peace of mind.

### The Author

Sonia Scarpante was born in Milan in 1958. Holding a degree in Architecture, she specialized in art therapy and, in 2011, became accredited as counsellor trainer. She has worked with writing projects at the European Oncology Institute in Milan. A teacher of therapeutic writing and a trainer, she directs refresher courses for medical and healthcare personnel and in schools.

**Sonia Scarpante**  
**Think, write, live**  
*The power of therapeutic writing*  
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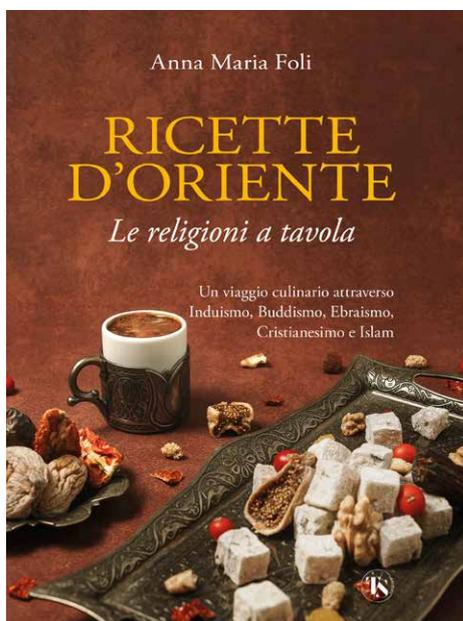
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# RECIPES FROM THE ORIENT

## RELIGIONS AT THE TABLE



A great repertoire of recipes drawn from the religious wisdom of the greatest religious traditions of the world: not only the three great monotheisms, but also Buddhism, Hinduism, Sikhism, Jainism and Hare Krishna. Each stopping point on this journey is introduced by a short presentation of the religion, with history, information and interesting tidbits. The recipes revisit tradition, recovering seasonal ingredients and natural products. The guide also offers useful information on the nutritional properties of the foods, their cultivation, cooking and preservation. In the appendix, there is a useful “dictionary of spices” which introduces the characteristics and use of these aromas which are so important in oriental cooking.

A culinary journey through the world’s main religions. A “gastronomic pilgrimage” in the flavours of the Orient which tells the story of dishes, ingredients and preparations.

### The Author

Anna Maria Foli. Editor and translator, scholar of the history of religions and of the Middle Ages, she has published a number of books for Piemme, Sperling&Kupfer, Effatà, San Paolo. A researcher and traveller, she has always worked on codices, miniatures and manuscripts through which she has refined her knowledge of natural therapies and herbal medicine.

Anna Maria Foli  
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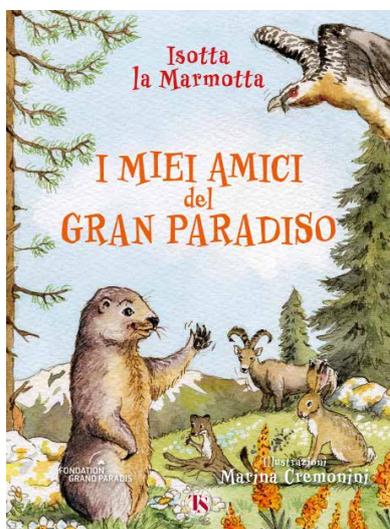
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# MY FRIENDS IN THE GRAN PARADISO



The chamois Rosalina, Inge the lynx, Frida the fox, Nico the squirrel, Rufo the owl, the steinbock Amedeo, Pino the ermine, Bice the partridge, Mister and Lady woodpeckers...

These are only some of the animal friends that Isotta meets on this adventure in one of the most famous and most visited protected areas in Italy: the Gran Paradiso Park. Friendly and funny, moody and frightened, solitary and rascals, Isotta's friends meet the children and help them understand the complexity of the natural environment and the magic of its beauty.

Isotta accompanies children to discover many fascinating, funny and mysterious animals: steinbocks and chamois, eagles and bearded vultures, wolf cubs and lynxes, partridges and woodpeckers, foxes and hares... An instructive and entertaining adventure.

## The Authors

Isotta the marmot. She scampers around the meadows of the Gran Paradiso, where she grew up, tumbling around with her brothers and sisters. She digs holes in the ground and deep tunnels, but when she peeps out with her little head above the surface she surprises herself by surreptitiously watching the children. It is to children that she wants to transmit all her love for the mountains and her animal friends.

Marina Cremonini. She was born in Bologna, where she lives and works as an illustrator and water colourist. She works in publishing, in advertising and in packaging, creating personal projects where Nature is the main character. She has published with Rizzoli and several other publishers.

## Isotta the marmot - Marina Cremonini My friends in the Gran Paradiso

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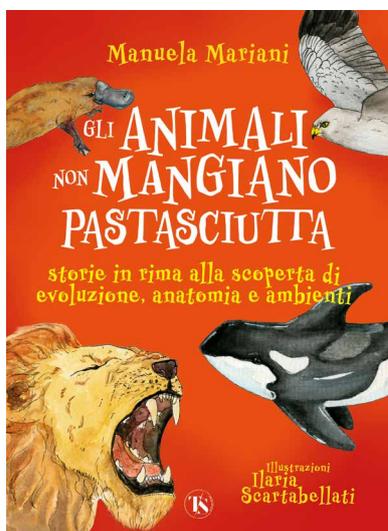
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# ANIMALS DON'T EAT SPAGHETTI

## STORIES IN RHYME TO LEARN ABOUT EVOLUTION, ANATOMY AND ENVIRONMENTS



The answers to many questions from children about animals, environments and the history of our planet are in this small book, written by two natural scientists, who thanks to their nursery rhymes can entertain while revealing odd facts, mysteries and beauties of the marvelous world of nature.

After many years of work in the field and great experience with small children, Manuela Mariani and Ilaria Scartabellati have written and illustrated entertaining stories in rhyme to talk about Darwin, the miracle of flight, the anatomy of animals, their tastes and habits, the most surprising species and the biomes where they live and reproduce.

The book is a valuable contribution to teaching in schools and an instrument of cultural growth, including outside the classroom, on subjects of zoology botany, ethology and protection of the environment.

Why are the bones of a human arm almost the same as those of an animal's leg? Is it really true that all species derive from a single cell that lived millions of years ago?

Why are there some animals that can see well at night and others that are almost blind?

Evolution is the incredible process related by two naturalists in this book.

### The Authors

Manuela Mariani (author) and Ilaria Scartabellati (illustrator) work at the Museum of Natural Science in Milan.

Manuela Mariani - Ilaria Scartabellati

### Animals don't eat spaghetti

*Stories in rhyme to learn about evolution, anatomy and environment*

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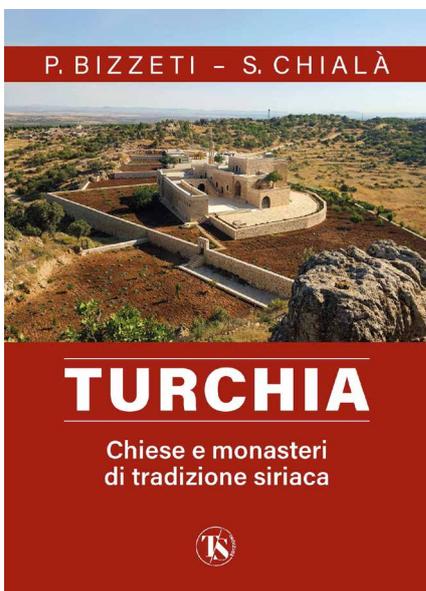
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# TURKEY

## CHURCHES AND MONASTERIES OF THE SYRIAC TRADITION



The Syriac tradition is the third “lung” of Christianity. Despite continuous persecutions and the forced exile of whole villages, this “middle land,” in south-eastern Turkey, preserves the traces of a heritage of inestimable value: architectural gems and small resistant communities.

The development of Turkish and international tourism in these areas - in particular around the cities of Mardin and Midyat, but also Nusaybin, Idil and Şirnak-Silopi – and the scarcity of finding accurate information on how to find these ancient architectonic treasures and learn about their history, convinced the authors to write a guidebook to bring to the knowledge – to Christian pilgrims, but others as well – of these places which otherwise would remain the prerogative of only a few curious people or academics.

The book contains the description of the main places linked to the Syriac tradition (churches and monasteries) with a rich gallery of pictures, practical information for visiting, maps and useful introductions to the historical, geographical and religious situations of these ancient Christian communities. At the end, a selection of texts to plunge into their extraordinary spiritual richness.

A guidebook to discover a “hidden” Turkey yet one which is very ancient and alive: churches and monasteries of the Syriac tradition, the “third lung” of Christianity.

### The Authors

Paolo Bizzeti, a Jesuit, was appointed Bishop of Tabe and Apostolic Vicar of Anatolia in 2015.

Sabino Chialà is the prior of the Monastic community of Bose (Piedmont, Italia) and a scholar of Semitic languages, in particular Syriac.

Paolo Bizzeti - Sabino Chialà

### Turkey

*Churches and monasteries of the Syriac tradition*

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# A CRIMINOLOGIST ON THE TOMB OF CHRIST

## THE FACTS, THE DOCUMENTS, THE EVIDENCE



The mystery of an empty tomb and of a corpse that has disappeared. Just one news item like many others, two thousand years ago, in a city on the outskirts of the Roman Empire. Except that for a group of followers and the very faithful, the body, which is nowhere to be found, is the sign of the resurrection of Jesus of Nazareth.

The investigation of the modern criminologist starts off from these conditions: what did the first witnesses who reached the tomb find? Was it really impossible to roll away the stone or did the fact that it had been moved belong to the greatest “conspiracy” ever imagined? In short, is it possible to reconstruct a crime scene more than two thousand years after the event and untangle a case that has never been solved?

We will imagine being in the tomb of Christ the day after it was opened, and we will do so as through we were working through virtual reality to have the chance to collect the elements that the memories of the past have brought down to us; we will try to recover the most reliable information on objects, weapons and personal effects of the people involved, as well as the voices of the eye-witnesses. We will be supported by the circumstantial method, with recourse to disciplines such as criminology and pathological anatomy: we will ask written sources (not only the gospels) for help and also the finds that have come down to us which in some way keep a link with the last hours of Christ’s earthly life.

With clues, witnesses’ accounts and analyses, an investigation carried out following a rigorous scientific method to throw light on one of the first cold cases in history.

### The Author

Massimo Centini, an anthropologist and criminologist, has worked with many Italian and foreign universities and museums. He is currently working with the Università Popolare di Torino where he holds the chair of Cultural Anthropology.

**Massimo Centini**

### **A criminologist on the tomb of Christ**

*The facts, the documents, the evidence*

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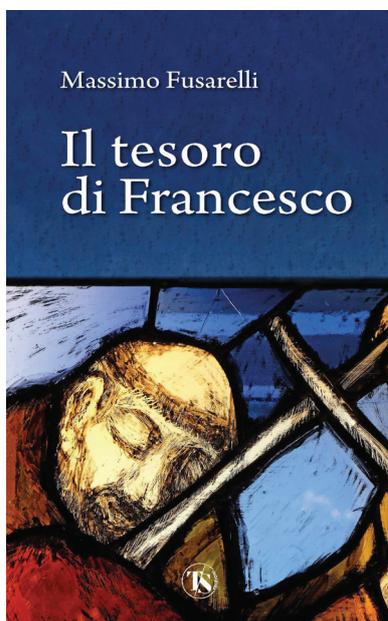
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This book collects some texts that fra Massimo Fusarelli, elected Minister-General of the Order of Friars Minor in July 2021, composed on various occasions from the beginning of his new service.

The basic approach that combines faith and being in the world with a non-intimist view of faith and a believer's vision of the world is what is striking in these writings. It is a personal experience, seized with lucidity and offered humbly to his brothers, that emerges as an indication that is not rooted in theory but in concrete experience.

This feature of testimony makes reading these writings convincing, with their combination of doctrine and critical lucidity with an incarnated faith and, why not, with a pinch of passion. This intersection between faith and the world, between theory and practice, between the mind and the heart, distinguishes the Christian spiritual experience, which finds its essential reference in the blessed humanity of the Word made flesh.

*Francis of Assisi surprises us as always  
and points out to us the road to remote places, far off the beaten track,  
to rediscover there the possibility of new believing,  
rich even today in life and future,  
to be searched for like pilgrims in the night.*

## The Author

Massimo Fusarelli, a friar minor, was born in Rome in 1963. He studies and teaches Patristics, works in the vocational pastoral service and in ongoing training. He performs assistance to the Franciscan Family, of training and preaching at different levels. He lived first with other friars in a New form of presence and of evangelization in the Roman outskirts, then in Amatrice, in the centre of Italy, after the earthquake that traumatized the region in 2016. He was elected Minister-General of the Order of Friars Minor on 13 July 2021

Massimo Fusarelli  
**Francis's treasure**

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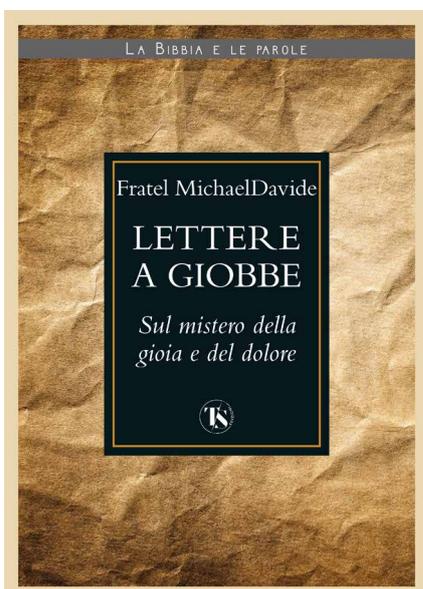
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# LETTERS TO JOB

## ON THE MYSTERY OF JOY AND SORROW



The task of every man and woman on the earth is to learn to resist the great temptation of transforming their whole existence into an abyss of maceration in anger and regret. No sorrow and no suffering are in themselves a hell, however greatly the grief and anguish may be felt and thought, but regret is, its “worm does not die.”

The book of Job is a real travelling companion for all those who are touched and, at times, branded by the mystery of pain. He had to – and perhaps even wanted to – face up to the enigma of pain at first hand. From the dawn of times, his figure has become for us an irreplaceable companion of the day, more often of the nights, lit up by the only light of the gloomy doubts into which all our most painful questions flow.

In this epistolary rereading of the Book of Job, Fratel Michael Davide offers a meditation that gives lucidity and serenity, to overcome the resignation and anger that suffering often brings with it. A delicate and deep reflection on the art of living (and dying) that starts from an observation that is as simple as it is reassuring: Job is our friend and we can speak to him with our hearts open.

*Dear Job, I have been thinking of starting an intimate and familiar correspondence with you for some time now. Like everyone, I also need, at certain times, someone to speak to with whom I can not only share my anguishes and my hopes but – perhaps even more – someone to grow with... To understand the mystery of life.*

### The Author

Michael Davide Semeraro, benedictine monk since 1983, lives in the Koinonia de la Visitation in Rhêmes-Notre-Dame (Aosta Valley, Italian Alps).

Michael Davide Semeraro

### Letters to Job

*On the mystery of joy and sorrow*

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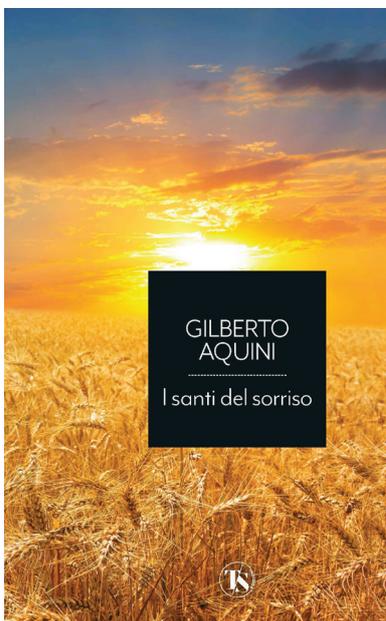
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# THE SAINTS OF THE SMILE

EXTRAORDINARY LIVES IN HISTORY,  
HUMOUR AND DEVOTION



This rich gallery of extraordinary lives narrates the words and the works of the giants of the faith who were able to lighten the weight of existence: from Filippo Neri to Ignazio di Loyola, from St Nicholas to St Giovanni Bosco, from Thérèse of Lisieux to the Blessed Giovanna da Signa.

The events related by the refined pen of Gilberto Aquini are historical, but without overlooking the legendary aspects and the anecdotes that have perpetuated their devotion.

Amongst these saints – some of whom are not very well known – no one is like another. Their benevolent and indulgent gaze on the miseries and contradictions of daily life teaches us that knowledge which is the pure gift of the Spirit.

## The Author

Gilberto Aquini (1937) has been a friar minor since 1954 and a priest since 1963. Holding a degree in Theology from the Antonianum University in Rome (1965) and a graduate in Philosophy from the University of Bologna (1979), for many years he hosted the radio series Buongiorno con un santo for Bologna's Radio Tau.

**Gilberto Aquini**

## The saints of the smile

*Extraordinary lives in history, humour and devotion*

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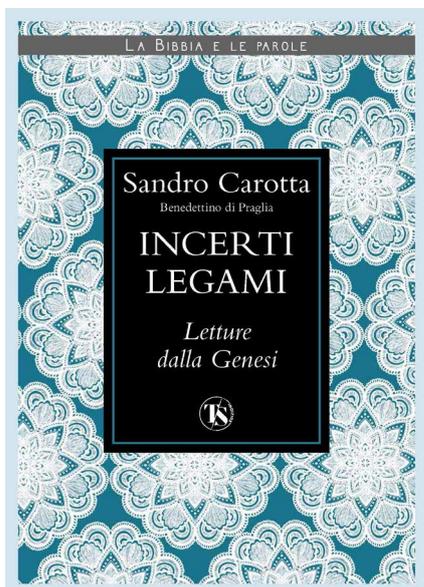
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# UNCERTAIN BONDS

## READINGS FROM THE BOOK OF GENESIS



In the first few pages of the Book of Genesis, creation takes place through acts of separation: earth from sky, night from day... With creation, difference is asserted. That's not all, creation sees the birth of difference as a value. History, however, has experienced the struggle of this recognition; up until the present we have seen the alternating of the meeting-clash between God and man, between man and woman, between brother and brother, between father and son, and between peoples.

But why is accepting otherness so problematic and difficult?

Listening to the Holy Scriptures, we will try to sketch out an answer to this question of capital importance for the future and the quality of our experience, as the encyclical of Pope Francis, *Fratelli tutti*, has reminded us.

*Freedom can be established  
and equality imposed.  
Brotherhood, on the other hand,  
is not established by law.  
It comes from the personal experience  
of solidarity and responsibility.  
Edgar Morin*

### The Author

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**Sandro Carotta**  
**Uncertain bonds**  
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