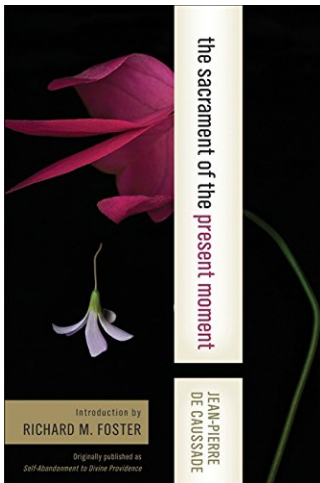


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In this superb new translation of the celebrated spiritual classic of wisdom, hope, and inspiration, Jean-Pierre de Caussade offers guidance for daily living in communion with God. This exemplary devotional work summons readers to holiness, reveals ways to conquer self-love and pride, and points the way for experiencing each moment as a sacrament.

The author shows how God speaks to us through every moment of every day. He

encourages a joyous, affirming, selfless abandonment to God. By entering into such active contemplation and facing ourselves honestly and openly, the author assures us, we can achieve the comfort and fulfillment of a life suffused with grace.

These timeless spiritual reflections probe the mystery of faith, illuminate the nature of authentic contemplation, and help us recognize and carry out God's purpose in our own lives. They stand as powerful testimony to de Caussade's conviction "that there is nothing easier, more ordinary, more available to all than saintliness."

About the Author

Jean-Pierre de Caussade was born in Toulouse, France, and was ordained a member of the Society of Jesus in 1708. In 1731, he was appointed spiritual director of the Jesuit retreat house in Nancy, where he undertook the spiritual direction of the Nuns of the Visitation. It is the notes of his addresses to the nuns that form this book.

Kitty Muggeridge, the wife of author and journalist Malcolm Muggeridge, is well-known as a translator.

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That idea of "the sacrament of the present moment" is captured in tomorrow's gospel reading from St John's account of the feeding of the five thousand, the only miracle recorded in all four gospels. The scene is set: "When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming towards him, Jesus said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?" He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do." Philip panics: all he can see is 5,000 problems whereas Jesus saw 5,000 opportunities. Philip has no idea what to do; indeed St Mark's account tells us that the first response "The present moment is like the center of the merry-go-round; it is the place of stillness where one can rest, even though life is raging all around. What do I mean by this, especially if in the present moment, I am suffering? Since the past is gone and the future has not happened, the only place where God is" where eternity intersects with time "is right now, in the present moment. And God is our refuge, our place of rest." Each and every moment is pregnant with God, pregnant with the graces of the Kingdom. If you enter into and live by the sacrament of the present moment, you will discover a tremendous freedom, for, Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. (2 Cor 3:17). Living in the present moment and practicing His presence requires that meekness. It takes much more strength to live this life than to live the life the rest of the world lives. Richard Foster wrote the introduction - his chapter alone is worth the price of the book. 5.0 out of 5 stars Sacrament of the Present Moment. Reviewed in Canada on June 1, 2016. Verified Purchase. Sacrament of Marriage " Sacrament of Marriage " Catholic Encyclopedia " Sacrament of Marriage That Christian marriage (i.e. marriage between baptized persons) is really a sacrament of the New Law in the strict sense of the word is for all Catholics and " Catholic encyclopedia. The Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist " The Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist " Catholic Encyclopedia " The Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist In this article we shall consider: " the fact of the Real Presence, which is, indeed, the central dogma; " the " Catholic encyclopedia.