



From the Pews in the Back: Young Women & Catholicism

RECOMMENDED READINGS

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INTRODUCTION

- *Good Catholic Girls*, Angela Bonavoglia
- *Catholic Identity*, Michele Dillon
- *The Church That Women Want*, Elizabeth Johnson
- *Being Catholic Now*, Kerry Kennedy
- *Catholic Does Not Equal the Vatican*, Rosemary Radford Ruether
- *With Oil in Our Lamps*, Sandra Schneiders' Madeleva Lecture

CHAPTER ONE: Growing Up Catholic

- *Vows: The Story of a Priest, a Nun, and their Son*, Peter Manseau
- *The Cloister Walk*, Kathleen Norris

CHAPTER TWO: Faith in Action

- *The Trial of the Catonsville Nine*, Dan Berrigan, SJ
- Church Social Justice Documents
- *The Long Loneliness*, Dorothy Day
- *From Union Square to Rome*, Dorothy Day
- *Longing for Running Water*, Ivone Gebara
- *A Theology of Liberation*, Gustavo Gutierrez
- *Speaking of Faith*, Krista Tippett

CHAPTER THREE: Being a Catholic Woman

- *Good Catholic Girls*, Angela Bonavoglia
- *Sex and the Soul*, Donna Freitas
- *Becoming a Goddess of Inner Poise*, Donna Freitas
- *Body, Sex, and Pleasure: Rethinking Christian Ethics*, Christine Gudorf
- *Fumbling*, Kerry Egan
- *Women Shaping Theology*, Mary Ann Hinsdale's Madeleva Lecture
- *Revelations of Divine Love*, Julian of Norwich
- *Showings*, Julian of Norwich
- *Building Sisterhood: A Feminist History of the Sisters, Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary*, Sisters, Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary

CHAPTER FOUR: Vocation

- *Mulieris Dignitatem*, http://www.vatican.va/holy_father/john_paul_ii/apost_letters/documents/hf_jp-ii_apl_15081988_mulieris-dignitatem_en.html
- *Seven Storey Mountain*, Thomas Merton
- *A Church of Her Own: What Happens When a Woman Takes the Pulpit*, Sarah Sentilles

CHAPTER FIVE: Spiritual Identity

- *Practicing Catholic*, James Carroll
- Meister Eckhart
- *All Saints*, Robert Ellsberg
- Graham Greene
- Robert Kennedy, SJ
- Thomas Merton

CONCLUSION

- *In Search of Belief*, Joan Chittister
- *American Catholics Today*, William D'Antonio, et al.
- *Young Adult Catholics*, Dean Hoge, et al.
- *Being Catholic in a Culture of Choice*, Tom Rausch, SJ

More Recommendations

The Bible

A Reader in Latina Feminist Theology: Religion and Justice,

ed. by Maria Pilar Aquino, Daisy L. Machado, and Jeanette Rodriguez

Good Catholic Girls, Angela Bonavoglia

My Red Couch: And Other Stories on Seeking a Feminist Faith,

ed. by Claire Bischoff and Rachel Gaffron

Practicing Catholic, James Carroll

Woman Hollering Creek: And Other Stories, Sandra Cisneros

Pilgrim at Tinker Creek, Annie Dillard

With Roots in Heaven, Tirzah Firestone

Eat, Pray, Love, Elizabeth Gilbert

Faith and Feminism, Helen Hunt

She Who Is, Elizabeth Johnson

Animal, Vegetable, Miracle, Barbara Kingsolver

Traveling Mercies, Anne Lamott

Not Counting Women and Children: Neglected Stories from the Bible, Megan McKenna

Leave Her Alone, Megan McKenna (sequel to *Not Counting Women and Children*)

Take this Bread, Sara Miles

The Dance of the Dissident Daughter, Sue Monk Kidd

Amazing Grace, Kathleen Norris

Everything Belongs: The Gift of Cotemplative Prayer, Richard Rohr

Leaving Church, Barbara Brown Taylor

The Shack, William P. Young