

# Catholic Sexual Ethics A Summary Explanation Defense

The Great Life - Michael J. Aquilina 2005

The great life is the Catholic life. This collection of essays presents the answer of faith to many questions of our culture. It is an invitation not only to know the Faith but also to love, live, and teach it from the heart of the Church.

**Catholic Sexual Ethics** - William May 2011-08-25

The authoritative work on the Church's teaching on sexual morality has been thoroughly updated to address dimensions of this complex topic that have emerged in the late 20th and early 21st centuries. Since publication of the 2nd edition of *Catholic Sexual Ethics*, the philosophical landscape of human sexuality has dramatically changed. The rise of such concerns as moral relativism, the drive for same-sex unions, and a drastic redefinition of "marriage" and "family" have underscored the need for an unambiguous, up-to-date understanding of Catholic sexual teaching.

Features: Summary of Catholic teaching on sexuality from biblical times to our own. Presentation of principal elements of the teaching of Pope Benedict XVI on marriage in the early years of his pontificate. Discussion of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith's 2003 Considerations Regarding Proposals to Give Legal Recognition to Unions Between Homosexual Persons. Integration of more recent materials that clarify issues into the existing framework of the book. Whether you are involved in ministry, education, or catechesis, you will benefit from having this essential resource near at hand.

*Virtue and Theological Ethics* - Salzman; Todd A. 2018-10-18

Eight story-reflections, each based on a different Beatitude, offer accounts of immigrant children who fled Central America on their own to escape violence and poverty. Artwork created by immigrant youth and meditations written by Jesuit Father Leo O'Donovan accompany the

stories.

*Sex, Gender, and Christian Ethics* - Lisa Sowle Cahill 1996-08-28

This book endorses feminist critiques of gender, yet upholds the insight of traditional Christianity that sex, commitment and parenthood are fulfilling human relations. Their unity is a positive ideal, though not an absolute norm. Women and men should enjoy equal personal respect and social power. In reply to feminist critics of oppressive gender and sex norms and to communitarian proponents of Christian morality, Cahill argues that effective intercultural criticism of injustice requires a modest defence of moral objectivity. She thus adopts a critical realism as its moral foundation, drawing on Aristotle and Aquinas. Moral judgment should be based on reasonable, practical, prudent and cross-culturally nuanced reflection on human experience. This is combined with a New Testament model of community, centred on solidarity, compassion and inclusion of the economically or socially marginalised.

**Sixty Years of Moral Theology** - Curran, Charles E. 2020

Following the model of the previous volumes, Charles Curran has gathered here fourteen articles relating to three areas in moral theology: I. Vatican II and Its Aftermath. II. Humane Vitae and Its Aftermath. III. Subsequent Developments

**Catholic Sexual Ethics** - William E. May 2001

**The Concept of Sexual Pleasure in the Catholic Moral Tradition** -

Shaji George Kochuthara 2007

**Church, State, and Society** - J. Brian Benestad 2012-08-07

How can the Catholic faith help not only Catholics, but all people, build a just and flourishing society? The Catholic Church contributes first and

foremost to the common good by forming the consciences of the faithful. Faith helps reason achieve an understanding of the common good and guides individuals in living justly and harmoniously. In this book, J. Brian Benestad provides a detailed, accessible introduction to Catholic social doctrine (CSD), the Church's teachings on the human person, the family, society, political life, charity, justice, and social justice. Church, State, and Society explains the nuanced understanding of human dignity and the common good found in the Catholic intellectual tradition. It makes the case that liberal-arts education is an essential part of the common good because it helps people understand their dignity and all that justice requires. The author shows the influence of ancient and modern political philosophy and examines St. Augustine, St. Thomas Aquinas, papal social encyclicals, Vatican Council II, and postconciliar magisterial teaching. Benestad highlights the teachings of popes John Paul II and Benedict XVI that the attainment of the common good depends on the practice of the virtues by citizens and leaders alike. In addition to discussing the tension between CSD and liberal democracy, the book takes an in-depth look at: -Key themes of social life: the dignity of the human person, human rights, natural law, and the common good -Three principal mediating institutions of civil society: family, Church, and Catholic university -The economy, work, poverty, immigration, and the environment -The international community and just war principles "Excellent . . . The best treatment of Catholic Social Doctrine as a whole and a precious reminder of the intrinsically problematic character of modern democracy."

—Perspectives on Political Science

Reenvisioning Sexual Ethics - Karen Peterson-Iyer 2022

In *Reenvisioning Sexual Ethics*, Karen Peterson-Iyer's profound feminist Christian reframing of sexuality examines contemporary social practices and ethical sex, facilitating meaningful discussion about sexual agency and flourishing.

**Family Ethics** - Julie Hanlon Rubio 2010-03-17

How can ordinary Christians find moral guidance for the mundane dilemmas they confront in their daily lives? To answer this question, Julie Hanlon Rubio brings together a rich Catholic theology of marriage and a

strong commitment to social justice to focus on the place where the ethics of ordinary life are played out: the family. Sex, money, eating, spirituality, and service. According to Rubio, all are areas for practical application of an ethics of the family. In each area, intentional practices can function as acts of resistance to a cultural and middle-class conformity that promotes materialism over relationships. These practices forge deep connections within the family and help families live out their calling to be in solidarity with others and participate in social change from below. It is through these everyday moral choices that most Christians can live out their faith—and contribute to progress in the world.

*Where Do You Stand?* - Gregory C. Higgins 2014-05-14

*Eight Moral Issues Confronting Today's Christians*, Gregory C. Higgins. Examines the particulars behind eight crucial moral issues of the day and challenges the reader to take a personal stand on them.

*Ethics of Procreation and the Defense of Human Life* - Martin Rhonheimer 2010-02

\*A rigorous philosophical analysis of some of the most disputed questions in Catholic sexual ethics\*

**"In the Beginning . . ."** - Eduardo J. Echeverria 2011-01-01

One of the most significant contributions of Pope John Paul II to the church, and arguably to the culture, was his development of a theology of the body. This theology explores the rich meaning and vocation of human embodiment, of the body-person, in light of the fundamental truths of creation, fall into sin, and redemption in Jesus Christ. In this book, Eduardo J. Echeverria inquires into the biblical, theological, and philosophical foundations of the Pope's theology of the body. In a wide-ranging discussion of a Catholic theology of revelation, biblical hermeneutics, and a biblical perspective on the Christ-centered dynamics of the moral life, Echeverria clearly establishes the fundamental principles needed for a full understanding of John Paul II's thought. He probes the philosophical foundations of the Pope's thought in the context of a Catholic theology of nature, sin, and grace. The book concludes with an analysis of the normative implications of the Pope's theology for

sexual ethics and provides a novel and provocative application of the theology of the body to the morality of homosexuality. Echeverria's study of John Paul II's theology of the body helps us to make sense of how the pope's theology deepens our understanding of the Catholic teaching that "the human body shares in the dignity of the 'image of God'" (Catechism of the Catholic Church, no. 364).

**In Defense of Purity** - Dietrich Von Hildebrand 2017-06-06

A probing meditation on the nature, value, and beauty of purity, *In Defense of Purity* is not a book of sexual ethics, nor a "how-to" guide to purity—but for readers with open minds and hearts, the book promises to be transformative. Hildebrand's insights on love, marriage, and sexuality offer fresh wisdom to people in any stage of life.

**Catholic Sexual Ethics** - Joseph M. Boyle 1996

The church's teaching with regard to sexuality in light of these documents: the Catechism of the Catholic Church, *Veritatis Splendor*, *Evangelium Vitae*, and others. Catholic Church's position on all aspects of human sexuality, homo, and birth control.

Catholic Sexual Ethics - Ronald David Lawler 1985

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**Sex and Virtue** - John S. Grabowski 2012-08-07

"Grabowski offers a compelling rationale for the virtue of chastity that takes into account the sensibilities and challenges of the contemporary world" (Raymond Dennehy, Professor Emeritus, University of San Francisco). "A welcome addition to an often contentious literature," *Sex and Virtue* provides a theological foundation for consideration of the moral dimensions of human sexuality from a Roman Catholic perspective (Catholic Books Review). In the hope of contributing to the ongoing renewal of moral theology sparked by the Second Vatican Council, John S. Grabowski discusses the systemic application of biblical and virtue-based categories on the topic of sexuality. A number of issues are examined including: the historical setting regarding attitudes and

practices concerning sexuality; key biblical, historical, and contemporary resources for articulating a virtue-based approach to sexual ethics; current issues with which such an approach must wrestle; and some description of how to foster growth in moral virtue, particularly chastity. Ultimately, *Sex and Virtue* offers a compelling vision of human sexuality in the light of Christian faith that can provide a viable alternative to dominant cultural ideologies that trivialize sex and concrete practices that can enable growth in moral freedom. "Sex and Virtue is a splendid result of Grabowski's response to the call of Vatican II to find scriptural support for Catholic moral teaching. The ecumenical potential of this book is tremendous; Christians can only marvel at the resources in scripture for establishing sexual morality—a morality that puts sexuality in service of love, life, and salvation." —Janet E. Smith, former professor of moral theology, Sacred Heart Major Seminary of Detroit

*A Culture of Engagement* - Cathleen Kaveny 2016

Religious traditions in the United States are characterized by ongoing tension between assimilation to the broader culture, as typified by mainline Protestant churches, and defiant rejection of cultural incursions, as witnessed by more sectarian movements such as Mormonism and Hassidism. However, legal theorist and Catholic theologian Cathleen Kaveny contends there is a third possibility—a culture of engagement—that accommodates and respects tradition. It also recognizes the need to interact with culture to remain relevant and to offer critiques of social, political, legal, and economic practices. Kaveny suggests that rather than avoid the crisscross of the religious and secular spheres of life, we should use this conflict as an opportunity to come together and to encounter, challenge, contribute to, and correct one another. Focusing on five broad areas of interest—Law as a Teacher, Religious Liberty and Its Limits, Conversations about Culture, Conversations about Belief, and Cases and Controversies—Kaveny demonstrates how thoughtful and purposeful engagement can contribute to rich, constructive, and difficult discussions between moral and cultural traditions. This provocative collection of Kaveny's articles from *Commonweal* magazine, substantially revised and updated from their

initial publication, provides astonishing insight into a range of hot-button issues like abortion, assisted suicide, government-sponsored torture, contraception, the Ashley Treatment, capital punishment, and the role of religious faith in a pluralistic society. At turns masterful and inspirational, *A Culture of Engagement* is a welcome reminder of what can be gained when a diversity of experiences and beliefs is brought to bear on American public life.

*Catholic Sexual Morality* - Robert Fastiggi 2018-01-04

Many people today believe that the traditional Catholic view of sex is antiquated, unrealistic, and potentially harmful. In *Catholic Sexual Morality*, Dr. Robert Fastiggi asks whether the permissive sexual attitude of today's culture is really contributing to deeper love, better relationships, and true happiness for men, women, children, and families. He begins with the example of St. Augustine who recognized he was a slave to lust and in need of true freedom. Fastiggi then examines the foundations for Catholic sexual morality in Scripture, reason, and human experience. The hope is that people will realize that the Catholic Church is not "against sex" but sees sexual intimacy as something so beautiful and life-giving that it requires the stability of marriage for its true and rightful expression. *Catholic Sexual Morality* is grounded in the belief that the church's teachings on sex correspond to God's plan for human happiness. These teachings are challenging, and the church understands

how easy it is to fail in sexual matters. God's mercy, however, is more powerful than human weakness and sin. This book explains the reasons why the Catholic Church teaches as she does on matters such as pornography, masturbation, fornication, adultery, contraception, divorce, and homosexual acts. It presents these teachings in a realistic way with full recognition of the reasons why people reject them. The ultimate desire is to help people understand that Catholic sexual morality is not a creation of church leaders but a response to what God has made known to us in Sacred Scripture and the natural law. In a world filled with infidelity, divorce, wounded children, and broken hearts, the wisdom of traditional Catholic sexual morality deserves a more sympathetic view—not just because it is Catholic but because it is true.

**Encyclopedia of Catholic Social Thought, Social Science, and Social Policy** - Michael L. Coulter 2012-04-05

This third, supplemental volume continues the approach of the original two volumes of the *Encyclopedia of Catholic Social Thought, Social Science, and Social Policy* that were published in 2007. First, the volume includes entries that explore Catholic social thought at its broadest, most theoretical level. Second, the volume includes entries that discuss recent social science research that bears on issues important to Catholic social thought. Third, the volume includes entries discussing specific issues of social policy that have become increasingly important in recent years.

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