

77 Great Catholic Homilies

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Synopsis

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Fifty years of Jesuit spirituality and scholarship come to full expression in Fr. Harvey Egan's audio collection, *77 Great Catholic Homilies*. Divided into five subsections - by feasts, family occasions, Christ-focused subjects, and miscellaneous reflections - the series telescopes from the general to the particular in fluid motions. You will find anecdotal wisdom in spades. Fr. Egan's homilies approach topics in Christianity from a simultaneously creative and orthodox perspective, eschewing the tendency for homilies to become treatises on scriptural passages or mere platforms for political views. Instead, Fr. Egan strives to balance fidelity to the mass with attentiveness to his listeners' interests.

Drawing on his decades of pastoral experience and St. Ignatius of Loyola's example, Fr. Egan offers you a glimpse into his process. When he sits down to prepare a homily, he begins by reading over the commentaries of some of his favorite scripture scholars. "Almost always," says Fr. Egan, "they give me a few ideas, a jumping off point." In each powerful homily, you will find spiritually edifying nuggets of insight.

In the end, the tone of the series might be best illustrated by one of the many amusing anecdotes you will hear from Fr. Egan. He recalls a friend once saying that homilies were like good home-cooked meals: Years later you might not remember what was actually cooked, but no doubt you were nourished. *77 Great Catholic Homilies* follows from this analogy, hoping to nourish you spiritually.

Reader's comments

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77 Great Catholic Homilies by Harvey D. Egan is a profound collection that beautifully encapsulates the essence of Catholic teachings. Egan, with his extensive theological background, offers readers a spiritual journey through the art of homiletics. Each homily is thoughtfully crafted, reflecting deep insights into scripture while remaining accessible to both clergy and laypeople alike. The book serves not only as a resource for those delivering sermons but also as a source of personal reflection and spiritual growth for any reader seeking a deeper understanding of their faith. What sets this collection apart is Egan's ability to weave contemporary issues with timeless theological truths, making the teachings relevant and impactful in today's world. Whether you are preparing for Sunday mass or seeking personal enlightenment, this book provides a wealth of knowledge and inspiration. Overall, 77 Great Catholic Homilies is a testament to Egan's expertise and passion for Catholicism, making it an invaluable addition to any religious library.

â€”â€” Jonathan Keane (2026-05-30 17:23:37)