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On the Edge of Infinity

2019-03-25

this book tells the story of michael o brien one of the most popular catholic novelists and painters of our times it covers his life from his childhood in the canadian arctic to the crucial decision in 1976 to devote himself wholly to christian sacred arts followed by his inspiration to write fiction and his best selling apocalyptic novel father elijah the story then continues to the present with explorations of o brien s other works o brien s life is one of struggle against all odds to reestablish christian culture in the materialist void created by the modern western world it is a timely reminder of hope in trials and sufferings of endurance during marginalization and poverty this is the first biography of o brien and it also provides an introduction to his novels paintings and essays the author clemens cavallin was granted unrestricted access to michael o brien s personal archive including his diary from the late 1970s until the present day by revealing sides of o brien s interior creative life including mystical experiences spiritual battles and illuminations he has painted a portrait of a contemporary visual and literary artist whose inspiration arises from an intense fusion of imagination and active faith

The Sabbatical

2021-07-29

dr owen whitfield is the elderly oxford professor of history who first appeared in michael o brien s novel the father s tale in the events of the sabbatical which occur sometime later dr whitfield is looking forward to a sabbatical year of peace and quiet gardening in his backyard and tinkering with what he calls his latest unpublishable book as the year begins he is drawn by a series of seeming coincidences into involvement with a group of characters from across europe including a family that has been the target of assassination attempts by unknown powers during his journey to romania the situation in which he finds himself becomes more sinister than it first seemed the story deals with the tension between fatalism and the providential understanding of history with the courage and love that are necessary for navigating through a confusion of signs and with the triumph of faith and reason over the forces of destruction

Eclipse of the Sun

2009-09-03

in this fast paced reflective novel the second in a trilogy following strangers and sojourners michael o brien presents the dramatic tale of a family that finds itself in the path of a totalitarian government set in the near future the story describes the rise of a police state in north america in which every level of society is infected with propaganda confusion and disinformation few people are equipped to recognize what is happening because the culture of the western world has been deformed by a widespread undermining of moral absolutes against this background the delaney family of swiftcreek british columbia is struck a severe blow when the father of the family the editor of a small newspaper which dares to speak the truth is arrested by the dreaded office of internal security his older children flee into the forest of the northern interior accompanied by their great grandfather and an elderly priest father andrei their little brother arrow also becomes a fugitive as the government seeks to remove any witnesses and eradicate all evidence of its ultimate goals as o brien draws together the several strands of the story into a frightening yet moving climax he explores the heart of growing darkness in north america examining events which have already occurred the reader will take away from this disturbing book a number of urgent questions are we living in the decisive moment of history how dire is our situation do we live in pessimistic dread or a christian realism founded on hope this is a tale about the victory of the weak over the powerful courage over terror good over evil and above all the triumph of love

The Art of Michael D. O'Brien

2019

michael o brien has been a professional painter of religious art since 1970 though his reputation as a catholic novelist and essayist began in 1996 and continues on the strength of more than twenty eight published books he is also widely known as a visual artist with his paintings in churches universities and other institutions as well as in public galleries and private collections throughout the world in this book o brien presents and comments on many of his important pieces he explains his development as a religious artist and his philosophy of sacred art the vibrancy originality and variety of his work are on display in more than one hundred twenty full color reproductions of his paintings and byzantine style icons also included are some of his drawings and other works in black and white

The Lighthouse

2020-08-11

ethan mcquarry is a young lighthouse keeper on a tiny island the rugged outcropping of easternmost cape breton island on the atlantic ocean a man without any family he sees himself as a silent vigilant performing his duties courageously year after year with an admirable sense of responsibility he cherishes his solitude and is grateful that his interactions with human beings are rare even so he is haunted by his aloneness in the world and by a feeling that his life is meaningless his courage his integrity his love of the sea and wildlife of practical skills and of learning are in the end not enough he is faced with internal storms and sometimes literal storms of terrifying power from time to time he becomes aware that messengers are sent to him from what he calls the awakeness in existence the listeningness but he cannot at first recognize them as messengers or understand what they might be telling him until he finds himself caught up in catastrophic events and begins to see the mysterious undercurrents of reality and the hidden face of love michael d o brien iconographer painter and writer is the popular author of many best selling novels including father elijah elijah in jerusalem the father s tale eclipse of the sun sophia house theophilos the fool of new york city and island of the world his novels have been translated into twelve languages and widely reviewed in both secular and religious media in north america and europe

Plague Journal

2009-09-03

plague journal is michael o brien s fourth novel in the children of the last days series the central character is nathaniel delaney the editor of a small town newspaper who is about to face the greatest crisis of his life as the novel begins ominous events are taking place throughout north america but little of it surfaces before the public eye set in the not too distant future the story describes a nation that is quietly shifting from a democratic form of government to a form of totalitarianism delaney is one of the few voices left in the media who is willing to speak the whole truth about what is happening and as a result the full force of the government is brought against him thus seeking to protect his children and to salvage what remains of his life he makes a choice that will alter the future of each member of his family and many other people as the story progresses he keeps a journal of observations recording the day by day escalation of events and analyzing the motives of his political opponents with sometimes scathing frankness more importantly he begins to keep a mental record that develops into a painful process of self examination as his world falls apart he is compelled to see in greater depth the significance of his own assumptions and compromises his successes and failures plague journal chronicles the struggle of a thoroughly modern man put to the ultimate spiritual and psychological test a man who in losing himself finds himself

Strangers and Sojourners

2009-09-03

an epic novel set in the rugged interior of british columbia the first volume of a trilogy which traces the lives of four generations of a family of exiles beginning in 1900 and concluding with the climactic events leading up to the millennium the series follows anne and stephen delaney and their descendants as they live through the tumultuous events of this century anne is a highly educated englishwoman who arrives in british columbia at the end of the first world war raised in a family of spiritualists and fabian socialists she has fled civilization in search of adventure she meets and eventually marries a trapper homesteader an irish immigrant who is fleeing the troubles in his own violent past this is a story about the gradual movement of souls from despair and unbelief to faith hope and love about the psychology of perception and about the ultimate questions of life death and the mystery of being interwoven with scenes from ireland england poland russia and belgium during the war strangers and sojourners is a tale of the extraordinary hidden within the ordinary it is about courage and fear and the triumph of the human spirit

Art and Sacrificial Love

2021-07-29

this work is a profound and illuminating conversation between two catholic artists who are also gifted writers the setting is a house in the woods near combermere canada the two men are alone free to explore the wellsprings of christian art and the suffering that its creation entails this moving discussion between the two artists and writers is not theoretical it lays bare the anguish and the joy of a life lived in the service of an artist s vocation includes an eight page art insert

Art and Sacrificial Love

2018

michael o brien presents a thrilling apocalyptic novel about the condition of the roman catholic church at the end of time it explores the state of the modern world and the strengths and weaknesses of the contemporary religious scene by taking his central character father elijah schäfer a carmelite priest on a secret mission for the vatican which embroils him in a series of crises and subterfuges affecting the ultimate destiny of the church father elijah is a convert from judaism a survivor of the holocaust a man once powerful in israel for twenty years he has been buried in the dark night of carmel on the mountain of the prophet elijah the pope and the cardinal secretary of state call him out of obscurity and give him a task of the highest sensitivity to penetrate into the inner circles of a man whom they believe may be the antichrist their purpose to call the man of sin to repentance and thus to postpone the great tribulation long enough to preach the gospel to the whole world in this richly textured tale father elijah crosses europe and the middle east moves through the echelons of world power meets saints and sinners presidents judges mystics embattled catholic journalists faithful priests and a conspiracy of traitors within the very house of god this is an apocalypse in the old literary sense but one that was written in the light of christian revelation

Father Elijah

2009-10-27

cardinal francis xavier nguyen van thuan was a political prisoner of the communist regime in vietnam for thirteen years nine of which he spent in solitary confinement his remarkable faith sustained him during those long years when he would celebrate mass in secret with three drops of wine in the palm of his hand and the host smuggled inside a flashlight by his faithful his spiritual writings penned on the back of old calendars have spread throughout the world inspiring millions road of hope the spiritual journey of cardinal nguyen van thuan is an original salt and light documentary exploring the man and his message this powerful film traces the history of thuan from his privileged upbringing in a powerful political family to decades of war betrayal and suffering all experiences which helped form his singular conviction that love conquers all featuring interviews with those who knew him best never before seen family videos and rare archival footage of thuan sharing his most revealing insights road of hope offers an unprecedented glimpse into the life of a modern day martyr and saint

Island of the World

2010-04

elijah in jerusalem the long awaited sequel to the acclaimed best selling novel father elijah an apocalypse is the continuing story of the priest fr elijah a convert from judaism and a survivor of the holocaust he has for decades been a carmelite monk on the mountain of the prophet elijah in the events of the preceding novel father elijah the central character confronted the president of the european union a man rising toward global control as president of the soon to be realized world government the pope recognized in the president certain qualities that are anti christ and asked fr elijah to call the man to repentance though his attempts at this prove to be unsuccessful in this sequel now bishop elijah accompanied by his fellow monk brother enoch enter jerusalem just as the president arrives in the city to inaugurate a new stage of his rise to power they hope to unmask him as the antichrist prophesied by scripture and to warn the world of the imminent spiritual danger to mankind as the story unfolds people of many kinds meet the undercover priest and in the process their souls are revealed and tested bringing about change for the good or for evil elijah perseveres in his mission even when all seems lost the dramatic climax is surprising yet it underlines that god works all things to the good for those who love him testifying to the truth that in the end wisdom will be justified and satan confounded

Elijah in Jerusalem

2015-10-05

sophia house is set in warsaw during the nazi occupation pawel tarnowski a bookseller gives refuge to david schsfer a jewish youth who has escaped from the ghetto and hides him in the attic of the book shop throughout the winter of 1942 43 haunted by the looming threat of discovery they discuss good and evil sin and redemption literature and philosophy and their respective religious views of reality decades later david becomes a convert to catholicism is the carmelite priest fr elijah schsfer called by the pope to confront the anti christ in michael o brien s best selling novel father elijah an apocalypse in this prequel the author explores the meaning of love religious identity and sacrifice viewed from two distinct perspectives the cast of characters also includes the notorious count smokrev a literate nazi major a french novelist a terrifying polish bear the russian icon painter andrei rublev and pawel s beloved kahlia the elusive figure who moves through the story as an unseen presence as the story unfolds the loss of spiritual fatherhood in late western society is

revealed as a problem of language in the heart and soul and as one of the gravest crises of our times as the author points the way to rediscovery of our father in heaven he also shows us the path to renewal of human fatherhood this is a novel about small choices that shift the balance of the world

Sophia House

2009-09-03

the harry potter series of books and movies are wildly popular many christians see the books as largely if not entirely harmless others regard them as dangerous and misleading in his book a landscape with dragons harry potter critic michael o brien examines contemporary children's literature and finds it spiritually and morally wanting his analysis written before the rise of the popular potter books and films anticipates many of the problems harry potter critics point to a landscape with dragons is a controversial yet thoughtful study of what millions of young people are reading and the possible impact such reading may have on them in this study of the pagan invasion of children's culture o brien the father of six describes his own coming to terms with the effect it has had on his family and on most families in western society his analysis of the degeneration of books films and videos for the young is incisive and detailed yet his approach is not simply critical for he suggests a number of remedies including several tools of discernment for parents and teachers in assessing the moral content and spiritual impact of this insidious revolution in doing so he points the way to rediscovery of time tested sources and to new developments in christian culture if you have ever wondered why a certain children's book or film made you feel uneasy but you couldn't figure out why this book is just what you need this completely revised much expanded second edition also includes a very substantial recommended reading list of over 1 000 books for kindergarten through highschool

A Landscape with Dragons

2011-05-24

set eighty years in the future this novel by the best selling author michael o brien is about an expedition sent from the planet earth to alpha centauri the star closest to our solar system the kosmos a great ship that the central character neil de hoyos describes as a flying city is immense in size and capable of more than half light speed hoyos is a nobel prize winning physicist who has played a major role in designing the ship hoyos has signed on as a passenger because he desires to escape the seemingly benign totalitarian government that controls everything on his home planet he is a skeptical and quirky misanthropic humanist with old tragedies loves and hatreds that are secreted in his memory the surprises that await him on the voyage and its destination will shatter all of his assumptions and point him to a true new horizon science fiction and fantasy literature are genres that have become dominant forces in contemporary worldwide culture our fascination with the near angelic powers of new technology its benefits and dangers its potential for obsession and catastrophe raises vital questions that this work explores about human nature and the cosmos about man s image of himself and where he is going and why he seeks to go there

Voyage to Alpha Centauri

2013-11-04

a modern retelling of the parables the good shepherd and the prodigal son michael o brien canadian bookseller alex graham is a middle age widower whose quiet life is turned upside down when his college age son disappears without any explanation or trace of where he has gone with minimal resources the father begins a long journey that takes him for the first time away from his safe and orderly world as he stumbles across the merest thread of a trail he follows it in blind desperation and is led step by step on an odyssey that takes him to fascinating places and sometimes to frightening people and perils through the uncertainty and the anguish the loss and the longing graham is pulled into conflicts between nations as well as the eternal conflict between good and evil stretched nearly to the breaking point by the inexplicable suffering he witnesses and experiences he discovers unexpected sources of strength as he presses onward in the hope of recovering his son and himself

The Father's Tale

2011-08-31

in this fifth novel in his series children of the last days michael o brien explores the true meaning of poverty of spirit loosely based on the real lives of a number of native north americans a cry of stone is the fictional account of the life of a native artist rose wgbos abandoned as an infant rose is raised by her grandmother oldmary wgbos in the remotest regions of the northern ontario wilderness the story covers a period from 1940 to 1973 chronicling rose s growth to womanhood her discovery of art her moving out into the world of cities and sophisticated cultural circles above all it is the story of a soul who is granted little of human strengths and resources yet who strives to love in all circumstances as she searches for

the ultimate meaning of her life she changes the lives of many people whom she meets along the way o brien takes the reader deep into the heart of a small person there he uncovers the beauty and struggles of a soul who wants only to create to help others to see what she sees the story also explores the complex lies and false images the ambitions and posturing that dominate much of contemporary culture and shows how these have contributed to a loss of our understanding of the sacredness of each human life once again michael o brien beautifully demonstrates that no matter how insignificant a person may be in the world's eyes marvels and mysteries are to be found in everyone his central character rose is among the despised and rejected of the earth yet her life bears witness to the greatness in man and to his eternal destiny

A Cry of Stone

2009-09-03

by the rivers of babylon presents the early life of the prophet ezekiel from his childhood to his service in the temple to the babylonian captivity where he was enslaved among the exiles along the river chebar ezekiel a bricklayer is simple and timid he is not yet a priest and his visions have not yet begun he stands in the midst of the jewish exiles as they struggle to build a town of their own to remain faithful to god s covenant without the temple and to discern the various forces that threaten to divide them and erode their faith all of these experiences flow like streams into ezekiel s later mission to rally his people from inner destruction what makes a prophet why was this man chosen michael o brien offers an intimate glimpse into the mind and heart of a visionary

By the Rivers of Babylon

2022-12-16

st luke addressed his gospel and the acts of the apostles to a man named theophilos who was theophilos scripture scholars do not know making him a fit subject for michael on the price of the imagination in this fictional narrative theophilos is the skeptical but beloved adoptive father of st luke challenged by the startling account of the chroisto received in the chronicle from his beloved son luke and concerned for the newly zealous young mans fate theophilos a greek physician and an agnostic embarks on a search for luke to bring him home he is gravely concerned about the deadly illusions luke has succumbed to regarding the incredible stories surrounding jesus of nazareth a man of contradictions who has caused so much controversy throughout the roman empire thus begins a long journey that will take theophilos deep into the war between nations and empires truth and myth good and evil and into unexpected dimensions of his very self his quest takes the reader into four ancient civilizations the greek roman jewish and that of christianity at its birth where he meets those who knew this man that some believe is the messiah though theophilos is a man of the past ages he is as familiar to us as the men of our own times schooled in the empiricism of both medicine and philosophy theophilos is well suited to speak to our age in which seeing cannot be the basis for faith but rather hearing the witness of those who have been touched by god and opening ourselves to the possibility of an encounter with the living christ this is a story about the mysterious interaction of faith and reason the psychology of perception and the power of love over death

Theophilos

2010-03-12

set in present day manhattan the fool of new york city is the tale of two souls who are considered to be fools and idiots in the eyes of most people they encounter one is a literal giant the other an amnesiac who believes he is the 17th century spanish painter francisco de goya hundreds of years old aging more slowly than the rest of the human race billy the giant has also briefly suffered from amnesia years ago and he understands the anguish of those who have lost their identity he is an apparently simple person a failed basketball player with an enormous good heart who takes francisco under his wing after they meet through a seeming coincidence together they undertake a laborious search to discover francisco s true past the trail leads them to numerous adventures into the shrouded realm of hidden memories the ironies and complexities of human character and destiny of catastrophic evil and of redemption it is a journey into the mysterious dimensions of the mind it is about trauma and remembrance in america

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The Fool of New York City

2016

michael d o brien né en 1948 est considéré comme l un des plus grands romanciers catholiques encore vivants comme celles des maîtres qui l ont inspiré soljenitsyne dostoïevski tolkien chesterton ses oeuvres qui révèlent une culture impressionnante tentent de saisir la condition humaine dans toutes ses dimensions notamment spirituelle en l inscrivant dans une perspective eschatologique par l intermédiaire de l art sacré et de la création littéraire que ce soit d abord la peinture d icônes dont il fait pas à pas l apprentissage puis l écriture de romans o brien n a de cesse d ouvrir les yeux de ses contemporains cela ne va pas sans de nombreux coups du sort doutes et hésitations sur sa foi il a constamment le sentiment d être tiraillé entre les exigences spirituelles de sa vocation et les nécessités matérielles impérieuses de subvenir aux besoins de sa nombreuse famille au delà de ces combats intérieurs qui rendent le personnage attachant et dévoilent par ailleurs un irrésistible sens de l humour le livre brosse un tableau sans concession de l évolution du catholicisme en occident depuis les années 1960 acteur engagé dans tous les grands débats qui traversent l eglise o brien apparaît comme un authentique prophète de son temps



2017-02

between human and divine is the first collection of scholarly essays published on a wide variety of contemporary post 1980 catholic literary works and artists its aim is to introduce readers to recent and emerging writers and texts in the tradition

The Boston Directory

1875

a biographical encyclopedia of american and british christian themed writers from world war ii to the present covering acclaimed literary works and popular evangelical fiction encyclopedia of contemporary christian fiction from c s lewis to left behind spans the entire breadth of christian themed british and american writing from world war ii to the present well known and less familiar authors acclaimed literary novels and popular writing in a variety of genres mysteries thrillers romances works that explore matters of faith works that challenge orthodoxy and church practices and works wholly written by and for devout evangelicals encyclopedia of contemporary christian fiction offers 90 alphabetically organized entries covering the field s most important writers each entry includes a brief biography religious and educational background a survey of major works and themes and a summary of critical response as well as a bibliography of major works and criticism by examining evocative sometimes overlooked christian elements in modern fiction and by exploring the depth and scope of popular evangelical fiction encyclopedia of contemporary christian fiction offers the richest most complete portrait of the role of faith in modern english writing ever published

Michael D O'Brien

2017-11-29

ethan mcquarry es un joven farero en una pequeña isla del extremo de nueva escocia en el océano atlántico sin familia se ve a sí mismo como un vigilante silencioso que cumple su deber año tras año con un admirable sentido de la responsabilidad obsesionado por su soledad se enfrenta a tormentas de un poder aterrador también interiores y recibe esporádicamente a visitantes que cambiarán el curso de su vida y le ayudarán a descubrir la cara oculta del amor

Between Human and Divine

2010

based on a lecture michael do brien gave at the centre for faith and culture oxford this essay traces the long history of mankinds creative imagination throughout millennia of expansion and growth citing examples that range from cave painting to classical sculpture the icon and manuscript illumination to film and contemporary literature the author weaves together his under standing of numerous significant works of art philosophical insights spiritual reflection and personal stories which combined offer a multi dimensional vision of our origin and our future underlying it all is the question of mans nature and what our creative powers reveal about our true identity as children of god obrien proposes that a new iconography is waiting for us one that will be built upon all that the historical imagination has given but reinvigorated by a rejuvenated christian consciousness humility alone will allow us to find again our proper place in the hierarchy of creation in submission to natural and supernatural law he writes to the absolutes in obedience and prayer by opening our interior life and the intellectual life to the full authority of the holy spirit we will germinate a little seed and from it entire forests

can spring and may yet cover the earth

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1901

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2009-09-10

this major authoritative reference work embraces the spectrum of organized political activity in the british isles it includes over 2 500 organizations in 1 700 separate entries arrangement is in 20 main subject sections covering the three main p

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