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*The Ruined House* Wm. B. Eerdmans  
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*A Legacy of Catholic-Jewish Dialogue: The  
 Joseph Cardinal Bernardin Jerusalem  
 Lectures* chronicles the lecture series  
 about faith, culture, and interreligious  
 dialogue. Each lecture is written by some  
 of the world's leading experts in the field  
 of Catholic-Jewish relations.

*Long Night's Journey Into Day* Paulist Press  
 Growing up in an ethnic suburb in  
 Cleveland, Aaron Milavec was an  
 impressionable adolescent whose religious  
 and cultural influences made it natural for  
 him to pity, blame, and despise Jews. All of  
 that began to change in 1955 when Mr.

Martin, a Jewish merchant, hired Milavec  
 as a stock boy. Milavec's initial anxieties  
 over working for a Jew surprisingly gave  
 way to profound personal admiration. This,  
 in turn, plunged Milavec into a troubling  
 theological dilemma: How could God  
 consign Mr. Martin to eternal hellfire due  
 to his ancestral role in the death of Jesus  
 when it was clear that Mr. Martin would  
 not harm me, a Christian, even in small  
 ways? This book is not for the faint-  
 hearted. Most Christians imagine that the  
 poison of anti-Judaism has been largely  
 eliminated. In contrast, Milavec reveals  
 how this poison has gone underground--  
 disfiguring not only the role of Israel in  
 God's plan of salvation but also horribly  
 twisting the faith, the forgiveness, and the  
 salvation that Christians find through Jesus  
 Christ. This painful realization serves as  
 the necessary first step for our healing. At

each step of the way, Milavec's sure hand  
 builds bridges of mutual understanding  
 that enable both Christians and Jews to  
 cross the chasm of distrust and distortion  
 that has infected both church and  
 synagogue over the centuries. In the end,  
 Milavec securely brings his readers to that  
 place where Rabbinic Judaism and  
 Christianity can again be admired as sister  
 religions intimately united to one other in  
 God's drama of salvation.

*Antisemitism in America* Bloomsbury  
 Publishing USA

In 1965 the Second Vatican Council  
 declared that God loves the Jews. Yet the  
 Church had taught for centuries that Jews  
 were cursed by God, and had mostly kept  
 silent as Jews were slaughtered by Nazis.  
 How did an institution whose wisdom is  
 said to be unchanging undertake one of  
 the largest, yet most undiscussed,

ideological swings in modern history?

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Does not address the eventual triumph of both Rabbinic Judaism and Gentile Christianity and the corresponding failure of a more Jewish Christianity. It centers rather on our common root, the Hebrew Bible, and the relationship of the Jewish prophet Jesus of Nazareth to his ancestral heritage. The correspondence between the Biblical notion of justice and Jesus' proclamation of the reign of God raises questions for both Jews and Christians. As such, it also provides a common ground or lens for Jewish-Christian dialogue. The hope is that the focus upon justice will deepen that dialogue.

### **Has God Rejected His People?**

Macmillan + ORM

WINNER OF THE NATIONAL JEWISH BOOK AWARD • The prescient founder of The Free Press delivers an urgent wake-up call to all Americans exposing the alarming rise of anti-Semitism in this country—and explains what we can do to defeat it. “A praiseworthy and concise brief against modern-day anti-Semitism.”—The New York Times On October 27, 2018, eleven Jews were gunned down as they prayed at their synagogue in Pittsburgh. It was the deadliest attack on Jews in American history. For most Americans, the massacre at Tree of Life, the synagogue where Bari Weiss became a bat mitzvah, came as a shock. But anti-Semitism is the oldest hatred, commonplace across the Middle East and on the rise for years in Europe. So that terrible morning in Pittsburgh, as well as the continued surge of hate crimes against Jews in cities and towns across the country, raise a question Americans cannot avoid: Could it happen here? This book is Weiss's answer. Like many, Weiss long believed this country could escape the rising tide of anti-Semitism. With its promise of free speech and religion, its insistence that all people are created equal, its tolerance for difference, and its emphasis on shared ideals rather than bloodlines, America has been, even with all its flaws, a new Jerusalem for the Jewish people. But now the luckiest Jews in history are beginning to face a three-headed dragon known all too well to Jews of other times and places: the physical fear of violent assault, the moral fear of ideological vilification, and the political fear of resurgent fascism and populism. No longer the exclusive province of the far right, the far left, and assorted religious bigots, anti-Semitism now finds a home in identity politics as well as the reaction against identity politics, in the renewal of America First isolationism and the rise of

one-world socialism, and in the spread of Islamist ideas into unlikely places. A hatred that was, until recently, reliably taboo is migrating toward the mainstream, amplified by social media and a culture of conspiracy that threatens us all. Weiss is one of our most provocative writers, and her *cri de coeur* makes a powerful case for renewing Jewish and American values in this uncertain moment. Not just for the sake of America's Jews, but for the sake of America.

### **Agony in the Pulpit** Springer

These essays include writings from Cornel West, Michael Omi, Audre Lorde, Gloria Anzaldua and Michelle Fine. The essays address the multiplicity and scope of oppressions ranging from ableism to racism and other less-well known social aberrations.

### **History as Mystery** New York :

Macmillan

With a new introduction by Aleksandar Hemon In *The Tenants* (1971), Bernard Malamud brought his unerring sense of modern urban life to bear on the conflict between blacks and Jews then inflaming his native Brooklyn. The sole tenant in a rundown tenement, Henry Lesser is struggling to finish a novel, but his solitary pursuit of the sublime grows complicated when Willie Spearmint, a black writer ambivalent toward Jews, moves into the building. Henry and Willie are artistic rivals and unwilling neighbors, and their uneasy peace is disturbed by the presence of Willie's white girlfriend Irene and the landlord Levenspiel's attempts to evict both men and demolish the building. This novel's conflict, current then, is perennial now; it reveals the slippery nature of the human condition, and the human capacity for violence and undoing.

*A Legacy of Catholic-Jewish Dialogue* KTAV Publishing House, Inc.

Based on recently discovered documents, *The Jews Should Keep Quiet* reassesses the hows and whys behind the Franklin D. Roosevelt administration's fateful policies during the Holocaust. Rafael Medoff delves into difficult truths: With FDR's consent, the administration deliberately suppressed European immigration far below the limits set by U.S. law. His administration also refused to admit Jewish refugees to the U.S. Virgin Islands, dismissed proposals to use empty Liberty ships returning from Europe to carry refugees, and rejected pleas to drop bombs on the railways leading to Auschwitz, even while American planes were bombing targets only a few miles away--actions that would not have conflicted with the larger goal of winning the war. What motivated FDR? Medoff explores the sensitive question of the

president's private sentiments toward Jews. Unmasking strong parallels between Roosevelt's statements regarding Jews and Asians, he connects the administration's policies of excluding Jewish refugees and interning Japanese Americans. *The Jews Should Keep Quiet* further reveals how FDR's personal relationship with Rabbi Stephen S. Wise, American Jewry's foremost leader in the 1930s and 1940s, swayed the U.S. response to the Holocaust. Documenting how Roosevelt and others pressured Wise to stifle American Jewish criticism of FDR's policies, Medoff chronicles how and why the American Jewish community largely fell in line with Wise. Ultimately Medoff weighs the administration's realistic options for rescue action, which, if taken, would have saved many lives.

The Anguish of the Jews Global Academic Publishing

As an old proverb puts it, "Two Jews, three opinions." In the long, rich, tumultuous history of the Jewish people, this characteristic contentiousness has often been extended even unto Heaven. Arguing with God is a highly original and utterly absorbing study that skates along the edge of this theological thin ice--at times verging dangerously close to blasphemy--yet also a source of some of the most poignant and deeply soulful expressions of human anguish and yearning. The name Israel literally denotes one who "wrestles with God." And, from Jacob's battle with the angel to Elie Wiesel's haunting questions about the Holocaust that hang in the air like still smoke over our own age, Rabbi Laytner admirably details Judaism's rich and pervasive tradition of calling God to task over human suffering and experienced injustice. It is a tradition that originated in the biblical period itself. Abraham, Moses, Elijah, and others all petitioned for divine intervention in their lives, or appealed forcefully to God to alter His proposed decree. Other biblical arguments focused on personal or communal suffering and anger: Jeremiah, Job, and certain Psalms and Lamentations. Rabbi Laytner delves beneath the surface of these "blasphemies" and reveals how they implicitly helped to refute the claims of opponent religions and advance Jewish doctrines and teachings.

After So Much Pain and Anguish Harvard University Press

The point of this book is simple: to make Christians aware of a story that they have not been told—the story of relations between Christians and Jews. This involves tracing the church's anti-Judaism to its source in the gospels and the Book of Acts and describing the development of the

church's displacement-replacement theology according to which we new Gentiles, spiritual, universal, inclusive Christians replace the old, carnal, ethnocentric legalist and works-righteous Jews in the favor of God. The story also details the actions of the churches, specifically a long chain of canons (laws) governing relations between Jews and Christians, all the way from banning Christians for socializing or dining with Jews, marrying Jews, and asking rabbis for blessings, to requiring all Jews to live in ghettos. This history of actions comes down to the present and its consequences in the Holocaust in which all the killers were Christians and in the Nazi laws governing Jewish behavior. Each such law took its precedent from a canon law passed by a council of the church. The recent rash of bomb threats against Jewish Community Centers and synagogues reminds us of how deeply this bigotry is embedded in people. The point of making people aware of anti-Judaism is to prompt them not to shrug it off when scripture readings regularly teach contempt for Jews with the rhetoric of vilification. Words are important. Teaching contempt should be called out and rejected. This can be done pastorally and gently, but it should be done. Otherwise the church's language reinforces a deeply embedded bigotry. Most Christian pastors are unaware of this reality and prone to thinking that anti-Judaism is not a serious problem for the church. Hence most anti-Judaism in Christian preaching is unintentional. Awareness of the story of Christian anti-Judaism prods us to move from unintentional anti-Judaism to intentional teaching of respect for Jews and Judaism.

#### **The Continuing Agony** BRILL

"A meticulous and shattering investigation of eight horrific pictures..."—L'Arche In December 1941, on a shore near the Latvian city of Liepaja, Nazi death squads (the Einsatzgruppen) and local collaborators murdered in three days more than 2,700 Jews. The majority were women and children, most men having already been shot during the summer. The perpetrators took pictures of the December killings. These pictures are among the rare photographs from the first period of the extermination, during which over 800 000 Jews from the Baltic to the Black Sea were shot to death. By showing the importance of photography in understanding persecution, Nadine Fresco offers a powerful meditation on these images while confronting the essential questions of testimony and guilt. From the forward by Dorota Glowackay: Straddling the boundary between historical inquiry

and personal reflection, this extraordinary text unfolds as a series of encounters with eponymic Holocaust photographs. Although only a small number of photographs are reproduced here, Fresco provides evocative descriptions of many well-known images: synagogues and Torah scrolls burning on the night of Kristallnacht; deportations to the ghettos and the camps; and, finally, mass executions in the killing fields of Eastern Europe. The unique set of photographs included in *On the Death of Jews* shows groups of women and children from Liepaja (Liepāja), shortly before they were killed in December 1941 in the dunes of Shkede (Škéde) on the Baltic Sea. In the last photograph of the series, we see the victims' bodies tumbling into the pit.

**Universal History - 1967** Argo Books From generation to generation, three outstanding American Jewish directors—William Wyler, Sidney Lumet, and Steven Spielberg—advance a tradition of Jewish writers, artists, and leaders who propagate the ethical basis of the American Idea and Creed. They strive to renew the American spirit by insisting that America must live up to its values and ideals. These directors accentuate the ethical responsibility for the other as a basis of the American soul and a source for strengthening American liberal democracy. In the manner of the jeremiad, their films challenge America to achieve a liberal democratic culture for all people by becoming more inclusive and by modernizing the American Idea. Following an introduction that relates aspects of modern ethical thought to the search for America's soul, the book divides into three sections. The Wyler section focuses on the director's social vision of a changing America. The Lumet section views his films as dramatizing Lumet's dynamic and aggressive social and ethical conscience. The Spielberg section tracks his films as a movement toward American redemption and renewal that aspires to realize Lincoln's vision of America as the hope of the world. The directors, among many others, perpetuate a "New Covenant" that advocates change and renewal in the American experience.

*God and Humanity in Auschwitz* Crown Days of Sorrow and Pain, winner of the 1979 Pulitzer Prize in Biography, tells the story of Germany's Jews under the Nazis and of one man's valiant efforts to help them meet the horrors of the Hitler regime. Leonard Baker explores the disintegration of German society, the plight of German Jews and the philosophy of Leo Baeck which enabled him to guide his people in their struggle for survival.

After Hitler came to power, German Jews formed the Reichsvertretung with Leo Baeck at its head. As Berlin's leading Rabbi and one of the foremost Jewish theologians in the world, Baeck was the rallying point for all Jewish factions. He dealt secretly with emissaries from abroad to arrange for Jews to emigrate and saw to it that Jewish children received a religious education. Young men were trained for the rabbinate in Berlin as late as 1942. Leo Baeck chose to remain in Germany as long as there were still Jews there. He was arrested five times, once after writing a prayer to be read in all German synagogues reminding Jews that even "in this day of sorrow and pain," they bowed only before God and never before man. After his last arrest in 1943 at the age of 69, Rabbi Baeck was sent to Theresienstadt where he hauled trash carts by day, and organized educational programs for his fellow inmates at night, consoling them, becoming one of their strengths. After the war, having survived the Holocaust, Baeck never sought revenge, but worked for reconciliation between Germans and Jews. He became a world leader of liberal Judaism and never doubted the ultimate triumph of good over evil nor underestimated the responsibility of the individual to bring about that triumph. "Only now, more than twenty years after Baeck's death, has Leonard Baker, a writer on American political history, given us a full life story. Drawing on nearly a hundred interviews with persons who knew Baeck and supplementing these with a rich variety of printed and archival sources, he has succeeded in fashioning an intriguing portrait of the rabbi-scholar called upon to assume leadership in a time of crisis. The inherent drama of the subject together with Baker's practiced writing skill has made for a book of broad popular interest. It has even been awarded the Pulitzer Prize for biography." — Michael A. Meyer, *American Jewish History* "There are several outstanding reasons why this book was awarded the Pulitzer Prize in biography. The evidence of extensive research and scholarship exists in one of the most complete oral and written bibliographies that is presently available on contemporary German Jewry. Baker's writing style, journalistic at times, is free from conventional pedantry, but is satisfying enough for even the most stodgy academe. Furthermore, the historical flow of the text leaves little doubt that this is one serious author... Rabbi Baeck is shown as both the German as a Jew and the Jew as a German. Writing with an obvious appreciation for the role of



the Jews in modern German history, Baker explains Baeck in the context of Reform Judaism..." — Michael W. Rubinoff, German Studies Review "Baker has written a marvelous account of Baeck's long and remarkable life." — Lew's Author Blog "Baker tells Baeck's story in relation to the history of the German Jews down to his death as an expatriate in England in the 1950s... Baker's narrative is scholarly and simple in tone, as it should be; and although chiefly a study in Jewish history, it is also a study in historical tragedy and moral will..." — Kirkus Reviews

Exegeting the Jews: The Early Reception of the Johannine "Jews" Plunkett Lake Press

This volume offers a comprehensive overview of international political violence by bringing together foreign policy experts on several regions who examine conflicts in the Fertile Crescent, the Balkans, the Post-Soviet Region, the Himalayas, Southeast Asia, and sub-Saharan Africa. With cogent assessments of civil conflicts that threaten to be part of a 'global jihad', each chapter both dissects the historical roots and socio-economic causes that catalyze terrorism in those areas, as well as posits ways for the United States to meet the myriad of foreign policy challenges posed by the growing threat of contemporary international terrorism.

*From Enemy to Brother* Paulist Press

This book presents a fresh approach to the question of the historical continuities and discontinuities of Jew-hatred, juxtaposing chapters dealing with the same phenomenon – one in the pre-modern, one in the modern period. How do the circumstances of interreligious violence differ in pre-Reformation Europe, the modern Muslim world, and the modern Western world? In addition to the diachronic comparison, most chapters deal with the significance of religion for the formation of anti-Jewish stereotypes. The direct dialogue of small-scale studies bridging the chronological gap brings out important nuances: anti-Zionist texts appropriating medieval ritual murder accusations; modern-day pogroms triggered by contemporary events but fuelled by medieval prejudices; and contemporary stickers drawing upon long-inherited knowledge about what a "Jew" looks like. These interconnections, however, differ from the often-assumed straightforward continuities between medieval and modern anti-Jewish hatred. The book brings together many of the most distinguished scholars of this field, creating a unique dialogue between historical periods and academic disciplines.

Readings for Diversity and Social Justice U

of Nebraska Press

A sweeping, powerful story about a mother's love for her child that will take you through a world war and across a continent... \*\*\*\* On the cusp of World War II, a young mother is faced with an impossible choice. Vera is a Russian Jewish émigré to France, newly wed - but her marriage cannot protect her or her four-year-old-daughter, Lucie, once the Nazis occupy the country. After receiving notice that all foreigners must report to an internment camp, Vera must decide: does she subject Lucie to the horrid conditions of the camp, or put Lucie into hiding with her beloved and trusted governess, safe until Vera can retrieve her? Surely the war will end soon... And so begins a heartbreaking journey and separation . . . and an unpredictable fate for a mother and her daughter. \*\*\*\* Praise for Those Who Are Saved: 'A profound and engaging story... I loved it' Paulette Jiles, author of National Book Award finalist *News of the World* 'With poetic, mesmerizing prose, Alexis Landau creates a heartrending story of the unbreakable bond of maternal love... This gripping and compassionate novel continues to haunt me' Lauren Belfer, New York Times bestselling author of *And After the Fire*, recipient of the National Jewish Book Award 'Those Who Are Saved is an achingly beautiful epic about love's endurance... Alexis Landau is an amazing storyteller and her novel will whisper to you long after you finish' Devin Murphy, author of *The Boat Runner* 'Those Who Are Saved is a gorgeously written, emotional novel about the unshakable bonds of mothers and daughters, even in the darkest times... An unforgettable story of heartbreak, but ultimately of hope, resilience, and love - I could not put this book down!' Jillian Cantor, USA Today bestselling author of *In Another Time* and *Half Life* 'A stunning tale of indestructible love, of sacrifice and faith, and of one woman's fierce determination... this gem of a novel has everything that I love in historical fiction, and it is one of the best I've read this year.' Roxanne Veletzos, bestselling author of *The Girl They Left Behind* \*\*\*\* Praise for Alexis Landau's first novel, *Empire of the Senses*: 'A fresh and moving perspective on a piece of history we thought we already knew.' Christina Baker Kline, author of *Orphan Train* 'Stunning... Elegantly crafted and psychologically astute.' San Francisco Chronicle 'A sweeping family epic. . . Internal dramas mirror the turbulent cultural landscape of 1920s Germany.' Los Angeles Magazine

**People Love Dead Jews: Reports from a Haunted Present** Taylor & Francis

The idea for this book arose out of the author's fifteen years of sustained engagement in Jewish-Christian relations. His purpose here is to speak about the practice of religious education in the church in which anti-Judaism is eliminated. O'Hare focuses on "the holiness of the religious community" which, he notes, can develop along triumphal, absolute, and exclusive lines. He suggests instead that "every time we unearth a defensive and xenophobic practice or pattern of speech in our religion and set it aside, we are doing something that adds to the health of our religious community, to its capacity to assist people to become holy." Chapter 1 surveys what philosopher Jules Isaac calls the history of the "teaching of contempt"; chapter 2 deals with genuine religious pluralism and dialogue; chapter 3 is a short "Christology" devoid of triumphalism and exclusivism; chapter 4 focuses on religious education and its purpose to form holy people; chapter 5 is an appreciation of "the genius of Judaism," its world view and life; chapter 6 focuses on practice, including elements of a paradigm shift in religious education, principles for such practice, and select examples of programs of religious education for interreligious reverence, especially between Jews and Christians. Padraic O'Hare teaches in the Religious Studies Department of Merrimack College, North Andover, MA, and is the author of *The Way of Faithfulness: Contemplation and Formation in the Church*, also published by Trinity Press.

**A House Divided** Liturgical Press

Winner of the 2021 National Jewish Book Award for Contemporary Jewish Life and Practice Finalist for the 2021 Kirkus Prize in Nonfiction A New York Times Notable Book of the Year A Wall Street Journal, Chicago Public Library, Publishers Weekly, and Kirkus Reviews Best Book of the Year A startling and profound exploration of how Jewish history is exploited to comfort the living. Renowned and beloved as a prizewinning novelist, Dara Horn has also been publishing penetrating essays since she was a teenager. Often asked by major publications to write on subjects related to Jewish culture—and increasingly in response to a recent wave of deadly antisemitic attacks—Horn was troubled to realize what all of these assignments had in common: she was being asked to write about dead Jews, never about living ones. In these essays, Horn reflects on subjects as far-flung as the international veneration of Anne Frank, the mythology that Jewish family names were changed at Ellis Island, the blockbuster traveling exhibition Auschwitz, the marketing of the Jewish

history of Harbin, China, and the little-known life of the "righteous Gentile" Varian Fry. Throughout, she challenges us to confront the reasons why there might be so much fascination with Jewish deaths, and so little respect for Jewish lives unfolding in the present. Horn draws upon her travels, her research, and also her own family life—trying to explain Shakespeare's Shylock to a curious ten-year-old, her anger when swastikas are drawn on desks in her children's school, the profound perspective offered by traditional religious practice and study—to assert the vitality, complexity, and depth of Jewish life against an antisemitism that, far from being disarmed by the mantra of "Never forget," is on the rise. As Horn explores the (not so) shocking attacks on the American Jewish community in recent years, she reveals the subtler dehumanization built into the public piety that surrounds the Jewish past—making the radical argument that the benign reverence we give to past horrors is itself a profound affront to human dignity.

[The Anguish of the Jews: Twenty-three Centuries of Anti-Semitism](#) Psychology Press

"In *The Ruined House* a 'small harmless modicum of vanity' turns into an apocalyptic bonfire. Shot through with humor and mystery and insight, Ruby Namdar's wonderful first novel examines how the real and the unreal merge. It's a daring study of madness, masculinity,

myth-making and the human fragility that emerges in the mix." —Colum McCann, National Book Award-winning author of *Let the Great World Spin* Winner of the Sapir Prize, Israel's highest literary award Picking up the mantle of legendary authors such as Saul Bellow and Philip Roth, an exquisite literary talent makes his debut with a nuanced and provocative tale of materialism, tradition, faith, and the search for meaning in contemporary American life. Andrew P. Cohen, a professor of comparative culture at New York University, is at the zenith of his life. Adored by his classes and published in prestigious literary magazines, he is about to receive a coveted promotion—the crowning achievement of an enviable career. He is on excellent terms with Linda, his ex-wife, and his two grown children admire and adore him. His girlfriend, Ann Lee, a former student half his age, offers lively companionship. A man of elevated taste, education, and culture, he is a model of urbanity and success. But the manicured surface of his world begins to crack when he is visited by a series of strange and inexplicable visions involving an ancient religious ritual that will upend his comfortable life. Beautiful, mesmerizing, and unsettling, *The Ruined House* unfolds over the course of one year, as Andrew's world unravels and he is forced to question all his beliefs. Ruby Namdar's brilliant novel embraces the themes of the American Jewish literary canon as it captures the privilege and

pedantry of New York intellectual life in the opening years of the twenty-first century.

**Why the Jews?** Berghahn Books

In a lively challenge to mainstream history, Michael Parenti does battle with a number of mass-marketed historical myths. He shows how history's victors distort and suppress the documentary record in order to perpetuate their power and privilege. And he demonstrates how historians are influenced by the professional and class environment in which they work. Pursuing themes ranging from antiquity to modern times, from the Inquisition and Joan of Arc to the anti-labor bias of present-day history books, *History as Mystery* demonstrates how past and present can inform each other and how history can be a truly exciting and engaging subject. "Michael Parenti, always provocative and eloquent, gives us a lively as well as valuable critique of orthodoxy posing as 'history.'" —Howard Zinn, author of *A People's History of the United States* "Deserves to become an instant classic." —Bertell Ollman, author of *Dialectical Investigations* "Those who keep secret the past, and lie about it, condemn us to repeat it. Michael Parenti unveils the history of falsified history, from the early Christian church to the present: a fascinating, darkly revelatory tale." —Daniel Ellsberg, author of *The Pentagon Papers* "Solid if surely controversial stuff." —Kirkus

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