

celebration of which both the royal/baptismal and ministerial priesthoods have their “vital nucleus” (75). The book nicely handles the complementarity between these forms of Christ’s one priesthood, such that, in the Eucharist, the faithful as a whole “enter into the very dynamic of [Christ’s] self-giving” (150). G. describes wisely and well the bonds that should unite priests with one another and with their bishop. Rejoicing in the Lord, the priest “must keep heaven open for human beings” (232).

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Pope Francis and the Future of Catholicism in the United States: The Challenge of Becoming a Church for the Poor. Edited by Erin Brigham, Dave E. DeCosse, and Michael Duffy. Joyce and Ralph Lane Center for Catholic Studies and Social Thought. San Francisco: University of San Francisco, 2016. Pp 124. \$12.95.

A popular expression of the influence of the current pope is to speak of the “Francis effect.” Just what impact is the first non-European and first Jesuit pontiff having on the traditional teaching, social message, pastoral practice, and political influence of the Roman Catholic Church? One year into the pontificate of Pope Francis, the Lane Center of the University of San Francisco pulled together 20 scholars and social activists to reflect on the unfolding potential consequences of Francis’s message with its unique style and popular appeal.

Stimulated by a provocative *America* magazine article by California Bishop Robert W. McElroy, “A Church for the Poor,” 13 short articles explore the theological foundation and pastoral consequences of the future of Catholicism in the United States as it faces Francis’s “challenge of becoming a Church for the poor.” McElroy, writing within the first year of the Jesuit pope’s service to the universal church, emphasized the need to transform the existing Catholic political conversation in the United States, prioritizing the issue of poverty, the emphasis on structural sin, and the need for acting with prudence in applying the church’s social teaching.

The focus of articles coming from the Lane Center’s conference reflect the expertise and experience of the authors’ engagement with current socioeconomic and political issues. William O’Neill, SJ, clarifies the importance to be placed politically on “intrinsic evils” such as abortion, cautioning against an overemphasis or exclusive focus. Lisa Fullam explores the pastoral challenge of insufficient attention paid to the fact that the poor are disproportionately women and their dependent children, with a challenging critique of Francis’s failure to offer a deeper analysis of women’s societal and ecclesial roles.

Confronting an “economy of exclusion” and calling for more emphasis on social solidarity are themes developed by John Baumann, SJ, and Joseph Fleming, two long-time community organizers. Other topics explored include greater inclusiveness of the LGBT community and promotion of a missionary discipleship.

As a brief and yet scholarly and challenging set of essays, this book will help in understanding and promotion of Pope Francis's impact—potential and hopeful—on the mission of the US Catholic Church.

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Connected toward Communion: The Church and Social Communication in the Digital Age. By Daniella Zsupan-Jerome. Collegeville, MN: Liturgical, 2014. Pp. xv + 139. \$17.95.

In 1963 when Vatican II released its pastoral instruction on the “means of social communication,” *Inter Mirifica*, secular and church media professionals in radio, TV, and film were among its target audiences. A 1971 pastoral instruction on social communications, *Communio et Progressio*, called for these professionals to take as their model the Perfect Communicator, Christ (CP 11). It called for all ministers-in-training to receive formation in the production of social communication, so that they could skillfully use communication to foster communion. Too few did. Fast forward to today's participatory culture of the twenty-first century when anyone with a smart phone can create photographs, video, and text and then instantly share it via social media. Today the communication of the Good News rests in the hands and digital devices—not only those of professional communicators, but also of ordinary people, the baptized. Zsupan-Jerome, a professor at Loyola University New Orleans, addresses this massive shift in her excellent award-winning book. Chapter by chapter, she gives readers an introduction to and a summary of key Roman Catholic teachings on social communications. Having provided this foundation, she then pivots to laying out the ecclesial challenges and opportunities of evangelization in today's Internet-connected digital culture. She points to how the church's theology of social communication has evolved and is relevant for today's conversations about communications, regardless of the medium. Unfortunately, in its evangelization efforts, the church at the local level has hardly tapped the potential of today's participatory culture. Because this book so engagingly deals with the complex matrix of communication in our digital age, this very accessible book should be required reading for all of today's ministers-in-training and pastoral leaders.

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Vying for Allah's Vote: Understanding Islamic Parties, Political Violence, and Extremism in Pakistan. By Haroon K. Ullah. Washington: Georgetown University, 2014. Pp. xiii + 251. \$27.95.

Since its creation in 1947, Pakistan has embodied the intertwined nature of religion and politics. Great Britain had developed the concept of a partitioned subcontinent in