

Book review of *church of spies--the pope's secret war against Hitler*

Opinion

Book Review of *Church of Spies--the Pope's Secret War Against Hitler* by Mark Riebling (2015) Basic Books, New York, USA, pp. 375.

After finishing this book, I began to pray: "Pope Pius XII, patron saint-to-be of *tyrannicide and rescuers from government oppression*, rescue me!" followed by an Our Father, a Hail Mary, and the Glory Be (The last prayer I realized in prison, was the most concise direct adoration prayer to God ever possible). Of course, I am hoping for a miracle to help beautify Pope Pius XII!

This book confirmed my own writings on behalf of Pope Pius XII and completely rebuts the many criticisms of the Pope for "not speaking out on behalf of the Jews against the Nazis." All those degrading books can now best be used for barbecuing.

Basically, Hitler's brutal hatred against the Church needed a glaring incident of *overt condemnation of Nazism by the Pope* so he "could crush the Church like a toad" (p 62) in "justified" retaliation. Cold blooded massacres of the Vatican and all in the Roman Church, as in Poland and elsewhere, were divinely prevented, given Hitler's millions of demon possessed government gangsters, because Hitler needed a loud-mouthed stupid Pope to discredit and thereby "appease" the minds of the millions of Catholics under Nazi dictate (which is what even contemporary anti-Catholics always try to do, i.e., always badmouth the Pope). Without a flagrant excuse, a cold-blooded Bolshevik-like massacre of the Vatican by the Nazis would not occur enabling the Church "to operate through secret intercession (page 169)" and provide many rescues:

During the German occupation, the SS had arrested 1,007 Roman Jews and sent them to Auschwitz. Fifteen survived. Pius said nothing publicly about the deportations. Over the same period, 477 Jews had hidden in Vatican City, and 4,238 received sanctuary in Roman monasteries and convents (page 185).

No doubt, all would have been lost had the Pope spoken his mind to impose a righteous self-image as unjustly demanded retrospectively by Nazi imitators of today.

Totally amazing in the book is the "spy" network needed to coordinate the plans to kill Hitler. The German generals and colleagues would not proceed without agreement that London and America would accept them and mutually declare peace. Only in the Vatican with papal supervision could the reciprocating communications occur.

Schizophrenia reigned throughout: The hesitating Protestants among the German plotters echoed Luther: "I would rather suffer a prince doing wrong than a people doing right" and "Disobedience is a greater sin than murder" (page 69); this was countered by Catholic St. Thomas Aquinas and tyrannicide sometimes being necessary, so..."the plotters looked to Rome for moral sanction, and found in lay Catholics their triggermen" (page 69). The Pope concurred as pope and not as the Holy See. The beginnings of the spy network

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began by activating and expanding Guglielmo Marconi's (inventor of the radio) hardwiring of the Holy See in the 1930s (page 12). Some Protestants even converted. "Mussolini had fallen...the first coup (p 170)" and Hitler rages to retaliate. Fearing discovery, Jewish rescue groups would not help "Catholics of Jewish descent", while, at the same time, "...the Vatican diverted 'very large amounts of American currency' from its banks to help Jews escape Europe..." (page 168). Bombs did not explode. "...Pius described how a nuclear explosion might occur--going into such detail that his prescience attracted the astonished notice of both Hartl's SS Church unit and the British Secret Service (page 147)". "Schizophrenic" refragability affected all. More and more--The stories are pure intrigue: bewildering, evoking tears, anger, congratulations, admiration, despair and prayers over and over. The Pope's code-name: "Chief", could order no one, and he cried tear-flooded openly like a child at times.

The individuals and their stories in this book prove truth is more amazing than fiction and disprove the hate-filled fabrications of current satanic anti-Catholic ILLs: Incurable Liberal Loons--the New York Times, the Washington Post, the Los Angeles Times, Hollywood, Holocausto-maniacs, the ACLU, Islam, abortionists, the gay cult, and other scribes, Pharisees, and Herodians, all of whom frequently come to mind as one reads today contemporary copycats imposing an industrial celebrity government based genocidal anti-Catholicism just as the Nazis did. One is reminded that the Church Fathers needed their "Way of Secrecy" to survive as a clandestine movement in Rome several millenia ago (page 41). The Lovevolution of the Roman Catholic Church is always hated by criminal close-minded know-it-all gangmembers sleepwalking with Hitler and always the Church may be identified as the perpetual eternal target of satan, demons and all forms of *evil*-- which is *the willful creation of non-being*--a phenomenon almost innate in all who criticized Pope Pius XII. The Church is the Spiritual Cosmos, Living Humanity, a Civilization of Love, Transcendental Being, and hated for it.

The *Church of Spies* is required reading in every study of the history of World War II and in all corrective efforts for bigotry

and discrimination. Pope Pius XII must become the patron saint of tyrannicide and rescuers from government oppression.

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