



## An Ordinary Catholic: A View from the Pew (Paperback)

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By MR Thomas Arthur Nelson

Createspace Independent Publishing Platform, United States, 2012. Paperback. Condition: New. Language: English. Brand new Book. Book Description: An Ordinary Catholic Millions of ordinary Catholics are leaving their Church, expressing final frustration over reforms that never come. An Ordinary Catholic is a memoir style essay by a Catholic-educated layman whose life experiences provide a convincing background and perspective for a reform of his Church that will resonate with many. Relating his life experiences, Nelson provides strong arguments against some very traditional Catholic doctrine and he touches on many of the issues being debated today, both inside and outside of his Church. His recounting of five paranormal spiritual encounters suggests he is not as ordinary as he claims. As a University of Notre Dame graduate and father of a large family, including a gay son, Nelson speaks with the authority of one who has "been there, done that." He expresses some unique insights into human sexuality that reflect a different perspective from that of his Church. He posits that the sexual abuse scandal stems from a celibate leadership which has cast sexuality as a virtual necessary evil, antithetical to spiritual perfection, and thus they are unable to fully comprehend everyday real life...



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