

EXPLORING DOROTHY DAY'S SPIRITUALITY: "BENEDICTINE INFLUENCES"

- What is it about Benedictine spirituality that attracted Peter Maurin and Dorothy Day?
- Which Benedictines were their friends and how did they impact the Catholic Worker Movement?
- Why might Dorothy Day have chosen to become an oblate of St. Procopius Abbey?



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PRESENTATION OUTLINE

Prologue: A Unique Path to Catholicism

Early Benedictine Encounters

Predisposition: Work as Sacred

Predisposition: First Encounters with Catholic Ritual

Predisposition: Mystical Body Theology

Predisposition: The Missal as Companion at Mass

Predisposition: Praying the Psalms

Predisposition: Community and Hospitality

Key Predispositions Considered

Peter Maurin: The Joy of Benedictine Spirituality

***The Catholic Worker*: Popularizing a Spirituality of Renewal and Radical Inclusivity**

"Pray and Work": The Catholic Worker Community and the Mystical Body Conclusion

Books referenced during the presentation

"The Oblate" a novel by Joris-Karl Huysmans, 1903

"The Spirit of Catholicism" by Karl Adam, 1935

"The Saint Andrew Daily Missal" by Dom Gaspar Lefebvre, OSB

Books referenced during the Q&A

"Thomas Merton: An Introduction" by William H. Shannon, 2005

"The Varieties of Religious Experience: A Study in Human Nature" by William James, 1902

"Searching For Christ: The Spirituality of Dorothy Day" by Sr. Brigid O'Shea Merriman, OSF 1994

"The Catholic Worker Movement: Intellectual and Spiritual Origins" by Mark and Louis Zwick, 2005

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