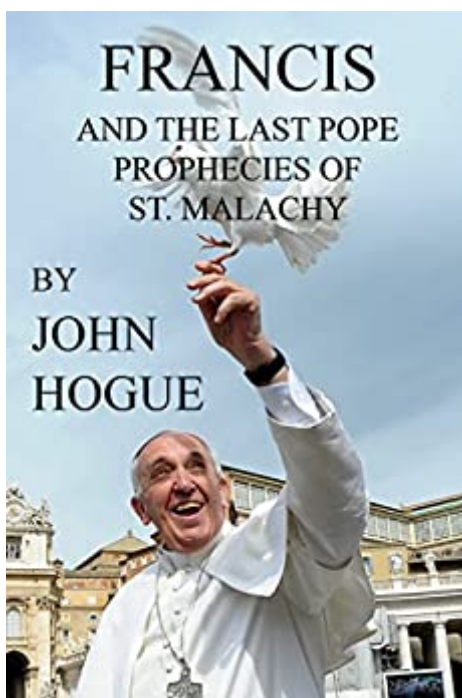


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# Francis And The Last Pope Prophecies Of St. Malachy



## Synopsis

In 1139 St. Malachy set out from Ireland on a harrowing pilgrimage to Rome, upon sighting the Eternal City he fell to the ground and began murmuring Latin verses, each signifying the future destiny of the popes. His words were suppressed for over three hundred years by the Roman Catholic Church, yet to this day 90 percent of the saint's prophecies have come true unfolding in chronological sequence in 111 Medieval Latin mottoes, and a final coda, that together hide clues identifying the succession of 112 Pontiffs up to Judgment Day. Pope Francis is the "Last Pope."

John Hogue, noted Nostradamus and prophecy expert and author of the first major work on St. Malachy's prophecies "The Last Pope: The Decline and Fall of the Church of Rome" (1998), distills this fascinating subject down to the essentials in a quick, yet comprehensive, read focusing primarily on the last 36 pontiffs on the list. These are the men who would be Vicars of Christ foretold after St. Malachy's papal prophecies were rediscovered and published in the mid-1590s. Up to that point all the preceding 76 mottoes had an unheard of 100 percent accuracy, leading Hogue to suggest these were not written by St. Malachy but recorded by someone from the 1590s hiding behind a saintly pseudonym. Hogue explains that all credibility for any list of fake prophecies plummets because forecasts published "after" the event are always perfect while those awaiting fulfillment in the future have an accuracy average often far below mere chance. Though no longer 100 percent on the mark, the 36 mottoes foretelling the fates of pontiffs after the mid-1590s leading up to the current reign of Pope Francis remain remarkably accurate. They are 80-to-90 percent and become clearer as the list counts down to the final pontiffs overseeing the Holy Roman Catholic Church in the turbulent to potentially apocalyptic twentieth and twenty-first centuries. John Hogue presents a fascinating account of the fates of these popes. His masterly work uncovers the truth about St. Malachy's prophecies and reveals their significance as a chronicle of the papal progression, which Vatican policy-makers have found too threatening to acknowledge.

I have known John Hogue for fifteen years, during which time he has appeared on my radio program many, many times. Every year, he predicts on the program in the first quarter and we "hold his feet to the fire" during the summer. And every year, he proves to be fireproof. He's accurate. Uncannily accurate.

Whitley Strieber, author of "Communion" and "The Coming Global Superstorm" with Art Bell John Hogue is author of 600 articles and 33 published books (1,170,000 copies sold) spanning 20 languages. He has predicted the winner of every US Presidential Election since 1968, giving him a remarkable 12 and 0 batting average. Hogue is a world-renowned expert on the prophecies of Nostradamus and other prophetic traditions. He claims to focus on interpreting the world's ancient-to-modern prophets and prophecies with

fresh eyes, seeking to connect readers with the shared and collective visions of terror, wonder and revelation about the future in a conversational narrative style. Hogue says the future is a temporal echo of actions initiated today. He strives to take readers back to the present • empowering them to create a better destiny through accessing the untapped potentials of free will and meditation.

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## **Customer Reviews**

Having been raised Catholic and having attended 12 years of Catholic school, I do not remember being taught anything about the Popes during my school years 1955-1967. I do remember memorizing a catechism without having the faintest idea what anything really meant. However, looking back, the Catholic Church did prepare me to discover my own personal INNER JOURNEY to find God. This was thanks to every GOOD FRIDAY when I observed three hours of silence in the solitude of my darkened church save for the flickering votive candles. Those three hours were mine

with God as nobody would dare speak or disturb another's religious reverie. All of that changed when I graduated into a world no longer shielded by priests, nuns and friends who all thought the same as I did. Life soon took me into a new direction. Even though I am now I am of a non-denominational belief system, when I saw newly elected Pope Francis make his first appearance, I didn't see a Catholic Pope - I saw a very special person, who gave off a very UNIQUE energy, so much so that I knew I was going to keep an eye on what he had to say in the future. I didn't feel he was elected Pope to just serve Catholics - he felt more Universal to me - much like the first time I was introduced to Buddhism and heard the Dalai Lama speak. -- Fast Forward to why I highly recommend this book! When I caught Pope Francis on tv meeting with the President and Congress, I was hooked. I did not turn off CNN until the Pope's plane left for Rome! Tears would stream down my face whenever that man smiled or interacted with the people! Once again, I didn't see him as a Pope - I just saw this incredible human being who exuded such beauty that I wanted to be a better person! However, with these unexplainable tears came unsettled feelings of fear where I knew I wanted to pray for this man before he even requested everyone pray for him. Throughout the Pope's visit, I kept wondering if John Hogue was watching and what was he thinking! Not soon after the Pope departed, I saw John's newest ebook appear with Pope Francis on the cover! Incredible timing! -- As much as I wanted to jump straight to the chapters about Pope Francis, I'm glad I didn't do that. The first five chapters were a history lesson about the Popes that I never received all those years in Catholic school. I found myself agreeing with many things John wrote, while knowing that others of my birth faith might not be too happy to read what was on some of those pages. It is why I find that an OPEN MIND is so important when reading whatever John writes! From Chapter Six to the end, I became transported. For me, this is where writings of the Pope prophecies by St. Malachy or possibly by others ended, and it is where John Hogue begins - flesh and blood John Hogue, who is fearless when it comes to sharing what comes from WITHIN him! I will read and reread those chapters many times because they resonated so strongly with me!!!! -- As always, I appreciate that John does all that he does to share his gifts with us - while being a full time caregiver to his beautiful mother and being given the same 24 hours in a day as the rest of us! THANK YOU, JOHN!

Will Pope Francis be the final pope? Will the years of his pontificate be the years of tribulation that lead to the Apocalypse and God's final judgement of humanity? Those are the questions addressed by prophecy scholar John Hogue in his book: Francis and the Last Pope Prophecies of St. Malachy. This book is a primer on evaluating the St. Malachy Prophecies that count down the popes to the

Apocalypse. In it, Mr. Hogue also points out the controversies and contradictions of the Roman Catholic Church, the pageantry and ritual of the pope selection process, and the portents that accompanied that process for the current Pope Francis (formally Cardinal Jorge Bergoglio). He also points out how many of our ideas about Jesus and Christianity (the virgin birth, a bearded Jesus, celibacy for priests, even the resurrection) are the results of the "Romanization" of Christianity. This is interesting material in itself and it provides a context for the St. Malachy material that should help the discerning reader decide whether Pope Francis is indeed the last pope before the End Times kick in. Mr. Hogue's book examines an old document of "111 mysterious Latin mottoes followed by an apocalyptic coda forecasting the succession of popes unto Judgment Day." Legend says it was produced from the ecstatic utterances of St. Malachy (an Irish Prelate) around 1140 when he arrived at Rome at the end of a pilgrimage. Malachy gave his prophecies to the pope of that time, Innocent II, who then stored them in the Vatican vaults where they stayed until they were rediscovered in the late 16th century. Mr. Hogue points out that the first 76 mottoes are 100 percent accurate in describing those popes before 1595. He believes these were written after the fact, "sometime after 1557." That makes the remaining 35 mottoes to be actual attempts at foretelling the future, and as such, they are remarkable. Mr. Hogue judges them to have a "success rate" of about 89 percent at identifying future popes (relative to 1557 or so). St. Malachy's (or whomever's) mottoes are just that--short phrases seldom more than three words in length. For example, #79 reads in English, "A Perverse People" and #83 reads, "Guardian of the Mountains." Each is supposed to identify the specific pope for that point in the succession of popes from St. Peter (although whether #1 actually identifies St. Peter, the disciple of Christ, is not noted). The identification of a given pope is derived from the associated motto by considering 11 prophetic clues. One or more of them should work to explain how the motto uniquely fits the man elected pope. Mr. Hogue explains this process in chapters Two and Four. In chapter Two, Mr. Hogue lists the prophetic clues and gives examples of how they work with the mottoes to identify popes. In Chapter Four, he takes each of the 35 genuinely prophetic mottoes, starting with #77 ("A Roman Cross" identifying Clement VIII 1592-1605), and describes how they identify (a hit) or fail to identify (a miss) the associated pope. He goes all the way to #111 ("From the Glory of the Olive" identifying Benedict XVI 2005-?). The last motto is actually a paragraph coda that identifies the final pope. These chapters make for a compelling read. Mr. Hogue's knowledge of prophecy, history, and Latin lend credence to his examination of the mottoes. The many hits and few misses he describes should leave all but the most skeptical of readers with an appreciation for the outstanding nature of the St. Malachy document. In chapters Five through Eight, Mr. Hogue offers some discussion on the pontificates of

the latest popes, Catholic vs non-Catholic ideas about the Apocalypse, some positive thoughts about Pope Francis and whether Nostradamus identified him. In Chapter Nine, he gets to the main question: Is Pope Francis the last pope? I won't give away Mr. Hogue's answer, but in considering it, you should bear in mind the fluid nature of prophecy and precognition. Seers may be seeing a particular future happening, but these events can change if factors leading up to them change, such as enough desire to make sure they don't happen. From such come prophetic misses, making the accuracy of the St. Malachy prophecies all the more amazing. It would seem that only a few men with destinies to be pope, didn't make it. So if we're dealing with some real prophecy here, what do we make of it? It seems to me that the preponderance of the world's prophetic literature comes down to a time of unprecedented calamity followed by either human extinction or a turn to enlightened, sustainable living on the earth. The importance of the St. Malachy prophecies is that they seem to provide a specific time for this final time. The countdown of popes is a pretty definite clock and it is lent much credence from just being so accurate. Hence, the importance of this book that presents that timeline in its historic and prophetic context. It is another validation that we are living at a hugely momentous point in the long human drama. Francis and the Last Pope Prophecies of St. Malachy is a little book that deals with a big subject, namely, the fate of humanity. For if the seer behind St. Malachy's prophecies has it right, we've reached the end of history: Yeshua will return to set us straight, or we'll pass through the fire that will prompt us to set ourselves straight, or we'll go extinct. Such are the ponderings prompted by prophecies, the events of our time, and whether Pope Francis is the last pope.

This book provides a generally positive update on John Hogue's previously published books concerning the Malachi prophecies. While he continues to regard much of the Catholic Church as both historically and presently overburdened with "bling," most especially the Vatican and the Papacy, he does regard the Malachi sayings as containing authentic predictions. He has clearly been pleasantly surprised by the upbeat humanity of Francis and thus holds out some hope that, even as the outer structure, both physical and perhaps doctrinal, of the Church deconstructs, the core message as taught by Jesus/Yeshua will survive and provide the basis for a new age of human happiness. Since John apparently holds the Malachi predictions to be much more authentic as prophecy than the New Testament Book of Revelation, or for that matter the Third Secret of Fatima, he fails to mention that getting to that post-apocalyptic state of bliss may be a real bummer. As reported by Joseph Ratzinger (later Pope Benedict XVI) and probably misapplied to John Paul II, the attack on Rome and the Vatican, along with the slaughter of the Pope and senior clerics, sounds

a lot like a papacy-ending ISIS operation. That would indeed make Francis the last pope.

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