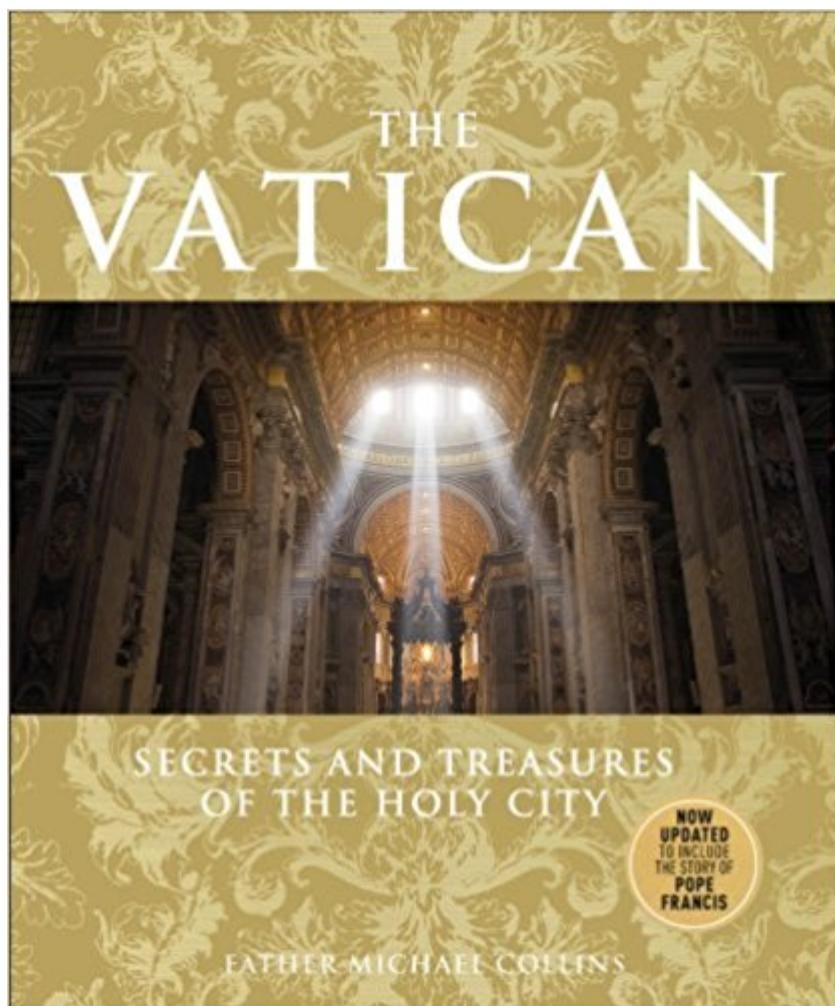


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I was recently in the Vatican Museum and the crowds were dreadful. Just too many people and it is one of the wonders of the world, this museum. When people tell me that they are going to the Vatican Museum, I tell them to read the book and tell them to get this one. It highlights the great works the museum hold. Photography is excellent.

I bought this book as a Christmas gift for my mother. She is a die hard Catholic, and was never able

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This is a really good book, has beautiful photos inside Of the Vatican that I had no idea of. Highly recommended, it is actually on my coffee table.

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