

Chapter 1 : The Devil's Prayer by Luke Gracias | latenitereads

*To say The Devil's Prayer is exceptional is an understatement. From the first page I was whisked away into Luke Gracias' world both real and fictional, showing me pieces of history I'd never known.*

Review copy sent by the author mybookishvibes rates: A nun commits suicide in front of thousands in Spain. In Australia, Siobhan Russo recognizes that nun as her mother, Denise Russo, who disappeared six years ago. In search of answers, Siobhan travels to the isolated convent where her mother once lived. Can Siobhan escape an order of extremist monks determined to get the Prayer back? Can she save the world from its own destruction? Readers may find its content offensive and confronting. I really enjoyed reading this historical fiction with a slight taste of gothic and religious facts in the debut book of Luke Gracias, *The Devil's Prayer*. What I know is this book pulled me into the ancient world and to a whole new different time, where there is a recent terror engulfing the population near to destruction, where the devil finds his ways to create an abomination and is still lurking in the shadows tempting you to him. I love how the author portrayed that through the story and picturing the terrifying outcome after the destruction. The author gives a really brilliant and emphasized brief on the history and mixed it up with all the known facts himself making the whole story seems real and full of thrilling secrets to be unfolded. Most of all I admire how the author tried to share his belief on religion and put them as an example in the story, in the real hunt of belief. It is like water. Water is water, whether you drink it from the tap, or you get it from a bottle sparkling or still, it is always water, irrespective of the brand or packaging. God us like water and religion is the brand or packaging. The problem is with man and what he does in the name of God. Religion is like a knife: The other characters in the story including Jess and the Devil, were described so well while the Perrys were manipulated into giving you terrors and chills all over. And so, does the story, it will leave you gasping to know what happens next. To dive into the mesmerizing words of the author and the magnifying world he builds up. You can find the author and more about his book at:

**Chapter 2 : Luke Gracias (Author of The Devil's Prayer)**

*The Devil's Prayer by Luke Gracias is an thriller with the story style of Dan brown, Why I compared with Dan brown is because his books are more like a thesis and travel guide. It makes you to learn and explore various new things.*

Aug 20, Maxine Booklover Catlady rated it really liked it Recommends it for: Anyone that can read. Just dive on in and start turning the pages. This book was so much better than I expected and one I enjoyed for lots of reasons. Let me share some. Europe - Ancient monasteries, nunneries, secret corridors, locked away libraries This is a book that you want to read with no preconceived ideas in mind. Europe - Ancient monasteries, nunneries, secret corridors, locked away libraries, ancient religious books and texts is what we are immersed in at the start of this fascinating novel and it hooks you pretty fast. I was intrigued and all settled in when We get drip fed twists, turns and messages as we read on the writing style used is really effective. I enjoyed moving between the two. These scenes are intense, unexpected and critical to the plot. The author could jump to crime fiction in a heartbeat! That signs would indicate the date of this dark birth. He makes you keep them. There are fascinating tales of history weaved in from papal scandals and events, prophecies of saints and monks and Nostradamus. Genghis Khan and his army annihilation of countries, lands and people, the finding of the missing gospels of the bible and other key texts and then a very, very coveted book that is central to the search for one woman, a destiny call no matter how HIGH the price. I kept googling dates, names, events to see what was true and what was fiction! I was following the journey with utter fixation. Eager to know the outcome. The world depends on it. Knowing how much a cover draws many readers I think it gives too harsh a message even though you learn about what the image is all about. I think a cover with a more mysterious thriller "feel" will attract more readers as the plot will draw them next. I think spreading this would read better. Despite those minor issues I was thrilled with this book and give it 4. How far will one mother go to protect the daughter she loves? If you were in her shoes. Characters are great in the book! Very well-developed and deliciously complex are some of them. So many fascinating moments to share with both worldly and other-worldly folk. Fancy something a bit different that will entertain? Thanks to the author and publisher for my copy of the book to read and review via NetGalley. Thanks for reading my review! For more of my book reviews, plenty of awesome books to win, author interviews and features come over to join me for book fun at: To follow me on Twitter:

Chapter 3 : [blog.quintoapp.com](http://blog.quintoapp.com): Customer reviews: The Devil's Prayer

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Readers may find its content offensive. A nun commits suicide in front of thousands in Spain. In Australia, Siobhan Russo recognises that nun as her mother, Denise Russo, who disappeared six years ago. In search of answers, Siobhan travels to the isolated convent where her mother once lived. Can Siobhan escape an order of extremist monks determined to get the Prayer back? Can she save the world from its own destruction? This is a genre I am very familiar with. While some have been quite good, this book is beyond that. It is exceptionally well written, blending fact with fiction and with enough twists and turns to make it whiplash worthy! When a nun commits suicide in front of thousands of people, Siobhan Russo recognizes the woman as her mother, who disappeared six years ago. At a memorial service for her mother, Siobhan is approached by an elderly priest. And then he is gone. As Siobhan begins to read, she finds the book is more of a confession, written for her and also a request to finish what her mother started. As we bounce back and forth between centuries, we along with Siobhan hear fantastical stories of the Devil and of God. Did her mother kill herself? This is a brutally raw and ugly look at history and what people have done in the name of religion and what continues to go on. How far would you go to exact revenge for unspeakable acts done to you or your loved ones? For Denise, she made a pact with the Devil. And with the Devil is anything really as it seems? What will this deal cost her in the end? I thoroughly enjoyed this book and actually spent 8 straight hours reading it and then looking up all of the historical places and people and events mentioned in it. Fascinating look at history and religion through the ages. Thank you Netgalley and the Publisher for the opportunity to read this.

Chapter 4 : Review of "The Devil's Prayer" by Luke Gracias " mybookishvibes

*Luke Gracias liked Jean Paul Mills's review of The Devil's Prayer: "This is an all encompassing storyline. You get the feel of History, Manuscripts, horror, thriller, monasteries, ancient scriptures, Mongol and Papal inquisition and a whole lot more.*

Australian E-book Publisher Pub. Horror, Historical Fiction, Thriller Language: In Australia, Siobhan Russo recognizes that nun as her mother, Denise Russo, who disappeared six years ago. In search of answers, Siobhan travels to the isolated convent where her mother once lived. Can Siobhan escape an order of extremist monks determined to get the Prayer back? Can she save the world from its own destruction? Readers may find its content offensive and confronting. But I also think it would be really hard to do a blurb that really did tell you what this book was about. Some of the book is fairly typical fare. Deals with the devil, prophecies, and the possible end of the world. There was the mystery, the horror, the clues all coming together. We got the beginnings of an answer to a question that was asked early on. Once I really sat down to concentrate on the book, I read through 50 percent of it in one night. And the last quarter was good, too. But in a very different way. It felt like Luke Gracias got almost done with the book, and then decided to turn it into a history paper at the end. My interest in what I was reading swiftly fizzled. Instead of getting the climax and story resolution I was hoping for, I was suddenly just hoping it would end soon. No one is going to be as detailed in their journals about every little interaction as they are in these types of books. I was able to push it aside, for the most part, and just enjoy what I was reading. Siobhan is pretty much just an audience substitute in this book. Luke Gracias is talented, though, and obviously a religious history enthusiast. The book ends, if not exactly on a cliffhanger, without a feeling of plot resolution.

Chapter 5 : Goodreads Monday: The Devil's Prayer by Luke Gracias | Jo Linsdell

*The Devil's Prayer - Written by Luke Gracias Available now on Amazon, iTunes, Google Play and Kobo. [blog.quintoapp.com](http://blog.quintoapp.com)*

I received my copy of this off of NetGalley. Nothing major but still. Siobhan has just found out that her mother Denise Russo has died. In the bible there was a note for Siobhan to go to Zamora, Spain. When Siobhan gets to Zamora, everyone she encounters tells her to leave Zamora. Once she gets to the convent Mother Superior Margret tells her to leave at once. A sister talks the Mother Superior to letting Siobhan stay the night but leave at first morning. She then flees to Madrid with the help of an officer. Along with the journal there was a picture of her mother on her birthday with friends. There is something else in the picture. When Siobhan looks at it I got extremely creeped out. Congrats to Gracias, you had me on the edge of my seat ready to run to the nearest church. I am not a very spiritual person. I also believe in demons, angels, and spirits. Reason why I put space in between books like this. I started to get creeped out when Siobhan sees the photograph her mother left. As her mother says it was the only picture she has of him. At first this was a slow start to the book. It was really hard to put it down, especially at work. I wanted, no, needed to find out what was happening. I love the telling of how Denise is in denial then how her state progresses into hate and wanting revenge for those who have wronged her. It does get pretty gory. Throughout the book I wanted to know why the red monks were chasing her. Why was she in danger? Did her mom not hold up her end of the bargain? The book was well written. I was on edge for most of the book. Definitely recommend if you like mystery along with religion tie ins. I would say this is more thriller than horror but none the less creepy. Fair warning there is a rape scene and torture scenes. There is a part 3 but I would spoil the book if I talked about it. It is housed at the National Library in Stockholm. The legend says that it was written by one monk who was sentenced to death by being walled up alive Not the best way to die. He wrote this book in one night with the help of the Devil. Gracias writes about this in the prologue. He stayed pretty true to the legend. Now I looked up how many pages it is said to be missing in the codex for real and it is said around 10 pages. Those pages that are said to be missing, Gracias writes that they are hidden in a monastery in Zamora. Another deal I looked up was the Semana Santa. By the way the guys in the cloaks with hoods on, really creepy. Cool but very creepy at the same time. This is a real life celebration of the Holy Week.

## Chapter 6 : The Devil's Prayer

*Luke Gracias @devils\_prayer I have recently released my first ebook called 'The Devil's Prayer' on amazon, ibooks, googleplay and kobo. It is a historical supernatural horror thriller.*

I had a slow start and a skipping finish with this book. Impatience is my middle name. And this would be my only negative feedback on the bookâ€¦ everything elseâ€¦ the middle part, the majority of the book was just quality stuff! A nun commits suicide in front of thousands in Spain. In Australia, Siobhan Russo recognises that nun as her mother, Denise Russo, who disappeared six years ago. In search of answers, Siobhan travels to the isolated convent where her mother once lived. Can Siobhan escape an order of extremist monks determined to get the Prayer back? Can she save the world from its own destruction? Readers may find its content offensive and confronting. And it was necessary to start the story right. I was worried that I was going to end up reading a story set in a nunnery. With the priests, monks, nuns and some confession sessions and was wondering how the hell does the explicit content tie into all of this? And what came blew my socks off. I remember once, on a day off from work a few years back I watched 6 parts of SAW, the movieâ€¦ I sat on a chair, blanket around my shoulders, munched food yup, I actually ate while watching the movies and wasted my day awayâ€¦ By the time I got to the end of Part 6 I remember feeling strange, maybe there was slight rocking back and forthâ€¦ apparently, the hours of gorefest had gotten to me. This bookâ€¦ kinda did the same. The explicit content warning is there for a reason, people. As you can read from the blurb the Devil will be in the story. The religion aspect of the book is more adventurous and took me on a true excursion around the globe to various monasteries and holy places with their holy scrolls and fabulous sceneries. The historical side of the book is definitely covered with plenty of detailed descriptions, historical facts and associated events. Of course, you would also need to have a strong stomach for explicit content because the horrors will make your spine tingle. Here, listen to this pretty song to celebrate the book that is dark, yet holy. Full of sin and search for justice.

### Chapter 7 : The Devil's Prayer eBook: Luke Gracias: blog.quintoapp.com: Kindle Store

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This is a story that spans the centuries, starting in Spain then to Australia and then across mainland Europe. A nun commits suicide in Public during a holy festival. The reasons for this choice are found in her book of confession. It is discovered by her daughter Siobhan. As Siobhan goes through the confession the story of her mother is laid out before her. Rather than being the mother who walked out on them a few years ago, she is actually something very different and the safety of her daughters is paramount. As the story unfolds the reason for this and many other things become apparent. The story takes us through the Catholic faith, discussing saints, secrets, monasteries, churches, libraries, books, manuscripts and codices. It soon becomes obvious that there has been a lot of research into this subject. For the most part it is well paced, only slowing slightly towards the end a huge amount of dates, places and people are mentioned, but still enjoyable and digestible. There are some brutal scenes depicted in this book and so is not for the fainthearted. At the end of the book there are a lot of unanswered questions that I assume will be answered in a following book, or books. I look forward to reading more from this author. I would recommend this book to readers of thriller, historical fiction and mystery. It is not a book for the faint-hearted as there are some quite brutal scenes described in this book. It is not comfortable reading but is part of the plot. I would like to thank NetGalley and Australian eBook Publisher for allowing me an ARC copy of this book, for my honest and unbiased opinion. A nun commits suicide in front of thousands in Spain. In Australia, Siobhan Russo recognises that nun as her mother, Denise Russo, who disappeared six years ago. In search of answers, Siobhan travels to the isolated convent where her mother once lived. Can Siobhan escape an order of extremist monks determined to get the Prayer back? Can she save the world from its own destruction? Readers may find its content offensive and confronting. You can view the video teaser for the book on <https://>

### Chapter 8 : The Devil's Prayer | Luke Gracias | NetGalley

*Explicit Content Warning: The Devil's Prayer is a historical horror thriller that contains brutality, rape, sex, drug abuse and murder. Readers may find its content offensive and confronting. The Devil's Prayer was converted from a film script written by the author.*

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