

Doubleday Edition of The Way to be presented at Opus Dei's Headquarters

Msgr. Thomas Bohlin of Opus Dei and Bill Barry of Doubleday will present Doubleday's new edition of *The Way* by Saint Josemaría Escrivá on May 9.

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Monsignor Thomas G. Bohlin, the U.S. vicar of Opus Dei, and Bill Barry, the head of Doubleday's religious books division, will join together on

May 9 for a presentation of Doubleday's forthcoming edition of The Way by Saint Josemaría Escrivá.

The event will take place at Murray Hill Place, the U.S. headquarters for Opus Dei, located in Manhattan.

"Many people have read about the fictional Opus Dei of The Da Vinci Code," said Monsignor Bohlin. "I hope the new Doubleday edition of The Way will help many discover Opus Dei's real message of finding God in everyday life."

The Way is a collection of points for prayer by Opus Dei's founder, Saint Josemaria Escrivá. Since The Way was first published in 1934, more than four and a half million copies have been sold, in 43 different languages.

Written in a direct, conversational style that makes it accessible to the reader, The Way has been

commended by such spiritual guides as Thomas Merton and Pope Paul VI.

The new edition, titled *The Way: The Essential Classic of Opus Dei's Founder* (Doubleday/Image; May 9, 2006; Trade Paperback; \$10.95), features a new foreword by Bishop Javier Echevarría, the Prelate of Opus Dei.

Reflecting Escrivá's belief that God speaks through the people and happenings of everyday life, *The Way* blends passages from sacred Scripture with anecdotes drawn from Escrivá's life, snatches of conversation, and selections from his personal letters. These insights are divided into chapters such as "Prayer," "Presence of God," "Our Lady," "Little Things" and "Joy."

Another presentation of the new edition of *The Way* will take place in Washington, D.C., on May 10 at 6

p.m. at the Catholic Information Center, located at 1501 K Street, NW.

The new edition may be purchased here.

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THE WAY Timeline

1939 First publication of The Way:
Spanish title, Camino (Valencia,
Spain)

1946 First translation, Portuguese
(Coimbra, Portugal)

1953 First English edition (Cork,
Ireland)

1954 First US edition (Chicago)

1956 First Braille edition (Madrid)

1959 First Arabic edition (Beirut)

1961 First Japanese edition (Ashiya,
Japan)

1963 One million copies printed

1968 First Esperanto edition (Madrid)

1971 First Russian edition (Madrid)

1972 First Chinese edition (Manila)

1972 First Hebrew edition (Buenos Aires)

1982 First Swahili edition (Nairobi)

1995 Four million copies printed

2001 Bilingual edition, Camino – The Way (London)

2002 Critical edition, with annotations on scriptural, theological and historical references

2006 Doubleday edition of The Way (New York)

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