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Love's Virtues-Mike W. Martin 1996 This book brings together a sensitive understanding of love and an unusually careful, even painstaking, analysis of the enormous but often neglected role of morality and the virtues in love. Martin's discussions of such virtues as caring, courage, fidelity, and honesty are superb, the examples well-chosen, the argument personal but nevertheless rigorous, the prose accessible and enjoyable to read.

The Cardinal Virtues-Saint Thomas (Aquinas) 2004 "These translations from the Latin works of Thomas Aquinas, Albert the Great, and Philip the Chancellor concentrate on the four cardinal virtues - prudence, justice, courage, and temperance - first identified by Plato as essential requirements for living a happy and morally good life. "An historical introduction traces the development of the doctrine of the four cardinal virtues from Greek philosophy through the thirteenth century. The treatise isolates three stages in this development: (1) Greek and Roman Philosofi: Socrates, Plato, Aristotle, early Stoics, Cicero, and Seneca; (2) early Christian Sancti: Ambrose, Jerome, Augustine, and Gregory; and (3) medieval schoolmen (Magistri): Master Peter Lombard, Philip the Chancellor, Albert, and Aquinas."~BOOK JACKET


On Love and Virtue: Theological Essays-Michael S. Sherwin 2018-12-01 What does it mean to love? What are the traits of character that support love’s activity? How does the economy of grace—the mission of Christ and the action of the Holy Spirit—elevate and transform human love, virtue, and the desire for happiness? In On Love and Virtue: Theological Essays, the eminent Dominican theologian Michael Sherwin considers how the Catholic tradition has addressed these questions. Fr. Sherwin places this tradition in dialogue with contemporary questions. Taking St. Thomas Aquinas as his primary guide, Fr. Sherwin reads St. Thomas in light of his biblical and patristic sources (especially St. Augustine) and engages contemporary developments in philosophy in order to deepen our understanding of how grace both heals and elevates human nature. Along the way, Fr. Sherwin considers the vocation of the theologian and the biblical and patristic understanding of the Christian call to moral apprenticeship and friendship with God.

Ockham on the Virtues-Rega Wood 1997 One of the world's great philosophers, William of Ockham's On the Connection of the Virtues (De connexione virtutum) provides insightful perspectives on ordinary issues of human conduct. Written in reasonably simple and non-technical language, it is translated into English here for the first time. Ockham's views on many subjects have been misunderstood, his views on ethics as much as any. This book is designed to avoid some pitfalls that arise in reading medieval philosophy generally and Ockham in particular. Wood begins her introduction with an account of what is known about Ockham's life and works and with a discussion of his place in the history of philosophy, followed by a brief general guide to his views. Finally, there is a historical account of the medieval debate on the connection of the virtues, to which Ockham's treatise is an important contribution.

Sex, Love, and Friendship-Adrianne Leigh McEvoy 2011-08 The joke is that all the prostitutes go on vacation when the philosophers come to town. The reason that the other conventioneers do it; philosophers just talk about it. And talk about sex and love, and friendship is what the contributors to this volume do! They talk and argue, split hairs and clarify, all trying to advance our understanding of this most interesting practice of the human species. Some of the best minds on three continents, from four nations, and eighteen of the United States discuss such topics as adultery, commitment, crossing dressing, gender politics, date rape, family, friendship, friends as lovers, gayness, love, marital pluralism, marriage, prostitution, religiously motivated anti-queer sentiments, same sex marriage, seduction, and self-respect. Rather than preach, participants probe our attitudes and practices involving these issues with the aim of better understanding the broad range of sexual practices of our species. The result is a collection of stimulating essays that can enliven class discussions as well as provide guidance for the sexually perplexed. The work is accessible to readers from high school through college and beyond.

The Nature of True Virtue-Jonathan Edwards 2003-10-01 A major work in moral philosophy by the Puritan who was the most modern man of his age. Edwards at his very greatest . . . he speaks with an insight into science and psychology so much ahead of his time that our own can hardly be said to have caught up with him. Perry Miller, 'Jonathan Edwards' Like the great speculators Augustine, Aquinas, and Pascal, Jonathan Edwards treated religious ideas as problems not of dogma, but of life. His exploration of self-love disguised as true virtue is grounded in the hard facts of human behavior. More than a hellfire preacher, more than a theologian, Edwards was a bold and independent philosopher. Nowhere is his force of mind more evident than in this book. He speaks as powerfully to us today as he did to the keenest minds of the eighteenth century.

Gospel Virtues-Jonathan R. Wilson 2004-08-16 Virtues are in, but the work of Bill Bennett and others says little about specifically Christian virtues. Jonathan Wilson now recounts the recent rise of virtue ethics and provides a compelling Christian account and justification of them. Wilson engages such key figures as Alasdair MacIntyre and Stanley Hauerwas. Focusing especially on the theological virtues of faith, hope, and love, he not only sets forth a closely reasoned intellectual argument but suggests how an embrace of virtue ethics might change the nitty-gritty practice of the church's education, worship, and hospitality. Accessible, informed, and faithful, 'Gospel Virtues' is important reading for all who care about issues of character and community.

Virtues and Their Vices-Craig A. Boyd 2016-01-17 Virtues and Their Vices is the only extant contemporary, comprehensive treatment of specific virtues and, where applicable, their competing vices. Each of the essays, written exclusively for this volume, not only locates discussion of that virtue in its historical context, but also advances the discussion and debate concerning the understanding and role of the virtues. Each of the first four sections focuses on a particular, historically important class of virtues: the cardinal virtues, the capital vices (or 'seven deadly sins') and the corrective virtues, intellectual virtues, and the theological virtues. The final section discusses the role virtue theory and the virtues themselves play in a number of disciplines, ranging from theology and political theory to neurobiology and feminism. The treatment of the virtues in this present volume is sensitive to the historical heritage of the virtues, including their theological heritage, without paying undue attention to the historical and theological issues. Virtues and Their Vices engages contemporary philosophical scholarship as well as relevant scholarship from related disciplines throughout. It is a unique and compelling addition to the philosophical treatment of the virtues as well as their import in a wide spectrum of disciplines.

Teaching Jewish Virtues-Susan Freeman 1999 Includes bibliographical references (p. 357-358).

The Bourgeois Virtues-Deirdre N. McCloskey 2010-03-15 For a century and a half, the artists and intellectuals of Europe have scorned the bourgeoise. And for a millennium and a half, the philosophers and theologians of Europe have scorned the marketplace. The bourgeois life, capitalism, Mencken’s “booboisie” and David Brooks’s “bobos”—all have been, and still are, framed as being responsible for everything from
financial to moral poverty, world wars, and spiritual desuetude. Countering these centuries of assumptions and unexamined thinking is Deirdre McCloskey’s The Rhetoric of Virtues, a remarkable volume that offers a fresh view: capitalism is good for us. McCloskey’s sweeping, charming, and even humorous survey of ethical thought and economic realities—from Plato to Barbara Ehrenreich—overturns every assumption we have about being bourgeois. Can you be virtuous and bourgeois? Do markets improve ethics? Has capitalism made us better as well as richer? Yes, yes, and yes, argues McCloskey, who take intellectual autonomies of capital, tradition and sheer scope of knowledge. Applying a new tradition of “virtue ethics” to our lives in modern economies, she affirms American capitalism without ignoring its faults and celebrates the bourgeois lives we actually live, without supposing that they must be lived without ethical foundations. High Noon, Kant, Bill Gates and Van Gogh, and of course economics and the economy all come into play in a book that can only be described as a monumental project and a life’s work. The Bourgeois Virtues is nothing less than a dazzling reinterpretation of Western intellectual history, a dead-serious reply to the critics of capitalism—and a surprising page-turner.

 Intellectual Virtues—Robert C. Roberts 2007-01-11 Out of the ferment of recent debates about the intellectual virtues, Roberts and Wood have developed an approach they call ‘regulative epistemology’. This is partly a return to classical and medieval traditions, partly in the spirit of Locke’s and Descartes’s concern for intellectual formation, partly an exploration of connections between epistemology and ethics, and partly an approach that has never been tried before. Standing on the shoulders of recent epistemologists - including William Alston, Alvin Plantinga, Ernest Sosa, and Linda Zagzebski - Roberts and Wood pursue epistemological questions by looking closely and deeply at particular traits of intellectual character such as the capacity of knowing autonomy and intellectual humility. Central to their vision is an account of intellectual goods that includes not just knowledge as properly grounded belief, but understanding and personal acquaintance, acquired and shared through the many social practices of actual intellectual life. This approach to intellectual virtue infuses the discipline of epistemology with new life, and makes it interesting to people outside the circle of professional epistemologists. It is epistemology for the whole intellectual community, as Roberts and Wood carefully sketch the ways in which virtues that would have been categorized earlier as moral make for agents who can better acquire, refine, and communicate important kinds of knowledge.

 The Virtues: Cardinal and Theological—Mitch Finley 2016-10-31 Just as all organisms are governed by biological laws, human beings also have an ingrained moral compass—laws that direct their behavior in a certain way. According to Catholic Tradition, the virtues operate as central principles behind our notion of moral goodness. Here is a unique and insightful book that examines the virtues and offers them as a blueprint that demonstrates how to embrace the seven key virtues as pillars of behavior and belief. Author Mitch Finley delves into the theological virtues of faith, hope, and love, and the cardinal virtues of prudence, justice, fortitude, and temperance. He shows you how these traits are no mere abstractions; they reflect an understanding of human nature with its capacity for both good and evil. Bolstered by contemporary applications and real-life examples, The Catholic Virtues shows how the seven virtues are interconnected and are, quite simply, the keys to becoming more Christlike.

 The Virtues, Or The Examined Life—Romanus Cessario 2002-05-30 The characteristic feature of the Christian moral life remains the very person of Jesus Christ. As the Eternal Word of the Father, Christ supplies the universal, personal, and concrete norm for all moral comportment. When human action flows from the agent’s union with Christ, human freedom meets up with its own graced source of energy. From the moment that a human creature encounters the triune God, the creature discovers who he is. For when God chooses a person to share in the blessed communion of his own life, the individual achieves a quality of personal being that only God can bestow. The more authentic our relationship with the Persons of the blessed Trinity becomes, the more the divine life takes hold of us and, through the virtues, shapes our daily actions. This new book treats the virtues of the Christian life from a Trinitarian perspective. The chapters pursue a common aim: to show how well they can decide what is morally good and, by embracing the moral good, grow to the full stature of Christ’s own loving kindness. To achieve this aim, the text treats in an innovative and fresh manner both the theological virtues, faith, hope, and charity, as well as the cardinal moral virtues, prudence, justice, fortitude, and temperance. The author also reflects on allied questions of moral theology and so provides a significant commentary on the third part of the Catechism of the Catholic Church.

 Values, Virtues, and Vices—Raymond A Belliotti 2020-11-11 Values, Virtue, and the Virtue Ethic: An Introduction to Virtue Ethics is an interdisciplinary study that examines the lives and work of four historical figures: Caesar, Dante, Machiavelli, or Garibaldi, as well as Italian culture and the moral psychology of pride, arrogance, justification, excuse, repentance, and the concept of honor.”

 Tolerance among the Virtues—John R. Bowlin 2016-08-23 In a pluralistic society such as ours, tolerance is a virtue—but it doesn’t always seem so. Some suspect that it entangles us in unacceptable moral compromises and inequalities of power, while others dismiss it as mere political correctness or doubt that it can safeguard the moral and political relationships we value. Tolerance among the Virtues provides a vigorous defense of tolerance against its many critics and shows why the virtue of tolerance involves exercising judgment across a variety of different circumstances and relationships—not simply applying a prescribed set of rules. Drawing inspiration from St. Paul, Aquinas, and Wittgenstein, John Bowlin offers a nuanced inquiry into tolerance as a virtue. He explains why the advocates and debunkers of generational tolerance have reached an impasse, and he suggests a new way forward by distinguishing the virtue of tolerance from its false look-alikes, and from its sibling, forbearance. Some acts of tolerance are right and good, while others amount to indifference, complicity, or condensation. Some persons are able to draw these distinctions well and to act in accord with their better judgment. When we praise them as tolerant, we are commending them as virtuous. Bowlin explores what that commendation means. Tolerance among the Virtues offers invaluable insights into how to live amid differences we cannot endorse—beliefs we consider false, actions we think are unjust, institutional arrangements we consider cruel or corrupt, and persons who embody what we oppose.

 Cross-cultural Dialogue on the Virtues—Trudy D. Conway 2014-07-10 This book explores the development of the influential worldwide Hizmet movement inspired by the Turkish scholar Fethullah Gülen, known for his moderate Islamic emphasis on peaceful relations among diverse people. It provides a detailed study of Gülen’s intellectual and spiritual roots, revealing how they relate to the virtues, and shows how Gülen’s assessment of the virtues is distinctive. It provides a detailed study of Gülen’s intellectual and spiritual roots, revealing how they relate to the virtues, and shows how Gülen’s assessment of the virtues is distinctive. It provides a detailed study of Gülen’s intellectual and spiritual roots, revealing how they relate to the virtues, and shows how Gülen’s assessment of the virtues is distinctive. It provides a detailed study of Gülen’s intellectual and spiritual roots, revealing how they relate to the virtues, and shows how Gülen’s assessment of the virtues is distinctive. It provides a detailed study of Gülen’s intellectual and spiritual roots, revealing how they relate to the virtues, and shows how Gülen’s assessment of the virtues is distinctive. It provides a detailed study of Gülen’s intellectual and spiritual roots, revealing how they relate to the virtues, and shows how Gülen’s assessment of the virtues is distinctive.
fine line between virtues and vices, uncovering ways our flawed priorities can masquerade as healthy religious goals and showing us how to reorient ourselves toward truly virtuous living.

Conjugal Love and Its Chaste Delights; Also, Adulterous Love and Its Sinful Pleasures by Emanuel Swedenborg—Emanuel Swedenborg 1862

Structures of Love, The—James Penney 2012-04-28 Reframes the terms of cultural analysis with a fresh take on transference theory in Freud and Lacan and a critical engagement with the philosophy of Alain Badiou.

The Prudence of Love—Eric J. Silverman 2009-12-02 The Prudence of Love focuses upon the intersection of philosophical, theological, and psychological issues related to love. Eric Silverman defends an account of love derived from the views of Thomas Aquinas and argues that love provides numerous psychological and relational benefits that increase the lover’s happiness. Furthermore, he argues that love is beneficial according to all major contemporary accounts of happiness.

Unconditional Love—Tina Micah 2020-11-23 As Pat had to travel abroad to further his studies, Anne waited for nine years for her lost love that never called her for once. Jide is a Christian young man from a rich home who is ready to go the extra mile because of the love he has for Anne. He turned down his parents’ offer to marry a millionaire’s daughter as he was ready to let go of his inheritance as the only Son for the love he has for Anne. Anne was ready to let go of Pat after 9 years of waiting. But Pat decided to show up on the day Jude proposed to her. Will she accept Jide’s proposal? Will she run back into the arms of her first love? Find out more as you read!

Love’s labours lost. Taming of the shrew—William Shakespeare 1881

Deadly Sins and Saving Virtues—Donald Capps 2000-03-28 Using biblical narratives, the Beatitudes and Eric H. Erikson’s life cycle theory, Donald Capps reveals ways to combat the deadly sins by nurturing saving virtues. With his work rooted deeply in the Bible, Capps attempts to show comparisons that link each traditional deadly sin with a particular stage of personality development, using biblical figures to provide dynamic examples of virtue and sin. Providing broad implications for practicing ministry, Capps book will intrigue all who wish to explore virtue and sin from a pastoral, biblical and psychological perspective.

Thomas Aquinas: Disputed Questions on the Virtues—Thomas Aquinas 2005-06-02 The great medieval philosopher Thomas Aquinas (1224/6-1274) was Dominican regent master in theology at the University of Paris, where he presided over a series of questions - academic debates - on ethical topics. This volume offers translations of disputed questions on the nature of virtues in general, the fundamental or ‘cardinal’ virtues of practical wisdom, justice, courage, and temperance, the divinely bestowed virtues of hope and charity, and the practical question of how, when and why one should rebuke a ‘brother’ for wrongdoing. The introduction explains how Aquinas’s theory of virtue fits into his ethics as a whole, and it illuminates Aquinas’s views by explaining the institutional and intellectual context in which these disputed questions were debated.

Virtues of Thought—Aryeh Kosman 2014-03-31 Exploring what two foundational figures, Plato and Aristotle, have to say about the nature of human awareness and understanding, Aryeh Kosman concludes that ultimately the virtues of thought are to be found in the joys and satisfactions that come from thinking philosophically, whether we engage in it ourselves or witness others’ participation.

Jane Austen’s Philosophy of the Virtues—S. Emesly 2005-10-13 This book examines Austen’s novels in relation to her philosophical and religious context, demonstrating that the combination of the classical and theological traditions of the virtues is central to her work. Austen’s heroines learn to confront the fundamental ethical question of how to live their lives. Instead of defining virtue only in the narrow sense of female sexual virtue, Austen opens up questions about a plurality of virtues. In fresh readings of the six canonical novels, plus Lady Susan, Emesly shows how Austen’s complex imaginative representations of the tensions among the virtues engage with and expand on classical and Christian ethical thought.

Virtues in Action—M. Austin 2013-10-10 In recent decades, many philosophers have considered the strengths and weaknesses of a virtue-centered approach to moral theory. Much less attention has been given to how such an approach bears on issues in applied ethics. The essays in this volume apply a virtue-centered perspective to a variety of contemporary moral issues, and in so doing offer a fresh and illuminating perspective. Some of the essays focus on a particular virtue and its application to one or more realms of applied ethics, such as temperament and sex or humility and environmental ethics. Other chapters focus on an issue in applied ethics and bring several virtues into a discussion of that issue or realm of life, such as sport, education, and business. Finally, several of the chapters engage relevant psychological research as well as current neuroscience, which enhances the strength of the philosophical arguments.

Thomas Aquinas on the Cardinal Virtues—Christopher Kaczor 2020-10-30 Thomas Aquinas on the Cardinal Virtues provides essential passages from Thomas’s treatment of the cardinal virtues in the Summa theologiae, edited and explained for classroom use or the independent reader. Arranged for beginners, this book contains passages from the Summa theologiae of great historical import, contemporary relevance, or intrinsic interest combined with abundant footnotes aiding the modern reader. Each individual article is arranged so that the question, e.g. “Is capital punishment moral?” is followed directly by Thomas’s answer. Then the first objection is raised, followed immediately by Thomas’s response, the second objection is raised and then Thomas answers it, and so forth. The abundant footnotes help first time readers navigate key theological and philosophical terms which may be unfamiliar. In addition, the notes provide biographical information about key authors cited by Thomas, such as Tully, Vegetius, and Gregory the Great. The footnotes sometimes look back at the sources and philosophical roots of what Thomas teaches. Other notes note how authors after Aquinas including theologians, church councils, and popes developed, synthesized, and sometimes rejected what Thomas teaches. In sum, this book seeks to illuminate Thomas’s teaching on the cardinal virtues such as a teacher might do in the classroom.

Happiness and the Good Life—Mike W. Martin 2012-03-01 Philosopher Mike W. Martin here examines the meaning of happiness by connecting it to the philosophical notion of “the good life.”

St. Francis On Poverty, and Other Virtues—Father Cuthbert O.S.F.C. 2019-05-13 Francis may have been the most influential in both the Christian and non-Christian worlds. In 1993, the editorial staff of Time magazine ranked him first among the 10 greatest people of the second millennium. He certainly points the way for all Christians in the third millennium, identifying the Gospel-based values and actions needed if the Gospel News of Jesus Christ is to have its impact in the world. He changes the way we think of God. Francis via biblical images, invited people to think of God the Father as a generous and loving Creator, to see God the Son as living proof of God’s love and closeness to the human family, to appreciate God the Spirit as the One who makes us holy, preparing for us our eternal home. Important as the doctrinal aspect of St. Francis’ writings must of necessity be to all who would understand his life and his message in the light of the Gospel. Francis also presents the springs of his religious motivations, his call for change and reform, and conduct ultimately rests upon conviction” it is foreign to the object of the present volume; St. Francis On Poverty, and Other Virtues.

The Ends of the Moral Virtues and the First Principles of Practical Reason in Thomas Aquinas—Farrell Dominic 2012 How do ordinary people come to know what is virtuous? Do our moral convictions merely reflect our cultural background and upbringing, or do we somehow understand what is virtuous by ourselves and in a failsafe manner? Thomas Aquinas believes that we do. In his view practical reason is guided by our natural knowledge of the ends of the moral virtues. The ends of the moral virtues pre-exist in practical reason (Summa theologicae II-II.47.6-7). This book delves into this argument, its historical background, and its implications for Aquinas’ account of the cognitive foundations of deliberation. For Thomas, the naturally known overarching ends of the moral virtues and human life are love for God, self and others. They are first principles of practical reason. This order of love determines the content, logic and workings of natural law. In this way, Aquinas not only develops a compelling account of natural law, but also bridges the gap between natural law and virtue. The fundamental content of natural law is tied up with the shape and structure of the moral virtues. Aquinas’ innovative wedding of Aristotelian and Augustinian accounts of deliberation constitutes an important chapter within medieval moral philosophy. It can also contribute much to contemporary reflection on practical reason, natural law and virtue ethics.

Delights of Wisdom Concerning Conjugal Love—Emanuel Swedenborg

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Man Virtues - Robert P. Lockwood 2019-11-08 Robert P. Lockwood (you can call him Bob) has asked the same question you've asked dozens of times: "What the hell am I doing with my life?" Like you, he has wondered why he does what he does, and why it can be so hard to be the person he wants to be. In the end, it's about wanting happiness. Not three-beer happiness, I-got-a-raise happiness, or the-Steelers-made-the-playoffs happiness, but that quiet contentment that comes from living a good life. What does it take to find true happiness? Virtues. Not goodie-goodie niceness, but real, manly virtues. As in: The four cardinal virtues: the way you look at and act in the world The three theological virtues: your personal connection to the living God These virtues are how we are meant to live. They're what we admire in other guys and hope to find in ourselves, but most of us are convinced that cultivating these virtues is just too hard. Well, Bob is here to show you that with grace, the sacraments, and some holy habits, a life of virtue is not only possible, it's a lot easier than mediocrity. P.S. If a woman in your life handed you this book, read it. You won't have to tell her how much you liked it. She'll know, when it starts to show. "Bob Lockwood is a guy's guy, and a Catholic guy's Catholic guy. Here he's done the step-by-step for all of us who won't stop and ask for directions, even though we really, really need them."—Mike Aquilina ABOUT THE AUTHOR Robert P. Lockwood is the former editor, editor-in-chief, publisher, and president of Our Sunday Visitor. Catholic Journal, his award-winning bi-weekly column, has appeared in OSVNewsweekly for over three decades. He is the author of A Faith for Grown-Ups: A Midlife Conversation about What Really Matters (Loyola Press, 2004). He served as Director of Communications for the Diocese of Pittsburgh and General Manager of the Pittsburgh Catholic diocesan newspaper from 2001 to 2014.