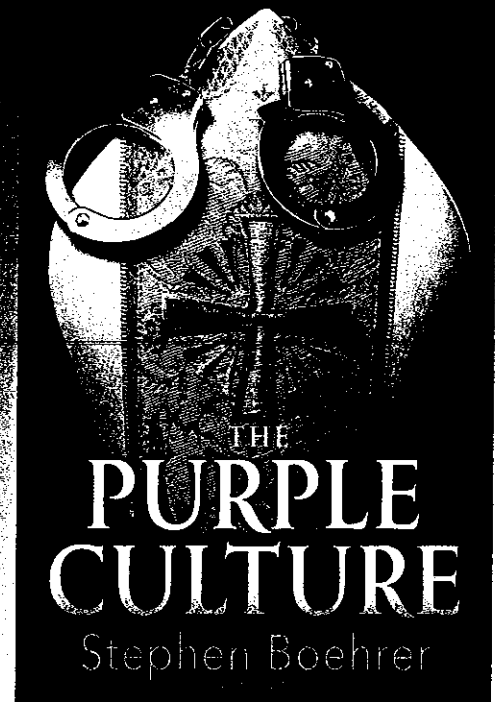


CTA is pleased to invite you to our guest
At a presentation and discussion by the
Author Stephen Boehrer
The Purple Culture
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May 20th
7:00 pm

702 N. High Point Road
(community room)
(NW corner of High Point and Old Sauk)

Please join us for dessert and book signing
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ABOUT THE BOOK

What happens when those we trust most commit the most egregious acts of betrayal?

It's a scandal that has sent shockwaves throughout the world. Abuse committed in the place where we — and our children — should be safe: the church.

As three bishops stand trial in federal court, charged with conspiracy for protecting abusive priests, prosecutor William Goulding and defense attorney James Kobs prepare for the trial of a lifetime.

As Goulding presents a litany of damning evidence, Kobs is forced to take an unorthodox route. But Kobs's toughest battle will be persuading the jury.

From expert testimony about power, aristocracy, narcissism, and addiction, to the innermost thoughts of the trial's spectators and participants, this extraordinary courtroom drama unfolds as Kobs presents his startling case.

An intelligent, provocative story about power and human nature, *The Purple Culture* is not a book about shame, guilt, finger-pointing, or lurid details. Part legal thriller, part psychological drama, *The Purple Culture* demystifies the majestic and intriguing traditions of the Roman Catholic faith.

"A brilliant analysis of the Catholic hierarchy. The most Plausible answer to date to the why of the destructive Nightmare of clergy sexual abuse"
Thomas Doyle, Canon Lawyer and co-author of *Sex, Priests, and Secret Codes*

ABOUT THE AUTHOR



Stephen L. Boehrer is a native of Wisconsin. After spending four years in the U.S. Navy, Boehrer enrolled in Holy Cross Seminary in LaCrosse, Wisconsin, where he earned his B.A. in philosophy. Boehrer spent the next four years studying at The Gregorian University in Rome, Italy. Ordained as a priest in Rome, he returned to the LaCrosse Diocese and spent a year in Wausau, Wisconsin, as an associate pastor. He later earned a doctorate in theology from The Catholic University in Washington, D.C. In 1968, Boehrer was appointed chancellor of the LaCrosse Diocese. Boehrer lives with his wife, Rita Sheridan, in Wisconsin. *The Purple Culture* is his fourth novel.

Praise for author Stephen Boehrer and *The Purple Culture*

"Boehrer's page-turning story might be fictional but it is entirely based upon the facts."

— Peter Isely, Midwest Director, SNAP (Survivors Network of those Abused by Priests)

"Boehrer's theory is fictional, yet thoroughly credible, and the depth of its implications raises even more frightening questions."

— Rita McDonald, Ph.D., Clinical Psychologist, Professor Emerita, Marquette University, Milwaukee, Wisconsin