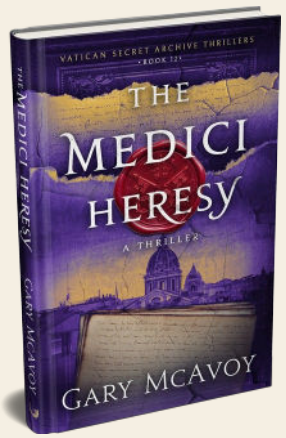
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# The Medici Heresy

*Gary McAvoy*




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## ABOUT THE AUTHOR



Gary McAvoy is an American novelist known for internationally bestselling thrillers that blend historical intrigue, religious scholarship, and modern suspense. A lifelong collector of rare manuscripts and Church history research, he draws on extensive archival study to craft narratives rooted in authentic detail.

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*When Father Michael Dominic uncovers a sealed Renaissance letter hidden deep within the Vatican Archives, he awakens a five-hundred-year-old secret buried by Pope Clement VII at the height of the Medici dynasty.*

Joined by investigative journalist Hana Sinclair, Michael follows a trail of clues through forgotten chapels, papal confessions, and ancient astronomical alignments, each step drawing them deeper into a mystery the Church once swore to silence. What begins as a scholarly puzzle quickly becomes a struggle for survival as shadowed forces—both inside and outside the Vatican—move to control or destroy what Clement left behind.

Their search reveals two extraordinary manuscripts: the Gospel of the Beloved, attributed to Mary Magdalene, and the Codex of Voices, a Renaissance record documenting the Church's attempt to bury it forever. As Michael, Hana, and their Swiss Guard allies navigate the danger closing in around them, they confront a truth that challenges not doctrine but conscience: why some voices endure across centuries while others are violently erased. With each revelation, the line between faith and fear grows thinner, and the cost of honesty becomes terrifyingly clear.

Rich in historical detail and steeped in Vatican intrigue, *The Medici Heresy* weaves a modern thriller through one of the Church's darkest chapters. From Medici Florence to the underground chambers beneath St. Peter's Basilica, Gary McAvoy delivers a gripping tale of courage, betrayal, and redemption—where the past refuses to stay buried and the future belongs to those brave enough to face it.

*While part of the Vatican Secret Archive Thrillers series, The Medici Heresy is a standalone adventure that can be enjoyed by new readers and longtime fans alike.*

## EDITORIAL REVIEWS

> *"Always a fan of Gary McAvoy and his work, I gladly accepted the latest in the Vatican Secret Archives series. Never one to shy away from history and obscure documents (some of which blur the lines between real and fictionally crafted), McAvoy delivers perhaps his strongest and most comprehensive thriller to date, which I was able to devour in short order… A stunning thriller that keeps Gary McAvoy at the centre of the fictional revelations of Church truths and the desire to share it with series fans!*
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> *With a strong foundation, McAvoy delivers a stunning exploration of these secrets, wrapped in history and controversy, keeping the reader on the journey with the protagonists. Themes of revelation and reexamination of the truth fuel the momentum of the piece… McAvoy almost wrote two separate stories here, as he sought not only to create a mystery to solve, but also how the Church's reaction might take things down a new and awkward path when new revelations are permitted to see the light of day. Chapters push things along and keep the reader needing to flip pages well into the night to get to the heart of the matter.*
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> *McAvoy never shies away from controversy and surprise, which he presents with plot points embedded into the larger story. They are perfectly placed to keep unpredictable moments present and the twists plentiful, which has been a theme of the Vatican Secret Archives series from the start… I have compared him to a Steve Berry or Dan Brown in the past, which remains a firm belief of mine… I cannot wait to see where things are headed or how Gary McAvoy outdoes himself once again.*
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> *Kudos, Mr. McAvoy, for the most intense and controversial story in the series to date."*
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> —**Matt Pechey**, Reedsy Discovery