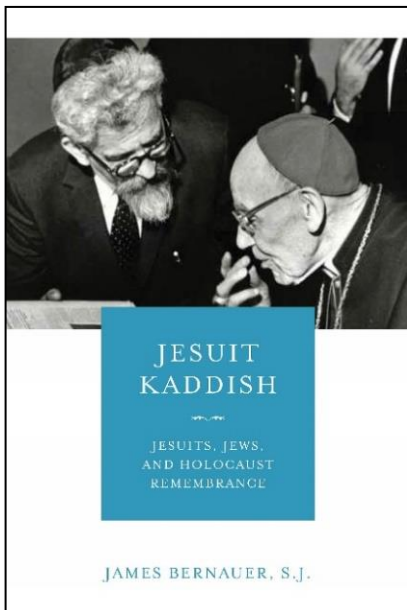


# Jesuit Kaddish:

## *Jesuits, Jews, and Holocaust Remembrance*

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**James Bernauer, S.J.**



Wednesday, Sept. 16, 2020

4:00-5:15 pm

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While much has been written about the Catholic Church and the Holocaust, little has been published about the hostile role of priests, in particular Jesuits, toward Jews and Judaism. *Jesuit Kaddish* is a long overdue study that looks at Jesuit hostility toward Judaism before the Shoah, and then examines the development of a new understanding of the Catholic Church's relation to Judaism that culminated with Vatican II's landmark decree *Nostra Aetate*. James Bernauer's study is historically accurate and spiritually ambitious in its desire to have this story of the Jesuits' relation to Jews and Judaism contribute to interreligious reconciliation.

### Respondents

**Susannah Heschel, Eli Black Professor of Jewish Studies at Dartmouth College**

**Brett McLaughlin, S.J., Ph.D. student in Theology at Boston College**

"This book is a uniquely forceful attempt by a scholar belonging to the Jesuit Order to reflect upon the anti-Jewish past of his own institution. It is a must-read for everyone interested in the relations between the Roman Catholic Church and Judaism." (David Lebovitch Dahl, University of Copenhagen)

"This is an important addition to the fields of Catholic-Jewish history, Catholicism and Nazism, and anti-Semitism in Europe." (Lauren Faulkner Rossi, author of *Wehrmacht Priests*)

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