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From Franciscan Media : Saint: Why I Should Be Canonized Right Away before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Saint: Why I Should Be Canonized Right Away:

9 of 9 people found the following review helpful. Buy more than oneBy MartyWhile I think that Lino's Canonization should wait a little longer, I do think one of the reasons he has a shot, is the way he is able to present the Truth of the Church in a funny and practical way. His work on SiriusXM's The Catholic Channel and first book Sinner is continued here. A must read for his fans and newcomers to Lino and his humor. Lino helps us look inward and takes a shot a false piety. I think a Catholic should get one for themselves and give one away! maybe it will help garner the prayers of Saint Lino! Saint Lino Patron of Kissing, Pray for Us.1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. The Everyman's Catholic Friend (and Cut-up)By M. L. AsselinIn "The Seven Storey Mountain," Thomas Merton recounts a conversation he had with his good friend, Robert Lax. Lax tells Merton, "What you should say...is that you want to be a saint.' A saint! The thought struck me as a little weird. I said: 'How do you expect me to become a saint?' 'By wanting to,' said Lax, simply."Lino Rulli wants to become a saint, and in his book "Saint" he tells you why.Rulli is an Emmy-awarding winning television and radio personality and humorist, the host of SiriusXM Radio's "The Catholic Guy Show" on The Catholic Channel. Although it's clearly evident that Rulli loves his faith, he doesn't make himself out to be a model Catholic; he's just a regular (albeit very funny) guy who has deep cultural and religious affinities for his Catholic identity.Whereas his first book, "Sinner," focuses on his falling short of the mark and then reconciling with God, "Saint" concerns falling short of the mark and then (hopefully) still making it to sainthood. Rulli's from the "Good Enough Catholic" school that might not sit well with the overly pious—a target of his humor anyway—but

draws in those fringe Catholics who just want to hear that it's cool to be Catholic. For those Catholics who are already comfortable in their Catholic skin, Rulli is the Everyman's Catholic friend (and cut-up). "Saint" is organized according to the stages of being declared a saint—Servant of God, Venerable, Blessed, and Saint. Some of the chapters are simply amusing stories (e.g., "Bacon: I Like Mine Extra Crispy"), contain poignant memories ("The Lord is My Night-Light"), and relate absurdist tales that would be hard to believe if Rulli seemed less genuine (e.g., "There," about when the teen Rulli and his father leave home practically overnight to work in a circus). Other chapters are more directly an argument for his canonization (e.g., "As for Me and My Lips, We Will Serve the Lord" and "Oh Mercy, Mercy Me"). All of the chapters feature his warm-hearted humor—as well as his big nose, about which he gets a lot of joke mileage. Clearly, the behavior Rulli describes in his books don't make him out to be a saint, certainly in any conventional way. But that's the charm and the meaning of his two books: he's telling Catholics, especially young people, that he believes in the Jesus story and message (but yes, has doubts at times), he accepts Church teachings (but often falls short in adhering to them), and that he, like most of us, is just trying to get by and live a decent life. (He wanted the ultra-famous, indecent life, but it seems not to be in store for him.) If you are still wondering whether or not to purchase this book, take note: if Jesus lived today, he'd be eating at Lino Rulli's house—and then maybe hang out at Howard Stern's place for a while. For Jesus, the cool kids were the good-hearted sinners. And I'd like to think he'd enjoy a good laugh.

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. I Like Turtles! By Jon Lino's book is exactly what Pope Francis asked for during WYD 2013 in Rio: Saints who live in the World, who deal with struggles of the World, who shine the light of Christ into the World, and who can drink beer! Lino reveals that even he struggles with the same sin and vices the rest of humanity does. What is inspiring about this book is his fight! He may get knocked down, but he always gets back up. His humorous approach can really reach out to people in ways traditional books on faith struggle with. Listeners of his show, "The Catholic Guy" on SiriusXM (Plug it in, plug it in) will understand most of his jokes, but those unfamiliar with his show will still laugh. Very good read and highly recommend this!