

The Legend of Pope Joan: In Search of the Truth



A quest for the truth behind one of history's most perplexing mysteries. The story of Pope Joan, an English woman who disguised herself as a man and became pope in the middle of the ninth century, has seized people's imagination for over a thousand years. Despite dismissals of the tale as an improbable--indeed, impossible--historical fantasy, the legend persists. Is the tale nothing more than folklore invented by Protestant propagandists determined to undermine the authority of the papacy? Or did Joan really exist, deceiving the authorities and becoming pope? As the controversy over women in the Catholic priesthood continues and the Church--which, until the Reformation, took the story of Pope Joan as gospel--dispels rumors that will not be quashed, it is time to look beyond the fantasy for facts. In this wide-ranging investigative account, which reaches from secret histories to conspiracy theories, medieval carvings to tarot cards, transvestite saints to a tale about a pope giving birth in the street, Peter Stanford delivers a major piece of historical detective work that may convince even the staunchest of skeptics.

One of the more enduring of these stories is that of Pope Joan, a story that resonates today as we wrestle with the legend of a woman who passed for male during a long over two years as pope until she gave birth in a public procession. The legend of Pope Joan, a female cleric who passed for male during a long over two years as pope until she gave birth in a public procession seems to have been published in the USA as *The Legend of Pope Joan: In Search of the Truth* (Holt, 1999). Her story is told by Peter Stanford in *The Legend of Pope Joan: In Search of the Truth*. *Includes pictures *Includes medieval and modern accounts of Pope Joan's story *Looks at the different versions of the legend. I had long been interested in this cross-dressing pope and was hoping for *The Legend of Pope Joan: In Search of the Truth* [Peter Stanford] on Amazon. *FREE* shipping on qualifying offers. A quest for the truth behind one of the most perplexing mysteries. Buy *The Legend of Pope Joan: In Search of the Truth* by Peter Stanford (ISBN: 9780805039108) from Amazon's Book Store. Everyday low prices and free shipping on this item: *Pope Joan* by Emmanuel Roydis Paperback \$14.01. Only 2 left in stock (more on Amazon.com). *The Legend of Pope Joan: In Search of the Truth*. Peter Stanford. *The Legend of Pope Joan In Search of the Truth* [Peter Stanford] on Amazon. *FREE* shipping on qualifying offers. Includes bibliographical references (p. 189-[190]) and index. The story of Pope Joan, an Englishwoman who disguised herself as a man and became pope in the middle of the ninth century, has seized people's imagination for over a thousand years. - 2 min - Uploaded by The Untold

documentary gives a brief evidences of Pope Joan who was a woman but disguised as The Legend of Pope Joan: In Search of the Truth by Peter. Stanford (review). Thomas F. X. Noble. The Catholic Historical Review, Volume 85, Number 4,: The Legend of Pope Joan: In Search of the Truth (9780425173473) by Peter Stanford and a great selection of similar New, Used and Collectible A flimsy argument for the existence of a female pope in the ninth THE LEGEND OF POPE JOAN by Peter Stanford In Search of the Truth.A quest for the truth behind one of history's most perplexing mysteries. The story of Pope Joan, an English woman who disguised herself as a man and became Pope Joan, 855857, (Ioannes Anglicus) was, according to popular legend, a woman who .. Published in the US as The Legend of Pope Joan: In Search of the Truth, Henry Holt & Company, 1999. A popularized journalistic account.Her story is told by Peter Stanford in The Legend of Pope Joan: In Search of the Truth. I had long been interested in this cross-dressing pope and was hoping for