



## **FAQs—FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS**

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### **THE PURPLES ARE COMING!**

By Ilow & Sheri Roque

#### **1. What is the most appropriate age group for THE PURPLES ARE COMING!?**

**THE PURPLES ARE COMING!** was written for children 9 years old and younger. It is meant to be read out loud and enjoyed by families all over the world. Our aim is to reinforce a lifelong love of books, of reading, and more importantly, of God and prayer. Our hope is that children growing up reading **THE PURPLES ARE COMING!** will someday look back and say: "**THE PURPLES ARE COMING!** opened up a world of prayer to me."

#### **2. What is a nihil obstat and imprimatur and why is it important?**

The Bishops of the Roman Catholic Church carefully scrutinize books published on faith and scripture, and give them their approval if nothing within them is found to be contrary to the Faith (relevant Canon Law: "Title IV: The Means of Social Communication," ¶ 822-832). The Church declares that it has the obligation to preserve Christians from deviations from the truth and to guarantee them the "objective possibility of professing the true faith without error." This is stated in the Catechism (890) of the Catholic faith.

When a book dealing with faith, morals, theology, liturgy, prayer, or Sacred Scripture is brought to the Bishop, he submits it to his diocese's Censor. If the Censor finds no problem with it he will give it his stamp, which reads "nihil obstat," or "nothing stands in the way." He then sends it back to the Bishop for review. If the Bishop finds nothing objectionable, the Bishop gives the book his "imprimatur" which means, "let it be printed."

#### **3. What is the underlying message of THE PURPLES ARE COMING!?**

1. The world is wondrously made by a loving God.
2. That we are happiest when we live in fellowship with God and with our friends.



3. That our friends are all different and that like us, they too, are wondrously made.
4. That we are all children of God.
5. That we needn't "be" nor "do" anything extraordinary to be near God and pray.
6. Praying should be a simple and joyous act of thanksgiving to God in everything we do.
7. That true childlike simplicity implies love and trust, and should be accepted on its own terms.
8. And finally, a revelation in the form of the Sacred Heart of Christ: "Blessed are the pure of heart, for they shall see God" (Mat 5:8).

#### **4. How many books are planned for The Happiness March Series?**

In addition to **THE PURPLES ARE COMING!** there are three more books in the works. The final number of books is only limited by the grace of God and the authors' imaginations.

#### **5. Are the authors available to do public readings?**

Yes. Please contact us at the following email address: [inquiry@rockhousepress.com](mailto:inquiry@rockhousepress.com).

#### **6. Are the books available in other languages?**

**Yes.** **THE PURPLES ARE COMING!** will soon be available in Spanish, and German. Our goal will be to have seven editions of each book -- representing the languages spoken in the Major Roman Catholic countries of the world: English, Spanish, German, Italian, French Portuguese and Polish.

#### **7. One of the blurbs I've read refers to the book's "poetic narrative style." Is THE PURPLES ARE COMING! a work of poetry?**

**Yes.** **THE PURPLES ARE COMING!** is a long verse poem written in both poetic and narrative verse.



**8. Can we buy THE PURPLES ARE COMING! on Amazon.com?**

**Yes.** **THE PURPLES ARE COMING!** will be available through Amazon.com middle of December 2009.

**9. Can we buy THE PURPLES ARE COMING! at our local bookseller?**

**Yes.** If **THE PURPLES ARE COMING!** is not in stock at your local bookstore, please ask them to order it, or email us at [inquiry@rockhousepress.com](mailto:inquiry@rockhousepress.com) with the name and location of the bookstore.

**10. Do any of the proceeds go to Catholic charities?**

**Yes.** Rock House Press was organized to support charities that promote Catholic Doctrine, Spirituality and Human Formation. Specifically: Apostleship of Prayer, Knights of Columbus, John Paul the Great University, and such other organizations as need and opportunity dictate.

**11. We absolutely love THE PURPLES ARE COMING! What can we do to help get the word out?**

Click the "MEDIA" link above, where you will find a flyer, press release and author information that may be forwarded to everyone you know.

- 1. TELL EVERYONE:** Share your discovery of **THE PURPLES ARE COMING!** with friends, relatives, co-workers and anyone else you think might enjoy faith-based reading.
- 2. CONTACT YOUR LOCAL MEDIA:** including local television, radio and newspaper outlets.
- 3. HANG FLYERS** of **THE PURPLES ARE COMING!** in all high traffic areas such as churches, libraries, schools and youth groups.
- 4. PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR MINISTRY!**