

The Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church and the Soviet State (1939-1950), Bohdan R. Bociurkiw, 1996, 320 pp., \$39.95.

This handsome and well-illustrated volume is a pioneering study of the suppression of the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church under Stalinist rule. Its publication last year coincided with the fiftieth anniversary of the church's official suppression in 1946. Much Soviet archival material, previously suppressed, has been supplemented by documents from ecclesiastical archives in Rome and Ukrainian church repositories in the West. The study reveals the mechanism through which the Stalin regime sought to meet its objectives regarding Ukrainian Greek Catholics and is a must read for anyone interested in the history of the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church or the suppression of religion under Soviet rule.