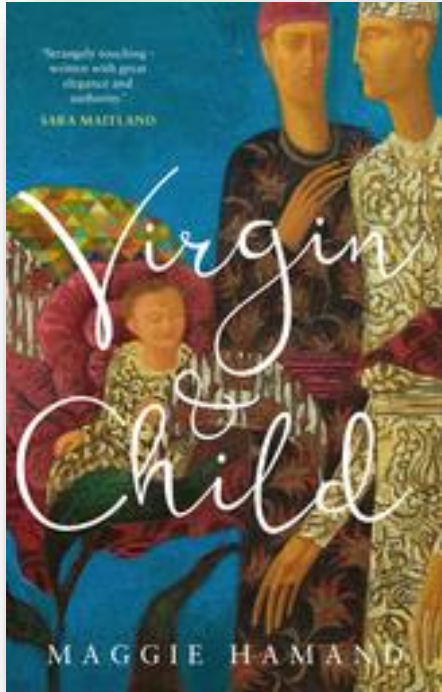




Virgin & Child

Maggie Hamand



What happens when everything you know is thrown into doubt...and you're the Pope?

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Key Sales Points:

- A timely and creative novel examining our views on gender and what it is like to be a woman
- Maggie Hamand will tour on publication.

'Strangely touching - written with great elegance and authority.' **Sara Maitland**

'*Virgin & Child* cleverly merges crime with Catholicism and piety with a dangerous love. The novel is wonderfully original and absorbing, from the halls of the Vatican to its explosive conclusion.' **Mary Flanagan.**

Description

A thrilling gender-busting story featuring the first recently elected Irish Pope, Patrick, a gentle humanitarian unaware of the subversive forces in the Vatican plotting against him.

Campaign: Widespread media reviews and a digital PR campaign linked to an author bookstore and festival tour (in liaison with a publication by Bloomsbury) highlighting the transgender and women's rights issues in the novel.

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