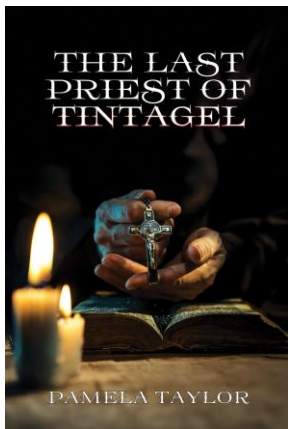




With the Texas Book Festival now in the rearview mirror, the end-of-year holiday season is upon us. Diwali has already been celebrated, US Thanksgiving looms, and Hanukkah will be here before you know it, with Christmas hot on its heels and the New Year just days later. Of course, with the various national and international "day calendars," there's something important, fun, or even quirky to celebrate pretty much any day of the year. I'm writing this on Veterans Day/Remembrance Day/*Jeu d'armistice*, and you'll most likely be reading it on National Clean Out Your Refrigerator Day or International Check Your Wipers Day. (Yeah, some of them are *really* quirky 😊)



Check out the new trailer for *The Last Priest of Tintagel*. I'm thrilled with it and can't say enough good things about ElectraFox (the company that produces my trailers). There's still time to pre-order and have the book arrive in your mailbox or ebook library on release day – which isn't really a holiday because publishers have one every week, but it definitely feels to me like a day of celebration.

The launch event is scheduled for Saturday, December 13th, at Monkey and Dog Books in Ft. Worth, Texas. If any of you are in the DFW Metroplex area, I'd be delighted to see you there. We authors thrive on chances to connect personally with readers, and I'll be signing books from 2:30 to 4:00 that afternoon. Put it on your calendar and drop by. And just to be safe, I'll post a reminder on Instagram the week before the event.

Early reviews have called the book

- Beautifully written and deeply immersive
- Rich, thoughtful, and full of heart
- A mesmerizing, unputdownable tale
- Haunting, gorgeously written historical fiction
- A story that readers of all genres will find compelling

BookLife (the reviewing arm of *Publisher's Weekly*) described it as "A memorable tale . . . comparable to Maggie O'Farrell's *Hamnet*."

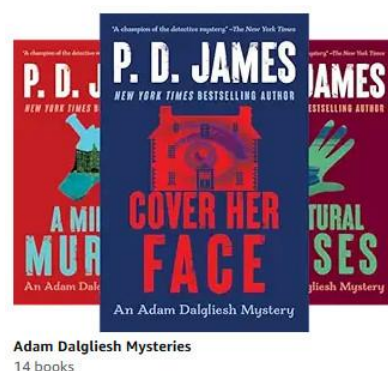
READING

I've gone back to non-fiction lately, getting some more details for the next endeavor. What's currently open on my Kindle – Ian Mortimer's *Edward III: The Perfect King* – is quite approachable, and reading it on Kindle makes it easy to search for the historical figures who appear in my story and the events they took part in.

WATCHING

Yes, I binged Season 3 of *The Diplomat*. No spoilers here for the moment, in case some of you haven't gotten to it yet. Suffice it to say, it lives up to the previous two seasons.

So I've moved on to the new Dalgliesh series, based on P.D. James's crime novels. I'd watched the original made-for-TV series back in the dark ages (the 1990s). Not binging this one – just slowly going through, episode-by-episode. In the original, Roy Marsden played Dalgliesh as rather brooding and deeply introspective. At least, that's how I remember it. In the new version, Bertie Carvel portrays him as somehow more in tune with the world around him – more open and approachable, without losing any of his intelligence or the things that inspire his poetry. I'm quite enjoying the new portrayal. Available on Acorn TV – and some PBS stations in the US are also airing it weekly.



TAY TALK



I had a birthday last month. I'm 8 now. I don't feel any older though. I can still beat Maggi in a race to the back yard tree where the squirrels live.

Mom made me a special birthday dinner – ground lamb and rice and carrots. I wish she'd do that every night, but she says we also need to eat crunchy kibble to help keep our teeth clean. I guess that's better than having to get your teeth brushed all the time. I don't like tooth brushing at all.

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In the meantime, wishing you happy reading and a happy holiday season!

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