What's On Your Nightstand
Book Recommendations for March 2022

FICTION

**Apeirogon by Colum McCann:** Two fathers, a Palestinian and an Israeli, inhabit a world of violence that colors every aspect of their lives. When both lose their daughters to the conflict they use their grief as a weapon for peace—(based on a true story)

**Beautiful Mystery by Louise Penny:** Two dozen cloistered monks live in peace and prayer and, ironically, for a community that has taken a vow of silence, the monks have become world-famous for their glorious voices. All is calm until their renowned choir director is murdered.

**Bewilderment by Richard Powers:** A grieving widowed father and his acutely sensitive, emotionally troubled 9-year-old son try to deal with upheavals - both personal and world wide.

**Grapes Of Wrath by John Steinbeck:** It's the Dust Bowl 1930s and one Oklahoma family (the Joads) have been driven from their homestead and forced to travel west to the promised land of California.

**Man Who Died Twice by Richard Osman:** Elizabeth, Joyce, Ron and Ibrahim—the Thursday Murder Club—are still riding high off their recent real-life murder case and are looking forward to a bit of peace and quiet at Cooper’s Chase, their posh retirement village….But they are out of luck.

**Orwell’s Roses by Rebecca Solnit:** A captivating account of George Orwell as gardener, lover, parent, and endlessly curious thinker

**The Paris Apartment by Lucy Foley:** The socialite... The nice guy... The alcoholic... The girl on the verge... The concierge... Everyone's a neighbor. Everyone's a suspect. Everyone knows something they're not telling.

NONFICTION

**The Woman They Could Not Silence: One Woman, Her Incredible Fight for Freedom and The Men Who Tried to Make Her Disappear by Kate Moore:** In the 1860's, Elizabeth Packard was committed to an insane asylum by her husband....why? Because she dared to have her own opinions. She fights for her own freedom and for all the women so committed.