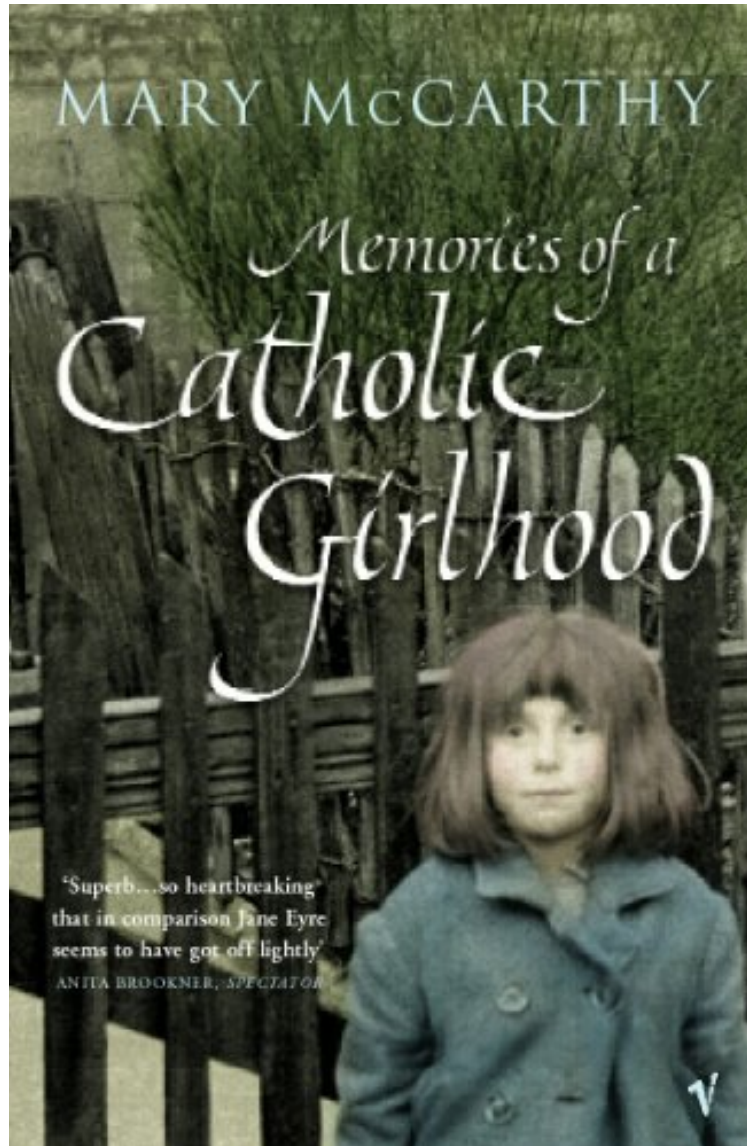


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not hesitate to be blunt about the realities of her Catholic childhood.

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