

# Contents

Preface	vii
1 <i>Scandalum Crucis</i> : The Curse of the Cross	1
2 <i>Signum Crucis</i> : The Sign of the Son of Man	25
3 <i>Inventio Crucis</i> : Discovery, Dispersion, and Commemoration of the Cross	49
4 <i>Crux Abscondita</i> : The Late-Emerging Crucifix	74
5 <i>Adoratio Crucis</i> : Monumental Gemmed Crosses and Feasts of the Cross	97
6 <i>Carmina Crucis</i> : The Cross in Poetry, Legend, and Liturgical Drama	123
7 <i>Crux Patiens</i> : Medieval Devotion to the Dying Christ	150
8 <i>Crux Invicta</i> : The Cross and Crucifix in the Reformation Period	179
9 <i>Crux Perdurans</i> : The Cross in the New World, Islam, and the Modern Era	204
Notes	223
Further Reading	255
Credits	261
Index	267