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HOUSE OF SPIES by Daniel Silva

Gabriel Allon is an agent for the Israeli intelligence agency, "The Office." Allon has a long history with "The Office" as an agent in previous novels under cover of being an art restorer, which takes him all over Europe and even Russia. At present, "The Office" is on a global attempt to thwart ISIS. After many previous missions, Allon is now Chief of the Israeli intelligence agency. However, he is right in the middle of the action which includes his agency and personnel and other international agencies to stop the sources that fund ISIS. The book is fast paced and interesting. Be sure to read the author's epilogue, which gives a very good explanation summarizing the current status of ISIS.

WHITETHORN WOODS by Maeve Binchy

Whitethorn Woods is on the edge of the Irish village of Rossmoor. Father Brian Flynn is the young local Catholic priest who narrates this contemporary story of the local inhabitants and their response to the possibility of a bypass road that would affect so many villagers. The author tells a gentle story of a more secular Ireland and the many changes therein. Current topics of spousal abuse, and opening up to its occurrence after years of denial, loss of church members, housing for seniors, and faith in a church well dedicated to St. Ann, the mother of Mary, are included.