The Regrets by Amy Bonnaffons

In order to “cross over” to the afterlife, Thomas must complete a 90-day stint on earth during which he is forbidden to get involved with a member of the living until he falls in love with Rachel, setting in motion a series of strange, troubling consequences.

The Girl with the Louding Voice by Abi Dare

Adunni, a 14-year-old Nigerian girl who longs for an education, must find a way for her voice to be heard loud and clear in a world where she and other girls like her are taught to believe, through words and deeds, that they are nothing.

Black Sunday by Tola Rotimi

Joining a new church in 1996 Lagos in the face of impoverishing losses, twins Bibike and Riyike find their bond challenged by wrenching hardships, a father's reckless choice and their respective views on independence. A first novel.

The Lost Diary of M by Paul Wolfe

A reimagining of the life of Georgetown socialite Mary Pinchot Meyer traces her marriage to a CIA chief, presidential affair and LSD experiments before her baffling murder a year after JFK’s assassination. A first novel.

Everywhere You Don’t Belong by Gabriel Bump

Raised by a civil-rights activist grandmother on the South Side of Chicago, Claude McKay Love searches for a sense of belonging before a riot compels his departure for college, where he discovers he cannot escape his past. A first novel.
**Minor Dramas & Other Catastrophes** by Kathleen West
Targeted by privileged families for her progressive educational approaches, a beloved teacher discovers unexpected common ground with a meddling parent whose inadvertent encounter with a drama student has had dangerous consequences for her family. A first novel.

**Weather** by Jenny Offill
Hired by her famous podcaster mentor to answer letters from increasingly polarized fans, a librarian who has acquired her education from a lifetime spent reading struggles between the limits of her knowledge and growing crises in the outside world.

**Molly Bit** by Dan Bevacqua
Sacrificing everything for the sake of her big break, a young actress catapults into Hollywood fame before her legacy is compromised by fallout from the decisions she made along the way. A first novel.

**Saint X** by Alexis Schaitkin
When a brief but fateful encounter brings her together with one of the men originally suspected of killing her sister, Claire, hoping to gain his trust and learn the truth, forms an unlikely attachment with this man whose life is forever marked by the same tragedy.

**Death in the Family** by Tessa Wegert
After a blood-soaked bed is discovered and a man goes missing on a storm-struck island in upstate New York, former NYPD detective Shana Merchant must investigate a possible murder. A first novel.

**The Mercies** by Kiran Hargrave
In Finnmark, Norway, 1617, after 40 fishermen are drowned in the sea, the women of the tiny Arctic town of Vardo must fend for themselves especially when a sinister figure arrives, bringing with him a mighty evil that threatens their very existence.