



RESOURCES

■ THE NUMBER OF LITURGICAL RESOURCES grows exponentially each year. Here is a list of resources that may be helpful in preparing the liturgy for your faith community.

If your favorites are missing, please e-mail the editor of *Sourcebook* (SSS@ltp.org) with suggestions for updating this list. Many parishes elect or appoint someone to serve as “librarian” to maintain published resources, order new materials, get on mailing lists, and devise a proposed budget for each project.

Here is a list of abbreviations of publishers used (some are used throughout *Sourcebook* because they are easily recognized). A list of music publishers with addresses follows.

BCL: United States Conference of Catholic Bishops’ Committee on the Liturgy (now called the Bishops’ Committee on Divine Worship, BCDW)

CB: Catholic Book Publishing Co.

CCCB: Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops

GIA: Gregorian Institute of America

ICEL: International Committee on English in the Liturgy

LP: The Liturgical Press

LTP: Liturgy Training Publications

OCP: Oregon Catholic Press

PP: Paulist Press

RCL: Resources for Christian Living

TTP: Twenty-third Publications

USCCB: United States Conference of Catholic Bishops

WLP: World Library Publications

Primary Liturgical Resources

Bendición al cumplir quince años / Order for the Blessing on the Fifteenth Birthday. USCCB, 2008. Bilingual ritual book celebrating a young woman’s passage from childhood to adult. Distributed by LTP.

Book of Blessings. CB and LP, 1989. Orders of blessing to be used in church, at home, or in

other appropriate places. It is also distributed by LTP. Click here for [Spanish](#).

Book of the Gospels. LTP, 1998. (Several other publishers publish *The Book of the Gospels*: Catholic Book Publishing Company, Midwest Theological Forum, The Liturgical Press.) Click here for [Spanish](#).

The Basic Sixteen Documents of Vatican Council II. Ed. Austin Flannery, OP. Costello Publishing, 1996. The constitutions, decrees, and declarations are provided in this volume. LTP distributes as a service to readers.

The Bible Documents: A Parish Resource. LTP, 2001. Here, the important documents on Sacred Scripture are presented with overviews by experts in the field.

The Catechetical Documents: A Parish Resource. LTP, 1996. The major catechetical documents are presented here with commentary and index.

Catechism of the Catholic Church. Second Edition. Vatican City: Libreria Editrice Vaticana, 1997. LTP distributes as a service to readers. Click here for [Spanish](#).

Ceremonial of Bishops. LP, 1989. This resource orients the user to the manner in which the liturgy (ordinary and special) seasons of the liturgical year and the sacraments are done by a bishop; this book helps the liturgist prepare for the various liturgies throughout the year. Excerpts of this document are found in LTP’s *The Liturgy Documents: Volume One, Fourth Edition*. The full version is also distributed by LTP.

Collection of Masses of the Blessed Virgin Mary. 1992. Published by LP and CB.

Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church. USCCB, 2005. Catholics’ hunger for the faith continues to grow. Pope Benedict XVI gives the Church the “food” that is sought in the 598 questions and answers in the *Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church*. This 200-page volume offers a quick synopsis of the essential contents of the faith as promulgated in the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*. Distributed by LTP. Click here for [Spanish](#).

Dedication of a Church and an Altar. Washington, DC: BCL, 1989. These are the provisional texts of dedication of a church and altar, blessing of a church, an altar, chalice and paten,



which were translated by ICEL. This volume is available through the USCCB.

Documents of the Liturgy, 1963–1979: Conciliar, Papal and Curial Texts. LP, 1982. This thorough compilation of important texts has a generous index and useful cross-references.

Eucharistic Documents for the New Millennium / Documentos Eucarísticos para el Nuevo Milenio. LTP, 2004. This bilingual (English/Spanish) volume presents *Ecclesia de Eucharistia* and *Redemptionis Sacramentum*.

Eucharistic Prayer for Masses for Various Needs and Occasions. CB, 1996. Contains the interim ICEL translation of four prefaces to be used with the Eucharistic Prayer for Masses for Various Needs and Occasions (also included)—approved for use in the dioceses of the United States by the National Conference of Catholic Bishops and confirmed by the Apostolic See. Distributed by LTP.

Eucharistic Prayers for Concelebration. CB, 1985. A handy booklet that contains all nine approved Eucharistic Prayers for use during concelebration.

General Instruction of the Liturgy of the Hours. Washington, DC: USCCB, 2001. This is also included (in addition to other liturgical documents) in *Liturgy Documents: Volume Two* published by LTP.

General Instruction of the Roman Missal (GIRM). Washington, DC: USCCB, 2002. LTP distributes as a service to readers. The GIRM is also included (in addition to other liturgical documents) in *The Liturgy Documents: Volume One, Fourth Edition* published by LTP. LTP also distributes the single volume.

Holy Communion and Worship of the Eucharist outside Mass. CB, 1973.

Lectionary for Sunday Mass. LTP, 1998/9. A three-volume set giving the Sunday readings. (There are several publishers of the Sunday Lectionary, including CB and LP.)

Click here for [Year A](#)

Click here for [Year B](#)

Click here for [Year C](#)

Click here for the [entire set](#)

Lectionary for Mass. LTP, 2002. A three-volume set giving the readings for the seasons for weekdays, Proper of Saints, the Common of Saints,

Masses for the Dead, Masses for Various Needs and Occasions, and the ritual and votive Masses. Ritual editions also available from CB and LP.

Click here for [Weekday Lectionary: Volume II, Year I Proper of Seasons for Weekdays; Proper of Saints; Common of Saints](#)

Click here for [Weekday Lectionary: Volume III, Year II](#)

Click here for [Weekday Lectionary: Volume IV](#)

Click here for the [entire set](#)

Click here for [Leccionario I](#)

Click here for [Leccionario II](#)

Click here for [Leccionario III](#)

Liturgy Documents: A Parish Resource, Volume One, Fourth Edition. LTP, 2004. This resource contains most of the major liturgical documents from Rome and the Bishops' Committee on the Liturgy. This resource contains an introduction by Monsignor Kevin W. Irwin, the revised GIRM, "Built of Living Stones," "Fulfilled in your Hearing," and other primary liturgical documents.

The Liturgy Documents: A Parish Resource, Volume Two. LTP, 1999. A companion to the first volume, including *Dies Domini*, "On Preparing and Celebrating the Paschal Feasts," and several documents on inculturation and the translation of liturgical texts.

The Liturgy of the Hours. CB, 1975–1976. The complete Liturgy of the Hours in four volumes.

Musicam Sacram. Congregation for Divine Worship, 1967. This instruction outlines the theology, principles, and laws concerning the role of music in the liturgy.

Order of Crowning an Image of the Blessed Virgin Mary. CB, 1987.

Pastoral Care of the Sick: Revised Abridged Edition (Bilingual) / Cuidado Pastoral de los Enfermos. LTP, 2004. A bilingual (English/Spanish) edition of the rites on facing pages. This is a revised and abridged edition.

Rite of Baptism for Children. LP and CB, 2004. This is the official English translation. The volume includes complete biblical readings that have been updated in accordance with the latest edition of the Lectionary for Mass. It is distributed by LTP. Click here for [Spanish](#).

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. LTP, 1998. Contains the latest translation, the *National*



Statutes for the dioceses of the United States, and documentation from the *Code of Canon Law* and the Second Vatican Council. Refer to this volume also for the rites and norms concerning the initiation of children of catechetical age and baptized candidates for reception into the full communion of the Catholic Church. Ritual editions also available from LP, CB, and the USCCB.

Rite of Confirmation. Congregation for Divine Worship: Altar Edition. The bilingual edition is available through the USCCB and is distributed by LTP. Click here for [Spanish](#).

Rite of Marriage. CB, 1970. The official rite for celebrating Marriage, revised according to the decrees of the *Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy*. Homiletic notes are included.

Rite of Penance. English ritual editions are currently out of print. However, you might find an older version published by CB, 1975. For reference and study, the complete rite (Forms I, II, and III) is published in *The Rites: Volume 1*, LP (and distributed by LTP). The [Spanish ritual edition](#) is distributed by LTP.

The Sacramentary. This 1985 edition incorporates all authorized changes and additions that have appeared since the last edition was published in 1974. We are awaiting the publication of the English translation of the 2002 edition of the Roman Missal. Until it is published, the 1985 edition is the only Sacramentary that may be used in English vernacular celebrations of the Eucharist in the dioceses of the United States of America. The current Sacramentary is published by LP and CB.

Sacramentary Supplement. This 2004 edition contains the proper texts of new memorials and feasts of the liturgical calendar approved for use in the dioceses of the United States of America. This supplement is published by CB.

Sing to the Lord: Music in Divine Worship. Washington, DC: USCCB, 2007. The latest music document from the United States Bishops. Also distributed by LTP.

Solemn Exposition of the Holy Eucharist. Washington, DC: USCCB, 1996. Also available from LP.

Study Tools

Bouley, Allan, ed. *The Catholic Rites Today*. LP, 1992. As a study edition, this is an excellent resource for parish staff, liturgy coordinators, and students of the liturgy. It takes the reader through the theology and praxis of the rites.

Beal, John, et al. *New Commentary on the Code of Canon Law*. New York: Paulist Press, 2000. This volume gives the canons, commentary, and select bibliography.

Fink, Peter. *The New Dictionary of Sacramental Worship*. LP, 1990.

Lectionary for Mass: Sundays, Solemnities, Feasts of the Lord, and the Saints, Study Edition. LTP, 1999. This convenient and comprehensive paperback volume contains all of the readings for the Sundays of Year A, Year B, and Year C and those for solemnities and feast days. All of the readings are from the *Revised New American Bible* approved for use in the United States. To help with the long-range planning of liturgy and music, you'll find many useful tables and charts, including the following: a list of all the readings in the order of the books in the Bible and where each may be found in the Lectionary; a similar index of responsorial psalms; a table of the dates of principal feasts from the year 2000 to the year 2025; a table of the dates of every Sunday in the liturgical year from 2000 to 2013; a list of the second readings for Sundays showing the continuity in proclaiming the letters of the New Testament; a list of the Gospel readings for Sundays that shows the continuity in proclaiming the Gospel according to Matthew, Mark, and Luke; a list of the three readings for each Sunday in the three-year Lectionary cycle.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, Study Edition. The paperback version of the ritual text. Available from LTP.

The Rites, Volume I and *Volume II*. LP, 1980/8. The standard study edition of the rites. Distributed by LTP.

The Weekday Lectionary, Study Edition. LTP, 2002. The approved translation of the readings for weekday Masses is now available to presiders, preachers, and faithful alike in a convenient one-volume study edition. LTP's study



edition of the weekday Lectionary, although not intended for use in the liturgy, offers many of the same features as its beautiful ritual volumes. The efficient two-column layout of the readings allows the user to view the First Reading, Gospel Reading, and the Responsorial Psalm together, with few page turns. The large, clear type—the same size found in LTP’s *Sunday Lectionary, Study Edition*—is easy to read, and the book’s lay-flat binding allows it to stay open to the correct page while the user consults other resources and takes notes for homilies and study groups.

Lectionary Resources

At Home with the Word. LTP. Families, parish staffs, and individuals can use this book to prepare themselves to hear the scriptures Sunday after Sunday and to act on them week by week. A *large print* version is also available.

Boyle, Elizabeth Michael, OP. *Preaching the Poetry of the Gospels: A Lyric Companion to the Lectionary*. LP, 2003. The author, a poet, has produced a rich yet concise book of reflections. They fall in two parts: “The Gospel Speaks,” and “The Poets Respond.”

Myers, Susan E. *Pronunciation Guide to the Sunday Lectionary*. LTP, 1998.

Wood, Goeff. *Living the Lectionary: Links to Life and Literature, Year C*. LTP, 2003. This book is written in a popular, storytelling style.

Workbook for Lectors, Gospel Readers, and Proclaimers of the Word. LTP. Published annually. An excellent pastoral resource to help lectors, deacons, and priests prepare the readings for Sunday Mass. A *Canadian version* with the NRSV Lectionary text is also available.

Liturgy of the Hours

Christian Prayer. CB, 1976. The official one-volume edition of the internationally acclaimed Liturgy of the Hours. This version contains the complete texts of Morning and Evening Prayer for the entire year.

Irwin, Kevin W. *A Guide to the Eucharist and Hours: Advent, Christmas, Lent, Easter* (four different volumes). LP. Daily commentaries for these seasons, divided into six parts: the liturgical context, the Eucharist, the celebration of the Eucharist, the Liturgy of the Hours, the celebration of the Liturgy of the Hours, and reflection.

Pope John Paul II. *Psalms and Canticles: Meditations and Catechesis on the Psalms and Canticles of Morning Prayer*. LTP, 2004. The Pope takes the reader through the psalms the Church prays at Morning Prayer (Lauds) by pointing us toward God and teaching us the faith.

Shorter Christian Prayer. CB, 1988. Contains Morning and Evening Prayer from the four-week psalter and selected texts for the seasons and major feasts of the year.

Spidlik, Thomas. *Drinking from the Hidden Fountain: A Patristic Breviary*. Kalamazoo: Cistercian Publications, 1994. Cardinal Spidlik presents brief passages from the fathers of the Church from East and West for daily use. He stimulates our reflective reading in prayer.

Taft, Robert, SJ. *The Liturgy of the Hours in East and West: Second Revised Edition*. LP, 1986. A historical and theological treatment of the development of the Liturgy of the Hours.

Zimmerman, Joyce Ann. *Morning and Evening: A Parish Celebration*. LTP, 1996. This work gives a clear explanation of the Liturgy of the Hours and offers practical ideas for its implementation in parishes.

The Liturgical Year

Adam, Adolf. *The Liturgical Year: Its History and Its Meaning after the Reform of the Liturgy*. LP, 1981. Still one of the best studies available.

Biffi, Inos. *An Introduction to the Liturgical Year*. LTP, 2009. Explains how each liturgical season reveals a specific aspect of Christ’s saving work and describes how the Church commemorates these important events through the celebration of the liturgical seasons. With every page, vivid artwork and engaging text will illuminate the



Paschal Mystery and will increase the understanding of all readers—child, convert, catechists, or parent. A great gift idea for school and church libraries, this resource is also a great supplemental text for religious education programs. Illustrated by Franco Vignazia.

Johnson, Maxwell E. *Between Memory and Hope*. LP, 2001. This book is a valuable resource because the editor pulls together pertinent essays on liturgical year.

Taft, Robert F. *Beyond East and West: Problems in Liturgical Understanding*, second revised and enlarged edition. Rome: Edizioni Orientalia Christiana, 2001. The author discusses in these essays the living tradition of the Churches. He deals with history, theology, and pastoral practice.

Talley, Thomas J. *The Origins of the Liturgical Year*, second amended edition. LP, 1991. Scholarly treatment of the history of the liturgical cycle.

Truitt, Gordon E. *A Pastoral Musician's Book of Days*. Washington: National Pastoral Musicians, 2000. This book offers a day-by-day guide for the church musician to enter into the liturgical and musical calendar.

The Year of Grace. LTP. This annual is a large poster that contains an entire calendar for the liturgical year. A smaller version is also available. See also www.YearofGrace.com.

ADVENT

Alexander, J. Neil. *Waiting for the Coming: The Liturgical Meaning of Advent, Christmas, Epiphany*. Washington: The Pastoral Press, 1993.

Brown, Raymond E. *A Coming Christ in Advent*. 1988, LP. Essays on the Gospel narratives preparing for the birth of Jesus (Matthew 1 and Luke 1).

Fling Wide the Doors. LTP, 1992. This Advent and Christmas calendar comes with a booklet of prayers for each day of the season.

Mazar, Peter. *Keeping Advent and Christmastime*. LTP, 1996. This seasonal pocket booklet aids prayer and scripture reading throughout the day.

CHRISTMAS

Brown, Raymond E. *An Adult Christ at Christmas*. 1987, LP. Essays on the three biblical Christmas stories.

Kelly, Joseph F. *The Origins of Christmas*. LP, 2004. Written for a general audience, this book clearly explains how each of the elements of our common conceptions (and misconceptions) of Christmas arose and developed through the ages.

LENT

A Lent Sourcebook: The Forty Days I and II. LTP, 1990. A collection of texts for each day of Lent, suitable for meditation and inspiration.

Mazar, Peter. *Keeping Lent, Triduum and Eastertide*. LTP, 1996. This popular booklet contains prayers and reflections for everyone to enrich his or her celebration of these holy days.

Nussbaum, Melissa Musick. *Bible Stories for the 40 Days*. LTP, 1997. Children will enjoy reading these stories (or having them read to them) and studying the illustrations by Judy Jarrett. Each day of Lent comes with its own story from the Bible.

Polak, Max. *Daily Lenten Meditations: Prayerful Reflections from John Paul II*. LTP, 2003.

Turner, Paul. *What Am I Doing for Lent This Year?* LTP, 2003. Presents Lent as a powerful opportunity for spiritual renewal. For the person in the pew. Also available in *Spanish*.

The Way of the Cross: Leader and Reader editions. LTP, 2003. Reader editions are available in three versions of the Stations of the Cross: *scriptural version*, *traditional Jerusalem stations*, *women of the Gospels* and are used to aid parishes and individuals during their Lenten journey. The *Leader's edition*, which includes all three versions, is designed for use with an assembly.

TRIDUUM

Huck, Gabe. *The Three Days: Parish Prayer in the Paschal Triduum*. LTP, 1992. This book offers advice to parishes on how to get the most out of the Triduum. Suggestions range from scheduling liturgies to making baptismal garments.



Johnson, Lawrence J. *The Three Days: A Liturgical Guide*. FDLC, 2001. Distributed by OCP. A commentary on the Triduum with discussion questions.

The Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ. Prepared and with notes by George R. Szews. LTP, 1999. Readings for Years A, B, and C, as well as the Passion according to Saint John for use on Good Friday. Includes notes on proclamation and music, as well as a pronunciation guide. Click here for [Spanish](#).

Turner, Paul. *What Am I Doing for Triduum This Year?* LTP, 2003. A do-it-yourself retreat for the sacred three days. Written for the person in the pew. Also available in [Spanish](#).

EASTER

Cantalamessa, Raniero, OFM, CAP. *The Mystery of Easter*. LP, 1993. Theological reflections on Easter in the Bible, the Fathers, the liturgy, and Christian life, from the preacher to the papal household.

———. *The Mystery of Pentecost*. LP, 2001. Pentecost is presented by the author from the viewpoint of Luke in Acts, John the evangelist, and Paul in his letters. The author gives solid Catholic teaching and devotion as he talks about the Holy Spirit.

Chupungco, Anscar, OSB. *Shaping the Easter Feast*. Pastoral Press (available through OCP), 1992. Scholarly essays on the origins of Easter, from a renowned expert on liturgical history and inculturation.

An Easter Sourcebook: The Fifty Days. LTP, 1988. A collection of historical texts suitable for reflection and inspiration for every day of the season.

The Sacraments and Pastoral Care

ANOINTING OF THE SICK AND PASTORAL CARE

Catholic Handbook for Visiting the Sick and Homebound. The essential resource for lay ministers of care, especially Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. This portable, annual resource contains all the official rites a lay minister will need from the *Book of Blessings* and *Pastoral Care of the Sick* to bring the Eucharist to and pray with those who cannot regularly worship with their parish community: children, adults, the suffering, as well as the dying and those who mourn. This book can be used with people suffering with various addictions and those who have been abused physically or emotionally, including rape victims. This book includes Communion in Ordinary Circumstances; Communion in a Hospital or Institution; simple, pastoral introduction to help navigate the rites by S. Genevieve Glen, OSB; Gospels for Sunday and holy days of obligation (Year A); list of patron saints. It also includes Orders for the Blessing of the Sick; Order for the Blessing of a Person Suffering from Addiction or from Substance Abuse; Order for the Blessing of Parents after a Miscarriage; visits to the sick and to a sick child; celebration of Viaticum outside Mass; Pastoral Care of the Dying; explanations of the reading to share. Also available in Spanish, which is adapted for the needs of Hispanic communities.

BAPTISM

Fitzgerald, Timothy E. *Infant Baptism: A Parish Celebration*. 1994, LTP. A pastoral guide for preparing and celebrating the Baptism of infants in the parish setting.

Johnson, Maxwell E., Ed. *Living Water, Sealing Spirit Readings on Christian Initiation*. 1995, LP. An ecumenical collection of essays on Christian initiation from a number of liturgical scholars.

Mick, Lawrence. *Living Baptism Daily*. LP, 2004. This book on baptismal spirituality could serve for private reflection or group process. It



includes discussion questions and suggestions for leaders.

Turner, Paul. *Your Child's Baptism*. LTP, 1999. A pamphlet-sized book for parents and godparents, answering common questions in a clear, easy-to-understand format.

Rojcewicz, Rebekah. *Baptism Is a Beginning: Bilingual Reproducible Handouts for Infant Baptism Preparation*. LTP, 2009. Bilingual resource for Baptism preparation. This book with CD-ROM provides parishes with all they need to prepare parents and families, godparents, and sponsors for the Baptism of a child and for continuing support and formation after the Baptism. Eighteen different pamphlets can be reproduced for distribution to families and are enriched by the insights of Sophia Cavaletti, founder of the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd.

CONFIRMATION

Come, Holy Spirit. Vibrant prayer book for Confirmation candidates. Published by LTP.

Fischer, J. D. C. *Christian Initiation: Confirmation Then and Now*. LTP, 2005. In this reissue of his classic study of the sacramental rite of Confirmation, Fisher examines what the early rite of Confirmation consisted of and what grace it was believed to confer in the period when there is undisputed evidence of the rite's existence.

Fitzgerald, Timothy. *Confirmation: A Parish Celebration: Revised Edition*. LTP, 1999. A pastoral guide for preparing the rite of Confirmation.

Spirit Alive: Exploring Mission, Ministry, and Service with Youth. From *Celebrating the Lectionary*, this annual resource captures the enthusiasm and altruism of the youth of your parish and grounds them in a love of liturgy that will last throughout their lives with these engaging tools for liturgy-based youth ministry. Activities provide excellent resources for confirmation classes and preparing for mission/service trips. Available in *print* and on *CD-ROM*.

Turner, Paul. *Confirmation: The Baby in Solomon's Court, Revised Edition*. LTP, 2005. This book presents seven models of Confirmation: Christian Initiation of Adults, Chrismation, Protestant–Anglican Churches, Catholic Initiation, Confirmation of Children, Adolescent Confirmation, and Persons in Danger of Death.

The chapter presentations cover how each model developed and how each model interprets the meaning of Confirmation. This book has been revised to include developments in other Christian Churches, especially in regard to the catechumenate; thinking on the Rite of Reception into the Full Communion of the Catholic Church in light of *Dominus Jesus* and recent research; and discussions in light of the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*.

EUCCHARIST

Baker, J. Robert and Barbara Budde. *A Eucharist Sourcebook*. LTP, 1999. A collection of historical texts suitable for reflection and inspiration on the Eucharist.

Driscoll, Jeremy. *What Happens at Mass*. LTP, 2004. A pastoral approach to the theology of the Mass. An excellent resource for pastoral teams and laity alike.

Irwin, Kevin. *Models of the Eucharist*. Paulist Press, 2005.

Mick, Lawrence E. *Forming the Assembly to Celebrate Mass*. LTP, 2002. An excellent resource for worship committees, pastoral staff, and adult formation, this book includes questions for reflection and discussion as well as clear explanations of various aspects of liturgical celebration.

Mitchell, Nathan. *Cult and Controversy: The Worship of the Eucharist Outside Mass*. LP, 1990. A theological and historical look at the Eucharist as meal, sacrifice, and devotion.

McGuckian, Michael, SJ. *The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass: A Search for an Acceptable Notion of Sacrifice*. LTP, 2005. A coherent look at the notion of sacrifice as it is applied to Catholic Eucharistic theology. This resource is appropriate for pastoral ministers, students of sacramental theology, and for other interested parties because of its directness and accessibility.

Smolarski, Dennis C., SJ. *How Not to Say Mass, Revised Edition*. New York: Paulist Press, 2003.

———. *Q & A: The Mass*. LTP. The essays in this book first appeared in *Rite* magazine published by LTP. It clears up misconceptions and deals with liturgical issues in a pastoral and balanced manner.



Turner, Paul. *A Guide to the General Instruction of the Roman Missal*. LTP, 2003.

MARRIAGE

Prayerbook for Engaged Couples, Second Edition. LTP, 2004. Invites and assists couples to read, discuss, and choose scriptures that will be proclaimed at their wedding. It also helps couples to learn to pray and reflect together on God's word, a practice that will sustain them throughout their married lives. The book presents readings for the Rite of Marriage, prayers from the most recent revision on the Lectionary, prayers from the rite, and a brief reflection (with questions for discussion) on each reading and prayer.

Covino, Paul, ed. *Celebrating Marriage: Preparing the Wedding Liturgy: A Workbook for Engaged Couples. Revised Edition*. OCP, 1994.

Don y promesa: Costumbres y tradiciones en los ritos matrimoniales hispanos / Gift and Promise: Customs and Traditions in Hispanic Rites of Marriage. OCP, 1997.

Fleming, Austin. *Parish Weddings*. LTP, 1987. A pastoral guide to the parish celebration of the Rite of Marriage.

Turner, Paul. *The Catholic Wedding Answer Book: ML. Answers to the 101 Most Asked Questions*. Resource Publications, 2001.

———. *Preparing the Wedding Homily: A Guide for Preachers and Couples*. Resource Publications, 2003.

RECONCILIATION

Dallen, James. *Reconciling Community: The Rite of Penance*. LP, 1992. An academic work detailing the history and theology of the Rite of Penance.

Dallen, James and Joseph Favazza. *Removing the Barriers: The Practice of Reconciliation*. With an introduction by Aidan Kavanagh, this book is more than historical rehash or a blueprint for the future. It calls us to talk about, rethink, and continue to take another look at the way we do things, to forsake the security of the familiar and to take a new road home. Published by LTP.

Hughes, Kathleen, and Joseph Favazza. *A Reconciliation Sourcebook*. LTP, 1997. The parable of the prodigal son provides a framework for this collection of texts.

Stasiak, Kurt, OSB. *A Confessor's Handbook*. New York: Paulist Press, 1999. The author covers basic principles, practice, and special situations when celebrating the sacrament of Penance. Two useful appendixes are the 1997 "Vademecum for Confessors Concerning Some Aspects of the Morality of Conjugal Life" and a guide for using the book in seminary.

Turner, Paul. *Preparing for Confession: Receiving God's Mercy*. LTP, 2005. This little booklet helps each of us prepare a thoughtful, deeply felt confession and receive God's mercy in the sacrament of Reconciliation. Whether you prefer to approach the sacrament privately during your parish's weekly scheduled times or through individual confession in the midst of a communal penance service, this booklet will open you up to the richness and power of this sacrament. Available in *English* and *Spanish*.

CHRISTIAN FUNERALS

Cieslak, Bill. *Console One Another: Commentary on The Order of Christian Funerals*. The Pastoral Press, 1990.

Gilmore, Peter, and David A. Lysik. *Now and at the Hour of Our Death: Important Information Concerning My Medical Treatment, Finances, Death and Funeral*. LTP, 1999. A workbook to use in pastoral settings with individuals and families who are dealing with end-of-life issues and the pre-planning of funerals.

Rutherford, Richard. *Death of a Christian. Pueblo*. LP, 1980. Commentaries regarding a Catholic theology of death and the reformed funeral rites.

———. *Honoring the Dead: Catholics and Cremation Today*. LP, 2001. The author surveys the Catholic idea of cremation and presents recent directives concerning this practice.

Smith, Margaret. *Facing Death Together: Parish Funerals*. LTP, 1998. This book contains not only a good presentation of the Order of Christian Funerals, but also shares pastoral insight into grief and ministry to the bereaved.

Children and Youth

Biffi, Inos. *An Illustrated Catechism*. LTP, 2008. Experience anew the power of Catholic teaching and open doors of understanding for those unfamiliar with the Church through this beautifully illustrated book. Illustrated by Franco Vignazia.

Cavalletti, Sofia, et al. *The Good Shepherd and the Child: A Joyful Journey*. Catecheis of the Good Shepherd/LTP, 1993.

———. *Living Liturgy: Elementary Reflections*. Catecheis of the Good Shepherd/LTP, 1998.

———. *The Religious Potential of the Child: Experiencing Scripture and Liturgy with Young Children*. Catecheis of the Good Shepherd/LTP, 1992.

———. *The Religious Potential of the Child 6 to 12 Years Old*. Catechesis of the Good Shepherd/ LTP, 2002.

Children's Daily Prayer. LTP. This annual publication offers simple prayers for children as part of the school day or their religious education session. It includes prayer for every day of the school year. This year's edition comes with a free copy of *We Learn About Mass Teaching Edition: Handbook for Teachers and Catechists*.

Children's Liturgy of the Word. A Weekly Resource. LTP, 2009. Written by Maureen Kelly, an internationally recognized expert in catechesis and the celebration of the Liturgy of the Word with children, this resource provides liturgy preparation pages and liturgy guides for every Sunday and holy day of obligation. The prayer leader is provided with everything he or she needs to effectively lead children in a prayerful and fruitful celebration of the Word. Available in *paper* or *CD-ROM*. This resource is part of *Celebrating the Lectionary*.

Garido, Ann. *Mustard Seed Preaching*. LTP, 2004. Ways to preach at liturgies with children.

Jeep, Elizabeth McMahon. *Blessings and Prayers through the Year: A Resource for School and Parish*. LTP, 2004. This hardcover, illustrated book of prayer services touches many important moments for children through the liturgical year. It includes two music CDs.

Mazar, Peter. *School Year Church Year: Customs and Decorations for the Classroom*. LTP, 2001. This creative resource will help you bring the cycle of the liturgical year into the classroom in new ways.

Moore, Gerard. *We Learn About Mass*. LTP, 2009. This cost-effective resource is for use with second, third, fourth, and fifth graders preparing for their first Holy Communion or Christian initiation. The perfect supplement to any diocesan approved religious education text book, it is also a helpful resource for parents looking for ways to discuss and guide their child through the liturgy. Also available in *Spanish*.

More, Gerard, with additional material by Jean Marie Hiesberger. *We Learn About Mass Teaching Edition*. LTP, 2009. This teaching edition for the children's book, *We Learn About Mass*, instructs teachers, catechists, and parents with notes and ideas on how to teach the meaning of the Mass to children. For easy reference, this book has reprinted each page of the children's version and placed the teacher's notes in the margins. Special notes and activities for each age level (second through fifth grade) have also been included. Also available in *Spanish*.

Philippart, David. *Serve God with Gladness: A Manual for Servers*. LTP, 1998. An easy-to-use training book for kids detailing the role of the server. Complete with charts and pictures.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

Birmingham, Mary. *Year-Round Catechuminate*. LTP, 2003. This book takes you through the whole liturgical year, going beyond a school-year model, to implement the full vision of Christian initiation.

Clay, Michael. *A Harvest for God: Christian Initiation in the Rural and Small-Town Parish*. LTP, 2003. Much has been written about Christian initiation, but most of it is written from the perspective of the large urban or suburban parish. People in rural areas and small towns live in a culture different from those in cities and suburbs, and the ministry to catechumens and candidates should reflect those differences. In this book Michael Clay offers practical, step-by-step insights into implementing the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults in a way that is





faithful to the rite and respectful of rural culture. Anyone who ministers in a rural or small-town catechumenate will find this book a valuable aid in his or her work.

Duggan, Robert, et al. *Celebrating the Rites: A Practical Guide*. Allen, TX: RCL, 2001. A detailed manual to help prepare, celebrate, and reflect on the rites of Christian initiation. It includes notes on the rites adapted for children and baptized candidates, bulletin inserts, and an appendix on Baptism by immersion.

Johnson, Maxwell E. *The Rites of Christian Initiation*. LP, 1999. An interdisciplinary study of the sacraments of initiation. Accessible and pertinent to parish work.

Morris, Thomas H. *The RCIA: Transforming the Church: A Resource for Pastoral Implementation (Revised and Updated)*. Paulist Press, 1997. A guide to implementing the RCIA in your parish.

NCCB Committee on Evangelization. *Journey to the Fullness of Life: A Report on the Implementation of the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults in the United States*. USCCB, 2000. An interdisciplinary report on the practice of the RCIA in the United States.

Steffen, Donna, sc. *Discerning Disciples: Listening for God's Voice in Christian Initiation*. LTP, 2004. A new edition of chapters on the issues of discernment in helping people to accept Catholic faith and work of RCIA.

Turner, Paul. *Hallelujah Highway: A History of the Catechumenate*. LTP, 2003. In this exciting book Paul Turner relates the history of the catechumenate through the stories of people and documents that played a significant role in developing the rites and recording its development from the earliest days of the Church to the present. Quotations from the documents, maps, and photos of significant places and artifacts enrich and enliven the story. A comprehensive index and a helpful bibliography make this book immensely useful for pastoral ministers, Christian initiation teams, adult education classes, students, scholars, and Church historians.

Turner, Paul. *When Other Christians Become Catholic*. LP, 2007. A historical, theological, and pastoral approach to this current question.

Understanding Christian Initiation. A new pamphlet series from LTP, which provides an overview of the sacraments of initiation and the steps in the process of this journey. Give the pamphlets out at faith formation sessions or make them available in the back of the Church. Also available in Spanish.

Yarnold, Edward, sj. *The Awe Inspiring Rites of Christian Initiation: The Origins of the RCIA*. LP, 1994. A sound historical approach that should be on every liturgists shelf for easy reference.

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Bishops' Committee on the Liturgy. *Thirty-five Years of the BCL Newsletter*. Washington, DC. USCCB, 2004. This indispensable resource is ideal for every parish. The hard cover collection of the *BCL Newsletter* includes a 103-page index.

Blake, Joan. *Signing the Scriptures: A Starting Point for Interpreting the Sunday Readings for the Deaf, Year C*. LTP, 2003. This translation into American sign language is intended to help those who proclaim the scriptures in sign language. There is a separate volume for each year of the lectionary cycle.

Catholic Pocket Prayers. This mini-pamphlet series from LTP provides simple prayers for the needs of your liturgical ministers: "Prayers for a Lector," "Prayers for a Singer," "Prayers for an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion," "Prayers before the Blessed Sacrament," and "Prayers in Honor of Our Lady of Guadalupe." You can purchase them individually or in packs of 25. Each pamphlet is also available in Spanish.

Capon, Robert Farar. *The Foolishness of Preaching: Proclaiming the Gospel against Wisdom of the World*. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 1998. Gives the tools necessary for preparing a homily and keeping the preacher's attention focused on Jesus Christ.

Daily Prayer. An annual resource published by LTP, which provides an order of prayer for each day of the liturgical year.



Davis, Kenneth G., and Jorge L. Presmanes. *Preaching and Culture in Latino Congregations*. LTP, 2000.

DeLeers, Stephen Vincent. *Written Text Becomes Living Word: The Vision and Practice of Sunday Preaching*. LP, 2004. What is Catholic about Catholic preaching? This book weaves a vision from the Church's documents and illustrates the qualities of good preaching by using practical examples.

Ditweg, William T. *101 Questions and Answers on Deacons*. New York: Paulist Press, 2004. An accessible tool that covers the basic questions of a deacon's role and ministry in the Catholic Church today.

Huels, John M. *Empowerment for Ministry: A Complete Manual on Diocesan Faculties for Priests, Deacons, and Lay Ministers*. New York: Paulist Press, 2003. The author goes through the faculties needed for ministry in the Catholic Church. A helpful resource that outlines the boundaries and responsibilities exercised.

International Theological Commission. *From the Diakonia of Christ to the Diakonia of the Apostles*. LTP, 2004. This meaty work from a subcommittee of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith is a "Historico-Theological Research Document" on the diaconate in the Church today.

Liturgical and Daily Mass Reading Reference. LTP; annual resource that works like an ordo. This portable booklet is a simple resource that anyone who follows or prays with the daily Mass readings can use throughout the liturgical year, beginning with the First Sunday of Advent.

Magrassi, Mariano. *Praying the Bible: An Introduction to Lectio Divina*. LP, 1998. An excellent resource for those preaching the Good News.

Paprocki, Joseph, and D. Todd Williamson. *Let the Mystery Lead You! Bringing Catechesis and Liturgy Together*. 2002, Twenty-third Publications. An exploration into and breaking open of the basic liturgical elements of Catholic ritual and liturgy, especially the Sunday Eucharist and the Liturgical Year.

Philibert, Paul J, OP. *Stewards of God's Mysteries: Priestly Spirituality in a Changing Church*. LP, 2004. This book presents the results of a study by the National Federation of Priests'

Councils on the spirituality of the American priest.

Prayer of the Faithful / Oración de los fieles. English, Spanish, and bilingual (English/Spanish) PDFs available for download. Prayers available for each Sunday and holy day of obligation; continually updated to be new and timely, serving your parish's needs.

Ryan, G. Thomas. *The Sacristy Manual*. LTP, 1993. Very clear and detailed information for those who work behind the scenes to prepare for liturgy. This book includes numerous checklists and should be required reading for those who care for the liturgical environment. Although published in 1993 and not currently up to date, this is still an essential resource.

Thiron, Rita. *Preparing Parish Liturgies*. LP, 2004. The author summarizes and categorizes all the liturgical documents, then cross-references them and provides lists of those to consult for any given celebration.

Wisdom, Andrew Carl, OP. *Preaching to a Multigenerational Assembly*. LP, 2004. This book attempts to bridge the generation gap in preaching, drawing on recent research in marketing and communication theory.

The Word to Go / La palabra para llevar: Bilingual Weekly Handouts for Faith Sharing. LTP; annual resource. Encourage faith formation and spiritual reflection in small groups or at home with The Word to Go/La palabra para llevar. These easily reproduced, double-sided 8½" × 11" bilingual Spanish and English handouts can be used in faith formation groups, taken to the sick or homebound, handed out for use at home, or included in the parish bulletin. Available in [paper](#), [download](#), or [CD-ROM](#). This resource is part of [Celebrating the Lectionary](#).

THE LITURGICAL MINISTRY SERIES

Guide for Cantors. Jennifer Kerr Breedlove and Paul Turner. LTP, 2007. This book offers sound advice to cantors for dealing with the practical everyday challenges of parish liturgies, and it nurtures spiritual growth in the minister. Inside you'll find a pastoral, inviting format and style; a basic theological foundation of the ministry; liturgical catechesis about the minister's role during the Mass; a brief history of the ministry; encouragement for deepening the spirituality



of the minister; generous quotations from the documents of the Church; detailed, practical instruction for carrying out the ministry; suggestions for further formation; frequently asked questions; advice for responding to unusual or difficult circumstances; a resource list; a glossary; questions for reflection or discussion; and prayers.

Guide for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. Kenneth J. Riley and Paul Turner. LTP, 2007. This resource offers sound advice to Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion for dealing with the practical, everyday challenges of parish liturgies, and it nurtures spiritual growth in the minister. Also available in *Spanish*.

Guide for Lectors. Virginia Meagher and Paul Turner. LTP, 2007. This resource gives lectors the background and tools they need to study, pray, and proclaim scripture well, and it offers sound advice for dealing with the practical everyday challenges of parish liturgies, while also nurturing spiritual growth in the minister. Also available in *Spanish*.

Guide for Ministers of Liturgical Environment. Mary Patricia Storms and Paul Turner. LTP, 2008. An essential new resource that provides a theological and historical overview of the liturgical environment while giving extremely practical tips for enlivening the worship space during each liturgical season.

Guide for Music Ministers. Jennifer Kerr Breedlove and Paul Turner. LTP, 2007. Provides a theology of ritual music while giving music ministers practical training in order to serve the musical needs of the assembly.

Guide for Sacristans. Corinna Laughlin and Paul Turner. LTP, 2008. Provides a basic walk through the Church, the Mass, and the rites so that sacristans may prepare accordingly.

Guide for Ushers and Greeters. Karie Ferrell and Paul Turner. LTP, 2008. Ushers and greeters need training so that they are able to respond graciously to the needs of everyone who comes through the doors of your church. This book will help aid with the formation of these important ministers.

SPANISH PASTORAL RESOURCES

El Año de Gracia. The Spanish edition of the Year of Grace calendar. Available in both poster and notebook sizes.

Evangelio. An annual resource distributed by LTP containing the Gospel of the day from the Daily Mass, prayers, and catechetical notes.

Los Documentos Litúrgicos, un recurso pastoral. LTP. Spanish translation of primary liturgical documents.

Manual católico para visitar a los enfermos. Translation based on the English *Catholic Handbook for Visiting the Sick and Homebound*. This book includes the official rites for lay ministers as found in the *Cuidado Pastoral de los Enfermos: Ritos de la Unción y del Viático (Pastoral Care of the Sick)* and the *Bendicional (Book of Blessings)*. The readings are taken from the Mexican Lectionary.

Manual para proclamadores de la palabra. The Spanish version of Workbook for Lectors, available annually from LTP.

Misal Anual. An annual missal distributed by LTP.

Palabra de Dios. Similar to *At Home with the Word*, this annual resource from LTP is written especially for Spanish-speaking communities in the United States, and includes the Sunday scripture readings as found in the Mexican Lectionary, a reflection on one of the readings for study or discussion, and questions to stimulate and guide the user.

Gospel According to Luke Resources

LaVerdiere, Eugene, sss. *The Annunciation to Mary: A Story of Faith, Luke 1:26–38*. LTP, 2005. An artistic and theological treatise on the Annunciation.

———. *Dining in the Kingdom of God: The Origins of Eucharist according to Luke*. LTP, 1994. This book makes the connections between Eucharist, the stories of the Gospel, and the worshipping assembly. It is about the gathering of the Church to celebrate in memory of Christ

and to identify and work with the issues of the Gospel that lead to the kingdom of God.

———. *The Firstborn of God: The Birth of Mary's Son, Jesus, Luke 2:1–21*. LTP, 2007. LaVerdiere's last work, which presents a liturgical analysis of the Lukan birth narrative, thus "rediscovering" the story of Christmas for an adult audience. It unveils the mystery of the Passion, death, and Resurrection as key to understanding the Incarnation, the birth of Jesus Christ. We tend to experience the Gospel accounts of Jesus' birth separate from his death and Resurrection. However, as LaVerdiere demonstrates, we not only celebrate Jesus' birth at Christmas, but his entire life. By meditating on Christ's birth, we recognize that "the Passion and Resurrection bring out the full meaning of Jesus' birth." This discovery connects us to the rich tradition found in the Gospel stories.

Powell, Mark Allan. *What Are They Saying about Luke?* Paulist Press, 1989. An excellent introduction to the Gospel account of Luke. The author summarizes the opinions of over forty scholars, identifying significant trends in the study of Luke.

Senior, Donald, and John J. Collins, ed. *Catholic Study Bible, Second Edition*. Oxford University Press, 2005.

Brown, Raymond E., ss. *An Introduction to the New Testament*. Doubleday, 1997.

Bergant, Dianne, General Editor. *The Collegeville Bible Commentary Based on the New American Bible*. The Liturgical Press, 1992.

Karris, Robert J., OFM. *The Collegeville Bible Commentary Based on the New American Bible*. The Liturgical Press, 1992.

Hiesberger, Jean Marie. *The Catholic Bible Personal Study Edition*. Oxford University Press, 1995.

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Brown, Raymond E., ss. *Christ in the Gospels of the Ordinary Sundays*. The Liturgical Press, 1998. An examination of the Gospels during Ordinary Time.

Mary, Mother of God



Cantalamessa, Raniero, OFM, CAP. *Mary: Mirror of the Church*. LP, 1992. The author explains the teaching of Mary for the reader. He also encourages Christians to not only be devoted to Mary, but to also imitate her.

Haffer, Paul. *The Mystery of Mary*. LTP, 2004. The author explains the theology and doctrine concerning Mary.

LaVerdiere, Eugene, sss. *The Annunciation to Mary: A Story of Faith, Luke 1:26–38*. LTP, 2004. An in-depth examination of the Annunciation of Mary in salvation history.

Rees, Ruth. *The Rosary in Space and Time*. Chicago: LTP, 2004. History and insight about the Rosary.

Storey, William G. *Mother of the Americas: A Novena in Honor of Our Lady of Guadalupe*. LTP, 2003. This series of prayers culminates on December 12.

A Sourcebook about Mary. LTP, 2002. A collection of texts suitable for reflection and inspiration about the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Anthologies of Saints

Burns, Paul. *Butler's Lives of the Saints*, 12 vols. LP. This is a new, full edition of the saints' lives according to the calendar year.

Farmer, David. *The Oxford Dictionary of Saints*. Oxford University Press, 1997. Contains excellent essays on all the saints in the universal Roman Catholic calendar as of its date of printing. Includes biographical information and history of their relics and cult. Special attention is given to saints of the British Isles.

Lanzi, Fernando, and Gioia Lanzi. *Saints and Their Symbols: Recognizing Saints in Art and in Popular Images*. LP, 2004. This lavishly illustrated book by two art historians from Bologna contains a fine introduction, short biographies of saints from every era, and an index of the saints' attributes.



McGrath, Michael O'Neill, OSFS. *Patrons and Protectors: Volume 1: Occupations*. LTP, 2001; *Volume 2: More Occupations* (2002); *Volume 3: In Times of Need* (2003). A series of picture books by a contemporary artist, offering essays from various writers on the relevance of the saints today.

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Alsobrook, Joseph. *Pathways: A Guide for Energizing & Enriching Band, Orchestra & Choral Programs*. GIA Publications, 2002. An indispensable tool for music educators, filled with practical advice and bursting with ideas to keep music interesting for students. Worth getting just for the insightful "About the Author."

Bell, John L. *The Singing Thing: A Case for Congregational Song*. GIA, 2000. A whimsical and convincing encouragement for singing at church.

Boccardi, Donald, SM. *The History of American Catholic Hymnals Since Vatican II*. An excellent overview of the hymnals parishes use for singing, this resource also gives a crash course in some of the musical and liturgical developments since the Second Vatican Council.

Conable, Barbara. *The Structure and Movement of Breathing: A Primer for Choirs and Choruses*. GIA, 2000. Explains how the body sings effectively.

Dalley, John A. *Swift Currents and Still Waters*. GIA, 2000. This collection of new hymn texts can be sung to familiar tunes.

Haas, David. *Music and the Mass*. LTP, 1998. An excellent walk through the Mass with commentary specific to the role of liturgical music.

Herbert, Rembert. *Entrances: Gregorian Chant in Daily Life*. New York: Church Publishing, 1999. A practical resource that discusses and

introduces English adaptations of chant for parochial life.

Hommerding, Alan J. *Blessed Are the Music Makers: Warmups for the Musician's Spirit*. WLP, 2004. This versatile resource for leading prayer with choir members and other music ministers includes litanies, gathering prayers, and scripture selections.

Joncas, Jan Michael. *From Sacred Song to Ritual Music: Twentieth-Century Understanding of Roman Catholic Worship Music*. LP, 1997.

Kodner, Diana. *Handbook for Cantors*. LTP, 1997. This updated approach to the roles, skills, and spirituality of the cantor discusses what a cantor should know about the raw materials of singing (breathing, posture, projection, articulation, and interpretation) as well as gestures, eye contact, and the liturgy itself.

Petrinak, Stephen, and Kathleen Felong. *Beyond Strumming: A Liturgical Guitar Method Series*. GIA, 2000. This useful series helps the liturgical musician play more effectively. It comes with a CD.

Ruff, Anthony OSB. *Sacred Music and Liturgical Reform: Treasures and Transformations*. LTP, 2007. A high-level study of liturgical music in the reforms of the Second Vatican Council. A must-have for all music directors and students of Church/liturgical music.

Schaeffer, Edward. *Catholic Music through the Ages: Balancing the Needs of a Worshipping Church*. LTP, 2008. This work traces the development of the Church's music through the ages by placing the current liturgical musical landscape into proper historical context. By highlighting the common principles that the Church has used over time in addressing the expressive and formative dynamic of music, this work is able to present an informed discussion about the future so that the elements of spiritual solemnity, transcendence, and beauty will be maintained, along with the expressive nature of contemporary music.

Tietze, Christoph. *Hymn Introits for the Liturgical Year: The Origin and Early Development of the Latin Texts*. LTP, 2005. This book will help pastors, music directors, and seminarians understand the introit texts for practical use in today's liturgies. The introit chant is the last of the Mass propers to be researched in detail.



Here Tietze presents their history and development through the ages. He has also composed performable congregational settings of the proper parts of the Mass for the liturgical year. WLP publishes the companion hymnal, *Hymn Introits for the Church Year*.

Westermeyer, Paul. *The Heart of the Matter: Church Music as Praise, Proclamation, Story, and Gift*. GIA Publications, 2001. A retreat for church musicians, helping them appreciate the gift they share with worshipping communities.

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Mazar, Peter. *To Crown the Year: Decorating the Church through the Seasons*. LTP, 1995. This excellent resource will help those responsible for church decorations to make tasteful seasonal choices.

Signs and Symbols

Chauvet, Louis-Marie. *The Sacraments: The Word of God at the Mercy of the Body*. LP, 2001. Contemporary theological and ritual study of the sacraments. Expounds upon the reality of symbol, moving beyond the scholastic and metaphysical understanding.

Fischer, Balthasar. *Signs, Words & Gestures*. LP, 1990. A set of homilies for children on key ritual elements of the liturgy, by a great liturgical scholar.

Klein, Patricia S. *Worship Without Words: The Signs and Symbols of our Faith*. Brewster, MA: Paraclete, 2000. An accessible survey of the liturgical signs and symbols that Christians use in the Sacred Liturgy. The author uses scripture and tradition in explaining sacramental elements.

Richter, Klemens. *The Meaning of the Sacramental Symbols: Answers to Today's Questions*. LP, 1990. A lively discussion of popular questions about how Catholics celebrate the sacraments, and what they mean.

Periodicals

Actualidad Litúrgica. Mexico: Buena Prensa. Published six times a year by the Bishops' Liturgical Commission of Mexico, the journal is informative and formative when it comes to the parochial liturgy. It is accessible and worth the investment (Apartado M-2181, 06000 Mexico, D.F., Mexico; www.buenaprensa.com).

Assembly: A Journal of Liturgical Theology. LTP. Since 1978, this newsletter of the Notre Dame Center for Pastoral Liturgy has offered those who prepare liturgy an accessible yet challenging resource for their continuing formation. Each issue examines a particular aspect of the liturgy. Cutting-edge theologians and pastoral liturgists share their insights and their passion in this recently expanded and revamped periodical. Each issue is 16 pages and is a good source for the continuing education of liturgical ministers. Published six times a year.

Catechumenate: A Journal of Christian Initiation. LTP. This periodical presents articles on a variety of topics to enhance your understanding and celebration of the rites of initiation. Published six times a year.

Chicago Studies. LTP. This journal is designed for those working in pastoral ministry. Three times a year (Spring, Summer, and Fall/Winter), *Chicago Studies* gives you several major articles grouped around a particular concern of the Church and her ministry, various short articles, and reflections.

Ephemerides Liturgicae. Published quarterly by the Centro Liturgico Vincenziano, this periodical provides insights into liturgical theology and practice.

GIA Quarterly. GIA. Articles pertinent to liturgical music preparation. Includes a week-by-week music schedule.



La Vita in Cristo e nella Chiesa. An Italian liturgical magazine published by an association of the Daughters of St. Paul for the purposes of liturgical formation and information. The context of this work is the parish. The feature articles include scripture reflections, liturgical music selections, reflections on the liturgical, and more. (Via Portunese, 739, 00148 Rome, Italy; abbonamenti.vita@pddm.it.)

Ministry and Liturgy. Resource Publications. A liturgy magazine for members of the pastoral team.

Newsletter of the Bishops' Committee on the Liturgy. Washington: United States Catholic Conference. Timely information on liturgical developments and regulations in the United States. Contact the Liturgy Secretariat at 3211 Fourth Street NE, Washington, DC 20017-1194; 1-202-541-3060.

National Bulletin on the Liturgy. Canadian Catholic Conference. Published four times a year. Helpful background on many liturgical topics. Contact Novalis, PO Box 990, Outremont, Quebec H2V 4S7; 1-800-668-2547.

Notitiae. Congregation for Divine Worship and the Disciple of the Sacraments. Vatican City State: Libreria Editrice Vaticana. A resource that provides liturgical documentation, commentary, and a chronicle in English, Italian, and Latin.

Pastoral Liturgy® (formerly *Rite* magazine). LTP. Published six times a year. Using the liturgy as its source, this magazine has been intentionally designed to be of service to the whole parish, with resources for leaders and parishioners, those who are just beginning to learn about liturgy, and those who are seasoned volunteers and professionals. Pastors, parish staffs, liturgy committees, catechists, musicians, architects, and everyone seeking to learn more about how the liturgy forms and informs all of parish life will find this resource a valuable support to understanding the liturgy more fully and incorporating it as the source for all they do.

Today's Liturgy. OCP. Quarterly magazine with articles and week-to-week music preparation suggestions.

Videos and DVDs

A History of the Mass. LTP, 2001. This DVD traces the evolution of the Mass and tells how the Mass was shaped and reshaped by times and cultures, by theologies, and by the arts. You will see the visual record of our past and hear from witnesses along the way, people who were engaged in the conversation about the meaning and celebration of Sunday Mass. When the DVD ends, the conversation continues—with you and those you work with. This resource is for everyone, but it is especially useful for high school and college students, catechumens, campus ministry, liturgy committees, liturgical ministers, and members of the parish and school staffs. Spanish subtitles are included.

Sommers, Audrey. *Lector and Gospel Reader Workshop: A Resource for Bringing God's Word to Life.* LTP, 2005. This interactive video workshop on *DVD* and *VHS* combines the liturgical and spiritual aspects of being an effective lector with public speaking techniques. The workshop addresses the role of the lector according to Vatican II and provides the latest information on the *General Instruction of the Roman Missal*. Participants will learn breathing techniques and will recite scriptural tongue twisters and word emphasis exercises before proclaiming a reading on camera for group critiques. The kit contains all instruction, promotion, and marketing materials electronically for a parish to have a successful workshop. It also provides prayers and valuable handouts for home study.

Our Catholic Wedding. LTP, 2001. This video shows one couple's active involvement in the preparation of their wedding liturgy. Viewers, including newly engaged couples, their parents, family, and friends will have the chance to see what meetings with the parish priest and musicians are like. Then they will see the options one couple selected for the opening procession, vows and rings, prayers, music and songs, and the nuptial blessing.



Web sites

LiturgyHelp.com is a service of GIA publications.

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United States Conference of Catholic Bishops Secretariat for the Liturgy: www.usccb.org/liturgy/.

If you're tired of cutting and pasting melodies once you've obtained reprint rights, Oregon Catholic Press, GIA, Hope, and other publishers offer you printandpraise.com, a library of downloadable print music, hosted by OCP.

For the Liturgy of the Hours consult <http://www.universalis.com>.

Need information on the saints? Consult

www.catholic.org/saints or <http://www.catholic-forum.com/saints/indexsnt.htm>.

For *Prayer of the Faithful: Intercessions for Your Faith Community* go to <http://www.LTP.org/prayerofthefaithful> or www.ltp.org/oraciondelosfieles/.

For an explanation of the liturgical year go to: www.YearofGrace.com.

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