EUCHARISTIC MINISTER (EU) – Ministry of Communion

The Ministry of Communion (Archdiocese of Kingston Guidelines)
The Liturgical Commission of the Archdiocese of Kingston
These Guidelines are prepared to guide parishes in their choice and appointment, as well as the preparation of special ministers of the Eucharist. It also provides guidance for the distribution of Communion under both kinds, bringing Communion to the sick and the reception of communion by the faithful. (1987) 12EU.ARCH

Eucharistic Bread-Baking As Ministry
If you would like to “do something,” but are too shy to read or give communion, here is a chance to use simple gifts -- baking and praying -- in your own kitchen. The result will deepen your spiritual life and enrich the congregation. This book contains recipes, tips for ingredients, and an interesting backround section on the history of bread used in the Eucharist. 12EU.BEGO

An Important Office of Immense Love: for Eucharistic Ministers
By: Joseph M. Champlin, PUBLISHER: Paulist Press
This book gathers together all the information lay people will need in order to function as Eucharistic ministers. Designed for newly-appointed ministers and for those with long experience, it provides historical background on the office, theological and ritual training, and spiritual enrichment for lay persons who serve at the altar or who carry the Eucharist to shut-ins. 12EU.CHAM

Broken & Poured Out: A Spirituality for Eucharistic Ministers
Richard Gaillardetz, Ph.D.
This booklet discusses the communal aspects of liturgy, the real presence of Christ in the Eucharist, the idea of Eucharist as sacrifice, and the role of the Eucharistic minister.

I Like Being in Parish Ministry: Eucharistic Minister
By: Nancy Gaudette
Here Nancy Gaudette lays a foundation of tradition and church teaching for the eucharistic minister. She builds on the importance of knowing what we represent as a minister of the eucharist, and shows how the work carries over into our everyday lives. 12.GAUD

The Ministry of Communion
Michael Kwatera, O.S.B.
Both those who prepare lay people to serve as special ministers of Holy Communion and the men and women who accept an invitation to serve the people of God in this ministry will benefit from this booklet. Fr. Kwatera provides a short history of this ministry and then offers directives on how to minister the Eucharist to the assembly at Mass or apart from Mass and to the sick and confined in their homes. 12EU.KWAT

Ministers of the Lord's Presence: Eucharistic Ministers' Edition
By: Carol Luebering PUBLISHER: St. Anthony Mess. Press
This booklet invites Eucharistic ministers to reflect on their role as minister of the Lord's presence in bread and wine. It offers both a general history of and spiritual enrichment for this lay ministry. Both newly commissioned ministers and experienced ministers will appreciate this book's emphasis on continuing spiritual formation through prayer and reflection. 12EU.LUEB

The Body of Christ
Experienced ministers will appreciate this book’s emphasis on continuing spiritual formation and find it a source of revitalization of their ministry. Those preparing to accept the office will benefit from the practical guidelines for ministering the Eucharist in church, at home, in a hospital or nursing home. *The Body of Christ* also deals with the pastoral skills and techniques that will enable the Eucharistic minister to be a channel for the healing power of the Eucharist and illustrates how in its many forms, this ministry can provide the highest form of service. 

**Guide for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion**  
Kenneth Riley and Paul Turner  
Liturgy Training Publications, 2007  
You'll want all of your Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion to read this new guide. Appropriate for training new extraordinary ministers or for updating experienced ones, this book may be used by individuals or groups. It conveys the latest teachings of the Church, gives sound advice for dealing with the practical, everyday challenges of parish liturgies, and nurtures spiritual growth in the minister. 

**The Ministers of Holy Communion**  
Caroline M. Thomas  
This booklet gives an overview of the liturgy and of the ministers’ role in it, a brief history of the development of what is now called the extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion, and a brief look at the various aspects of what Eucharist means. Included is a descriptive list of the most common items needed in the ministry as well as a discussion of some of the main techniques to make this ministry meaningful to the minister and those to whom they minister. 

**Guide for Ministers of Communion**  
By: Victoria Tufano  
This book is a basic guide for those who distribute the Eucharist in the Sunday assembly and for those who bring holy communion to the sick or homebound. It is a solid introduction for those new to this ministry and will also help veteran ministers of communion deepen their appreciation of the importance and dignity of their ministry.