BOOKS on PARISH(es) and Liturgy Committees

Tomorrow's Parish: Choosing Your Future
Archdiocese of Chicago, 1998
This workbook contains important bench-marks, evaluation models and numerical reference points that are the planning tools of ‘Tomorrow’s Parish’. They represent the direction toward which the Church aspires in parish life and are meant to be a source of energy for renewed effort. 36.ARCH

We Gather in Christ: Rediscovering Our Identity as Assembly
The Worship Office of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati
This book is intended to help promote study and discussion which will lead to the identification of specific ways to help parishioners come to a deeper appreciation of what it means to be a member of the assembly, gathered for worship. 36.ARCH

The Liturgy Committee Handbook
Thomas Baker and Frank Ferrone
Twenty-Third Publications, 1998
Whether your parish already has a liturgy committee, or you're just trying to get a new group off the ground, this book is the one resource designed to keep any committee focused, organized and enjoying itself. Filled with practical advice based on years of parish experience, this Handbook will help your committee discover how to define its charter and mission in the parish; how to organize itself to meet and work productively; how to find effective members and leaders for the group; how to stay focused on its most important agenda items; and how to deal with its inevitable challenges and occasional disappointments. In addition it provides a basic overview of what liturgy is and how it works. 36.BAKE

Liturgy Committee Basics: A No-nonsense Guide
Thomas Baker and Frank Ferrone
The Pastoral Press, 1985
Filled with practical directions, this book tells how to organize your meeting, set your agenda and establish the size and scope of your committee. While focused on parish liturgy committees, every church committee member will find the handy guide invaluable. Its discussion of meeting procedures and dynamics applies to other groups, including your parish council, finance committee and school board. 36.BAKE

Creating Small Faith Communities
Arthur Baranowski
St. Anthony Messenger Press, 1988
This is the story of a pastor's vision of Church and a parish's journey to renewal. Fr. Baranowski brought the church into the homes of his people by restructuring his parish into Small Basic Christian Communities. The people of his parish do not just go to church, they are church. 36.BARA

The Parish of the Next Millennium
William J. Bausch
Twenty Third Publications, 1997
Fr. Bausch is a gifted author who summaries the social and cultural forces that shape our lives and our church by pulling together current research and issues that indicate where we are and where we might be going. A great resource to help individuals and groups discern the current movements in their parish and to begin planning the kind of spiritual and operational posture their parish should take on in the future. 36.BAUS

The Total Parish Manual
William J. Bausch
Twenty Third Publications, 1996
In this innovative, imaginative, and empowering work, Fr. Bausch shares ways to make today's parish a
vibrant and collaborative community. Filled with anecdotes, descriptions, examples and step-by-step procedures to help the reader implement the ideas expressed in this book. For all who work in any type of parish ministry. **36.BAUS**

**Facilitating with Ease!**  
Ingrid Bens  

Now anyone can become a great facilitator. If you need to facilitate productive, effective meetings with skill and authority, then this package is definitely for you. It contains the same easy-to-follow instructions, techniques, and hands-on tools the author has used to teach thousands of team leaders, consultants, supervisors, and beginning managers how to facilitate with ease. Complete with worksheets on CD-Rom that can be customized to fit your personal needs, it's a complete facilitation workshop in take-home form. **36.BENS**

**Re-Imagining the Parish**  
Patrick J. Brennan  
Crossroad Publishing 1990

This work is primarily a discussion of how Roman Catholic parishes in the United States can respond to contemporary needs by developing small intentional communities that enable adult conversions, growth, and nurturing of others in faith. Informed by knowledge of Latin American and African base communities as well as by North American models, Brennan advocates faith that is relational, intellectual, active, and imaginative. His discussion of personal images of faith and seductive images from the culture, of marriage enrichment and "growing married," will be of interest beyond the Roman Catholic audience Brennan addresses. **36.BREN**

**Creating a Partnership in Faith** (Catholic Family Series)  
Thomas Bright & John Roberto  
Don Bosco Multimedia, 1992

Designed as a planning tool with specific program ideas and resource listings organized around the six ways of sharing faith and the family life cycle. A resource for the entire parish staff or parish council to develop an overall parish partnership plan. **36.BRIG**

**How to Form A Parish Liturgy Board**  
Yvonne Cassa and Joanne Sanders  
Liturgy Training Publications, 1987

Preparing good liturgy is a big responsibility. One person usually cannot attend to all the various tasks of liturgy that require consistent attention. Many parishes have found success with a liturgy board. The ideas and worksheets found here have been shaped by trial, evaluation and dialogue, and will enable you to create the structures and organization that lead to fruitful liturgy preparation. This nuts-and-bolts, step-by-step book will show you how to build and maintain a structure that serves both the parish and its liturgy. **36.CASSA**

**The Search for Christian Unity**  
Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales, 2002

A major new resource for ecumenical dialogue, which seeks to make the Vatican's *Directory* more accessible. Chapters examine the Catholic Church's commitment to Christian unity; official structure which support this; education, formation and worship; and the practical details of Christians working, witnessing and sharing in dialogue together. **36.CBCEW**

**Justification by Faith Through Grace**  
CCCB  
Concancan, 1999

Joint Declaration on the Doctrine of Justification. Study Resources for Congregations and Parishes. **36.CCCB**
The Parish Pastoral Council
Guidelines for the development of constitutions. 36.CCCB

Generations of Faith
Canadian Ministry Development
An innovative approach to parish faith formation that involves all generations in learning and growing together through their experience and participation in church life. Includes introductory video. 36.CMD

Goal Setting for Liturgy Committees
AUTHOR: Stephanie Certain and Marty Meyer PUBLISHER: Liturgy Training Pub.
What's a parish liturgy committee to do? This workbook will help answer that question. New committees will find a way to focus on the needs of the parish. Established committees can look at their accomplishments and struggles and plan for future growth. Faltering committees can rebuild themselves using these ideas and exercises. (1981) 36.CERT

Making Your Pastoral Council Work: A Planning Guide for Parishes
Ron Cork Novalis, 2007
An essential tool for all those involved in the ongoing life of a Catholic parish. This hands-on, user-friendly resource for parish councils is filled with how-to's, worksheets, charts and concrete examples. Whether your pastoral council is well established or brand new, whether your parish is large or small, rural or urban, this book will help your council to plan well and be effective. 36.CORK

Creating Small Christian Communities
Barbara A. Darling
Practical step-by-step suggestions and creative insights to help those who seek new forms of community. 36.DARL

Getting a Grip On Your Group
Barbara A. Darling
Presenting a complete overview of Small Christian Communities formatted with prayer, scripture, reflection questions, and practical suggestions. 36.DARL

Prayer Services for Parish Councils
Designed for parish councils but is appropriate also for other parish groups. It provides services for ten council meetings that will nourish the faith-life of the council members. 36.EIME

I Like Being in Parish Ministry: Pastoral Council
Mark Fischer
The author extends a straightforward invitation to pastoral parish council members and those thinking of being a part of the council to be informed participants. With practical suggestions and clear definitions, he opens the window on the spiritual as well as the action dimensions of this ministry. 36.FISC

Preparing for Liturgy
Austin Fleming
This book offers a way of understanding and practicing the work of preparing – not planning – the church’s liturgical prayer. 36.FLEM

Parish Celebrations: A Reflective Guide for Liturgy Planning
Dennis J. Geaney, OSA and Dolly Sokol Twenty Third Publications, 1983
This guide initiates the two-fold process of informing and forming those at the local church most centrally involved in preparing, celebrating and evaluating the liturgical life of the parish. It is a book of wonderful models and suggested techniques written in a warm and friendly style with thought-provoking questions at the end of each chapter. 36.GEAN

The Complete Parish
Thomas Gull
World Library Publications, 2003
In this book you will find that you probably have all the right data in your parish to do wonderful ministry without spending extra dollars and extra time. You will also find keys to unlock all these various files in order to develop, fund, explain, publicize and change your parish for the better. 36.GULL

The Parish Emergency Kit: Responding with compassion when tragedy strikes
Kathy Hendricks
When a local tragedy shocks the parish, people ask, “Where is God?” and they come to the parish looking for answers. Drawing on her own experiences helping parishes cope with shock and tragedy, the author presents effective pastoral ideas for offering compassion and care to those who are grieving, suggestions for liturgical responses, and ways to pray when prayer seems impossible. 36.HEND

Liturgy with Style and Grace
Gabe Huck and Gerald T. Chinchar
A no-frills book about the church’s worship. An introduction for persons becoming active in liturgical ministry and a refresher course for those long involved. Discussion questions and helpful quotations from a variety of sources involve the individual reader or the study group to a lively dialogue. 26.HUCK

A User-Friendly Parish
Judith Ann Kollar
Twenty-Third Publications, 2001
Parish leaders, staff, ministers, and various committee members will find this volume a simple, solid, common-sense guide to making their parish more welcoming and user-friendly. 36.KOLL

The Postures of the Assembly during the Eucharistic Prayer
John K. Leonard and Nathan D. Mitchell
The authors have gathered a wealth of historical material about the significance of posture in the Graeco-Roman world; the religious values of standing, kneeling and prostration; posture during ritual meals during the time of Jesus and the early church; and the evolution of posture in the liturgy from the patristic era to the present. 26.LEON

Inviting Catholics Home: A Parish Program
Sally L. Mews
Liguori Publications, 2002
This book is about Catholics returning home, a six-week support program that is aimed at helping Catholics return to the Church. The program uses a nonjudgmental approach that is designed to recognize the feelings of each participant, and to help all participants understand that they are not alone. This book will prepare you to take part in one of the most rewarding ministries in the Church today, a ministry of reconciliation and healing. 36.MEWS

Together As Parish
Dolores A. Mortimer
Ave Maria Press, 1992
A unique and complete approach to reaching out to families, to supporting and nourishing them within the parish. Parent Support Groups, Mother's Morning Out, Days of Recollection, Marriage Enrichment Evenings, and Parish/Family Celebrations are just a few of this treasure trove of ideas. Easily
implemented and/or adapted to specific needs and situations, it involves the whole parish in helping young families to become an active vital part of church life. 36.MORT

Promoting Liturgical Renewal: Guidelines for Diocesan Liturgical Commissions and Offices of Worship
Bishops’ Committee on the Liturgy

Topics range from the Role of the Bishop in Worship, Liturgical Co-workers with the bishop; functions of local structures; models of local organizations etc. (1988) See # 13.089 36.NCCB

We Miss You: An Outreach Program for Inactive Catholics
We Miss You outlines a complete outreach program to inactive Catholics, developed by Omaha Archdiocesan Commission on Evangelization. From team training to strategy planning, small group sessions to parish involvement, including referral networks, We Miss You provides all the elements needed for designing and implementing a successful outreach to inactive Catholics. More than 70 pages of reproducible material to support these outreach activities: scripts for public service announcements, press releases, lesson plans and handouts for six support group meetings, and more. 36.OUTR

Church on the Move
Joe Paprocki
Loyola Press, 2016
This book offers 52 practical strategies for moving parishes forward, principally by focusing on the one thing the Church can offer that the world at large cannot: Jesus Christ. 36.PAPR

The Parish: Where God's People Live
Archbishop Daniel E. Pilarczyk
This book describes the life of the typical Catholic parish. It outlines the relation of the parish to the greater church, how it is structured, how it reaches out to the people and beyond them to the community. 36.PILA

How to Establish a Parish Council
A step-by-step program for setting up parish councils. 36.RYAN

Parish: A Place for Worship
Edited by Mark Searle
The Liturgical Press, 1981
This book offers various perspectives as a number of themes emerge. 1. The hierarchical and institutional model of Church and parish seems to be in big trouble. 1. The laity's active participation in the liturgy requires their participation in all areas of parish life. 3. Parishes are becoming increasingly conscious of their accountability to the wider human community. 4. Liturgies will be more diverse, decision-making less centralized, resources and talents of the local people more widely utilized. 5. The parish must hand on a living tradition, acknowledging the past as it takes its bearings for the future. 36.SEAR

Liturgy Committee Handbook: A Nine-Week Study Guide
Editor: Virginia Sloyan
The Liturgical Conference, 1971
This book guides the reader through a carefully conceived nine-week course of study with concise presentations of the theology, the philosophy and the scripture of worship. It is intended to be a manual for the parish committee that wants to learn the things they need to know to make it happen in their corner of the globe - to celebrate the news the, the marvelously good news, of Jesus Christ. 36.SLOY

Changing Pastors
Thomas Sweetser, S.J., Mary McKinney, O.S.B.
Sheed & Ward, 1998
The co-authors offer the reader a dynamic, graced and practical way to involve the people of God in the process of pastoral transitions. This book offers hope for the future of both parishes and pastors.

**Leadership in a Successful Parish**  
Thomas Sweetser, S.J. & Carol Wisniewski Holden  
Based on the authors' extensive research and experience, *Leadership*... offers clear, specific ideas for strengthening parish leadership skills. Sweetser and Holden - define the structure and workings of parish staffs and councils - provide models for more effective structures and efficient operation of a parish - identify ways to more fully involve laity in parish life and work - outline methods by which a parish can build a successful ministry team - offer helpful lists of “do's” and “don't's” that increase productivity. This book offers sound guidance to all church leaders who want to develop structures, liturgies and programs that accurately reflect their parish's priorities and goals.  

**Guide for Liturgy Committees**  
Paul Turner and Michael R. Prendergast  
Liturgy Training Publications, 2009  
You'll want every member of your liturgy committee or worship team to read this new guide. Effective for training those new to the committee and for rejuvenating the work of veterans, this book can be used by the entire group or by individual members. It gives members of the committee the tools they need to pray, study and prepare the liturgy. This book will be a valuable resource to help your entire parish pray fully, consciously and actively.

**Community and Growth**  
Jean Vanier  
This is a brilliant series of ‘starting-points for reflection’ on the nature and meaning of community.  

**A Common Sense for Parish Life**  
Two publishers join to challenge themselves and parish staff and council members: Are we acting like this is a business or a church? What's a church supposed to look like in this time and place? What is the common sense of our life as a parish? The special concentration is on the relationship between the liturgy and catechesis and the struggle to love justice and serve the world's needs.

**Go! Do the Same**  
Nancy Vendura, C.S.J.  
Paulist Press, 1992  
Sr. Vendura has provided a practical guide for following through on the words of Jesus, “Go! Do The Same.” Here are new, exciting ideas for parishes to implement in reaching out with compassion to the grieving, the homebound, the poor and the alienated. Sr. Vendura tells the reader: how to start an Outreach Program; how to recruit volunteers; how to locate people in need; how to minister to them. Included in this book are all the forms and invitations one would need to implement this highly original but simple program.

**Practical Suggestions for Celebrating Sunday Mass**  
Eugene Walsh, S.S.  
1978, Pastoral Arts Associates of North America  
For Parish Committee Members, Priest-Celebrants, Readers, Music Ministers, Parish Acolytes, Ushers, Eucharistic Ministers and everyone else concerned about good worship in Catholic parishes.

**Becoming a Parish of Intentional Disciples**
Sherry Weddell
In this book the author has gathered experienced leaders and collaborators, whose field-tested wisdom and enthusiasm for transforming Catholic parishes into centres of discipleship and apostolic outreach is both inspirational and practical. 36.WEDD

A Struggle for Holy Ground
Michael Weldon
This book results from thirty-five interviews with participants in the 1989 consolidations of ten parishes in Chicago and two parishes in San Francisco. It explores the roles of ritual and pastoral care in this sometimes highly conflicted situation through the lens of trauma and reconciliation. It proposes a series of new rites: group reconciliation, atonement, lament, leave-taking, memorial, and inauguration based on the experience of the people most impacted by parish restructurings. 36.WELD

Rebuilt: The Story of a Catholic Parish
Michael White and Tom Corcoran
The leaders of Church of the Nativity in Timonium, Maryland, came to three realizations. In their words: Our parish wasn’t working; We didn’t know how to fix it; We can learn from churches that are getting it right. Drawing on the wisdom gleaned from thriving megachurches and innovative business leaders while anchoring their vision in the Eucharistic heart of Catholic faith, Fr. White and lay associate Mr. Corcoran present the compelling and inspiring story of how they brought their parish back to life. 36.WHITE

A Catechumenate Needs Everybody
Edited by James A. Wilde
Seven ministries for everyone in the parish - evangelization, hospitality, Sunday assembly, prayer, discernment, peace and justice, catechist - make the first seven chapters of this workbook necessary study for all. Thirteen other chapters - catechumen, sponsor coordinator, sponsor, catechumenate director, ordained presider; lay presider, deacon, bishop, spiritual director, homilist, liturgist, musician, mystagogue - benefit specific people or groups. Practical suggestions and difficult questions are discussed in relation to the mystery of God’s love in Christ. 36.WILDE

Parish Catechumenate: Pastors, Presiders, Preachers
Edited by James A. Wilde
The authors offer sound guidelines for that baptismal renewal to which the scriptures and the Second Vatican Council call every person and every parish. 36.WILDE

Planning for the Third Millennium
James A. Wilde
For church ministers and all who take part in Sunday worship, this book pulls together parts of the complex ministry puzzle to prepare for Christianity’s third millennium. This handbook recommends suggestions based on true stories, useful insights, honest questions and practical examples. 36.WILDE
BOOKS - ART AND ENVIRONMENT (Liturgy)

Environment and Art in Catholic Worship
National Liturgical Office (Ed.)  PUBLISHER: USCCB Publications
Although first printed in 1977, this little book has excellent guidelines and photos to assist any parish that considers renovating their worship space or building a new one. BOOK #15.001

Environment and Art in Catholic Worship
Bishops’ Committee on the Liturgy  PUBLISHER: NCCB
First printed in 1977, this book has been updated with more recent photos or renovated or newly built churches. Excellent guidelines to assist any parish that considers renovating their worship space or building a new one. (1986) BOOK #15.001

Environment and Art Letter: A forum on Architecture and the Arts for the Parish
David Philippart,(ed)  PUBLISHER: Liturgy Train. Pub
This bimonthly newsletter focuses on the place where the church assembles: our arts and architecture, our theory and practice. Each issue is packed with a marketplace of goods and services, announcements, an in-depth article, color photos and much more. Volume I - present. #15.002 (see periodical shelf)

Building and Renovation Kit: For Places of Catholic Worship
Bill Brown, AIA (ed)  PUBLISHER: Liturgy Train. Pub
Divided into five sections: Introduction; Process, Tools, Resources and Guidelines. These booklets are the result of materials already published but the authors. Building a new church is a one-in-a-lifetime project, so much research, study and discussion needs to be done before beginning. This kit could serve to get you on your way. (1982) BOOK #15.003

Through the Eye of a Rose Window
Richard Vosko  PUBLISHER: Resource Publications
As a guide to the many Church documents on the worship environment, Through The Eye of A Rose Window will appeal to pastors, design committees, liturgists and laypersons - anyone concerned with creating prayerful spaces. In this book, Richard Vosko gives special attention to the factors which make buildings a better place for prayer and ritual.(1981) BOOK #15.004 (2 copies)

The Ministry of Liturgical Environment
Thomas G. Simons and James M. Fitzpatrick  PUBLISHER: The Liturgical Press
There should be something special about everything that is seen, heard, touched, smelled, and tasted in liturgical celebrations. Any object which is fake, cheap, or shoddy is clearly inappropriate. Anything that pretends to be other than what it is, be it a person, a cup, a table or sculpture, has not place in the celebration of the rites. Emphasis on quality and appropriateness pulses through this booklet, which stresses reverence and dignity for the liturgy and the space prepared for its celebration. (1984) BOOK #15.005
Clothed in Glory - Vesting the Church
David Philippart, (ed)  
Here is a delightful collection of essays and photos on the church's textiles: vesture for people, for the altar, even for the building. Ronald Zawilla provides an informative history of vestment types. Judy Kensei Dioszegi provides a pattern for worthy baptismal garments for adults and some banner basics. John Dioszegi gives you practical tips and diagrams for hanging banners and mobiles. Linda Schapper reflects on vesting the coffin. Connie Cassani Beard provides an introduction to the why and how of using textiles in Church. Mark Scott teaches us how to appreciate the banners of the master Norman Laliberté. Lynn Lautz offers advice on commissioning textile artists. G. Thomas Ryan tells us all about altar cloths and other linens. David Philippart even provides some notes on and pictures of prayer rugs. And Mickey Wright offers a comprehensive guide to the care of all these wonderful things. (1997) BOOK #15.006

Environment and Art in Catholic Worship
Bishops' Committee on the Liturgy  
PUBLISHER: NCCB
Although first printed in 1978, this little book has excellent guidelines and photos to assist any parish that considers renovating their worship space or building a new one. (A number of updated copies © 1986 in both English and Spanish and with more modern photos are available c.f. # 15.001) BOOK #15.007

Shaping a House for the Church
Marchita Mauck  
PUBLISHER: Liturgy Training Pub.
This book proposes that a church building has a double responsibility. It must both reflect and form a people. The place itself shares the mission of the liturgical assembly to be a sign, witness and instrument of the reign of God. All who have concern and responsibility for the places of liturgy must look at exactly what the assembly does, at its rites and how and why they are celebrated. It is whose actions that must shape the house for the church. This book is intended for pastors and building committees, architects, artists and all who become involved in the designing or renovation of places for worship. (1990) BOOK #15.008

The Banner Book
Betty Wolfe  
PUBLISHER: Morehouse-Barlow
Lots of creative ideas for deciding when, where, how, and why to use banners. When these ideas have been made then the size, shape, and message can be determined. Many excellent ideas also for color, design, fabrics, construction and trimmings. (1974) BOOK #15.009

See His Banners Go
Joanne Marxhausen  
PUBLISHER: Concordia Publishing
Banners are events. They add a sense of festivity and bring fresh meaning to old and familiar occasions. This idea book helps you make banners for many of these special times. In it you'll find: simple instructions on banner making, with some suggested designs for hems and edges; suggested banner designs (colours indicated) for every occasion; devotional thoughts on every celebration and remarks on the meaning behind each banner. See His Banners Go gives you many ideas for more interesting worship or fun group projects in your church or classroom. And it can spark creative devotions at home too! Once you try these ideas, you see: these banners not
only decorate - they have something to say! BOOK #15.010

Saints, Signs and Symbols
Ellwood W. Post

PUBLISHER: Morehouse-Barlow
This book contains excellent drawing combined with the most terse descriptive writing possible. Contains monograms for many religious topics: saints, crosses, flowers, the Church Year, Scripture. and a host of other things. BOOK #15.011

Banner Designs for Celebrating Christians
Jane Debord, and Linda Isbell

PUBLISHER: Concordia Publishing
Banner Designs for Celebrating Christians is a fresh look at new designs for use in celebrating the seasons of the church year and other special occasions. Whether the user of this book is a beginner or a seasoned veteran, there is much here to delight and help those making banners. Along with each banner design there is an inspirational message that can be used as a personal meditation or shared with the entire congregation as the banner is hung. There are 40 new designs with additional information on textures and colours, the place and purpose of banners, how to scale to size, construction, lining as well as the little extras that make a banner special. BOOK #15.012

Clip Art Books* :

15.013 Clip Art for Celebration and Service (Nelson, Gertrud Mueller)

Decorations for 44 parish Celebrations
Bernadette Snyder, McCarver and Terry Hazelmai McCarver

PUBLISHER: Twenty-Third Publ Parish worship environments now come alive with altar and gift table decoration suggestions that are simple to duplicate and your parish and generate a thoughtful excitement as parishioners enter the Church for liturgy. The authors' illustrated and clearly explained decorations enhance seasonal, liturgical, civic and personal celebrations for the community from one end of the year to the other. (1983) BOOK #15.014

Banners Without Words
Jill Knuth

PUBLISHER: Resource Publications
Church banners communicate ideas, suggest feelings, recall stories, state parables, ask questions and express humour. Here are designs for over seventy banners for the liturgical seasons of the year and for special topics. Included are suggestions for modifying the designs to suit your congregation and for using the skills and materials available to you. Each design is illustrated with a full-page line drawing suitable for photocopying. Indexed by Biblical text, by topic, and by design and fabrication technique, this book is a stimulating resource for worship planners, Bible class teachers, stitchers, and anyone interested in visual communication. (1986) BOOK #15.015

Liturgical Architecture (Unpublished - For Private Study ONLY)
Mary M. Schaefer

PUBLISHER: Unpublished
Preparatory work with a view to a CCCB publication of guidelines for the building and renovation of churches. Helpful for background in preparing an assembly for any changes in
their worship space. **BOOK #15.016** (Missing)

**A Place for Baptism**  
Regina Kuehn  
PUBLISHER: Liturgy Training Pub.  
Mark Searle writes in the foreword: “This is no ordinary place, but the scene of our being made over in the likeness of Christ, of our being transfused with the same Spirit of God that hovered over the waters of creation and raised Jesus from the dead, of our being ourselves plunged into the mystery of death and of death's irreversible defeat...The baptistry is an abiding reminder of what we once were, what we are now and what we shall one day yet be.” (1992) **BOOK #15.017**

**Sound Systems - A Guide to Better Sound In Your Parish**  
George R. Riley  
PUBLISHER: The Pastoral Press  
Guidelines and information are provided that make sound equipment, its use, and methods of distribution easily understood. Riley gently introduces the reader into the world of mixers, equalizers, loudspeakers, and microphone types. He begins with the very basics, and includes an appendix explaining technical terms. For parishes buying new systems, improving present systems, and desiring to make better use of the equipment they have.  **BOOK #15.018**

**A Place for Reconciliation**  
Richard S. Vosko  
PUBLISHER: FDLC  
Well-known design consultant, Father Vosko speaks of the sacrament of reconciliation and gives suggestions for an environment which is comfortable, friendly and devotional. (Excellent woodcuts of medieval builders at work.)  **BOOK #15.019**

**Acoustics for Liturgy #2**  
The Hymn Society in the U.S. and Canada  
“Worship implies a gathering where the Word of God is expected to resound in speech and song,” writes Paul Westermeyer in the foreword to this Meeting House Essay. “Sound therefore is critical to worship. In all too many instances of late, we have forgotten that. We have imprisoned ourselves in padded cells to which we then frantically, at great and unnecessary expense, have added artificial means of sound production and reverberation. The artificiality we have created has worked against the very essence of what we do in worship. It has silenced the words and songs that carry the Word of God.” To help improve the sound of liturgy, six professionals - an acoustician, an architect, a musician, an organ builder, a theologian and a pastor - offer good reasons and helpful advice for improving the acoustics for the assembly’s singing. (1991) **BOOK #15.020 (no. 2)**

**Places for Devotion #4**  
John Buscemi  
“What is the relationship between liturgy and devotion? In our quest for liturgical renewal have we pruned back too severely the personal rituals and devotions that feed our communal prayer? In an age of iconoclasm - both necessary and impoverishing - do we now have a need to reconnect to images that make tangible our concerns and struggles?” To answer these questions, John Buscemi examines four categories of devotional art: the crucifix, the cross and risen Christ statues; images of Mary and Joseph; images of the communion of saints; and images of the...
parish patron saint. He discusses how these images might be embodied in contemporary forms and then included appropriately in the place for worship as icons of God's great love for women and men. (19930 BOOK #15.020 (no. 4)

Designing Future Worship Spaces #8
Richard S. Vosko

Liturgy Training Pub.
During this time of transition many have expressed dissatisfaction with the new look of church buildings. However, the answer to the question of appropriate settings for the Catholic liturgy is not to be found in a nostalgic return to architectural and artistic styles of previous ages. Instead, more work is required to make churches places of beauty, justice, memory and imagination. New churches must honor and respect the stories, struggles and achievements of the community. When designed as true and authentic symbols of the local church, the art and architecture for worship will proclaim and embody the passion, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. In this essay, Richard Vosko helps us to read the signs of the times, apply them to the business of designing, constructing and furnishing church buildings for the future and begin the proper dialogue necessary to build and renovate church in every sense of the word. BOOK#15.020 (no.8)

Ancient Fonts, Modern Lessons #9
Jerome T. Overbeck

PUBLISHER: Liturgy Training Pub.
The ancient baptismal fonts of North Africa and southern Europe provide us with valuable lessons for understanding fonts today. When baptizing in rivers and lakes was no longer feasible, early Christian churches designed fonts to serve their rites and in response to their fundamental questions about the meaning of baptism. Their answers - and even more so their questions - are invaluable to us today as we seek to renew the celebration of baptism by renewing architectural forms. Some thing that the large fonts being built in churches today are a modern innovation. In fact, they are modern applications of ancient lessons. This essay is for all who seek to understand the font of holy baptism - parishioners, building committee members, designers and architects. (1998) BOOK #15.020 (no. 9)

Path, Portal, Path - Architecture For the Rites #10
Christopher V. Stroik

PUBLISHER: Liturgy Train. Public.
Architect and theologian Christopher Stroik argues that procession is the essential ritual element for which we need to shape our church architecture. But unlike classical architecture's desire for a progression from gate to path to resting place, the Roman rite understands "resting places" as only temporary stations. In fact, they too are portals to yet another path for yet another procession - with no real resting place until we've reached the new Jerusalem. Stroik's insights will inspire and excite architects and designers, and will challenge parish building committees and all students of the liturgy to understand the church building as a place not only for "seeing" things but even more as a place for "doing" things - the sacred rites of our living tradition. (1999) BOOK #15.020 (no. 10)

Places for Worship - A Guide to Building and Renovating
Marchita B. Mauck

PUBLISHER: The Liturgical Press
Building or renovating a worship space is a challenging experience for a faith community.
Marchita Mauck, a liturgical consultant, offers practical advice and clear procedures for this process. Stressing the need to understand a church building or chapel as a “ritual space,” she illustrates how to create a space that will serve the assembly in their common prayer. The combination of down-to-earth advice and imaginative reflection on the relationship between ritual and space makes this guide essential reading for anyone wishing to understand the building process in a liturgical context. (1995) BOOK #15.021

**To Crown the Year: Decorating the Church through the Seasons**
Peter Mazar
Practical advice for all the seasons of the year, including Ordinary Time. Learn how to select quality and appropriateness in ideas and designs. (1995) BOOK #15.022

**Clip Art Books** :
- 15.023 Liturgical Art — Series 2 (Year A) (Broderick, Virginia)
- 15.024 Even More Clip Art for the Liturgical Year (Stuckenschneider, OSB, Placid)

**Shaping Our Space: Principals to guide the process of building and renovating the worship space**
Office of Worship
PUBLISHER: Diocese of Lansing, M
Intended for parishes considering construction or renovation of church buildings. The information is extremely valuable for any committee. Topics covered: Gathering spaces, baptistry, seating for the assembly, sanctuary, music space, reconciliation chapel, Eucharistic renovation chapel, day chapel, technical design, liturgical art, service rooms, implementing the process. Many diagrams and assessment sheets are also included. (1990's) BOOK #15.025 (missing)

**Spaces for Spirit - Adorning the Church**
Nancy Chinn
PUBLISHER: Liturgy Train. Public.
Real art for worship has no patterns to follow, no slick tricks, nothing to mimic or adapt to your local congregational space. It has no guarantees. Real art rises from interior places that require intense search, many failures, a reaching toward that which has never been done or said in quite that way before. This is its prophetic edge. The time and materials and spirit it takes to develop an artist's capacities to dream are extraordinary. What does our church do to support such a person? Do we not need to demand the same level of prayerful, disciplined formation from our artists as we do from our priests or pastors? Painter and textile artists Nancy Chinn invites you to accompany her in a wide-ranging, vigorous discussion about art for worship - from theory to technique and from philosophy to practise. A steady guide and a sturdy support with dozens of photos, this book will challenge you and your parish not to neglect the visual arts, to help the people fashioned by the hand of the Holy One make its offering of praise and thanks in places that have spaces for spirit. BOOK #15.026

**Building From Belief Advance, Retreat, and Compromise in the Remaking of Catholic Church Architecture.**
Michael E. DeSanctis
PUBLISHER: Liturgical Press
Conceived as a “primer” for local building or renovation committees, this book describes the climate surrounding Catholic church architecture in the U.S. It offers an optimistic view of the future of Catholic church-building, but stresses the need for comprehensive liturgical catechesis.
Our Place of Worship  
Whether it is for a renovation or a new construction, Our Place of Worship offers a process that a community may follow in developing its worship space. It also presents principles and characteristics of an appropriate place of worship and it outlines the requirements of the liturgy according to the Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy of Vatican II and the Introduction to the Roman Missal. An essential resource for diocesan offices, diocesan commissions on art and architecture, and diocesan or parish liturgy and building committees involved in building and renovation projects. BOOK#15.028

Built of Living Stones: Art, Architecture and Worship  
In this new statement on church art and environment, the U.S. bishops address the needs of parishes and dioceses as they engage in building or renovating churches. Written to assist pastors, parishioners, diocesan staffs, congregations and bishops as well as architects, liturgical consultants and artists, this statement reflects the insights and experience of diocesan directors, musicians, liturgical design consultants, scholars and academics in theology and architecture. 2000 BOOK#15.029

God's House is Our House: Re-imaging the Environment for Worship  
Richard S. Vosko  
Vosko provides a foundation for building or renovating a place of worship and presents a thorough checklist for spaces, art, furnishings, and appointments. He discusses many concerns and offers practical advice. He also presents issues that need further consideration in every project. BOOK#15.030

The Cathedral: A Reader  
USCCB, 1979  
This book makes available the papers and essays presented at workshops held in Chicago and Washington. It will be of interest not only to the bishops of the Church, but to their diocesan liturgy personnel, cathedral staff and all involved in the liturgical life of the cathedral and ultimately of the diocese itself. BOOK#15.031

Guidelines for Building a New Church  
Diocese of London, 1994  
This book was prepared by a committee of the London Diocesan Building commission. It is written for anyone involved in a church building project: pastors and their associates, building committees, parish advisory boards, architects, liturgical consultants, musicians and artists. Also it is offered as a basis for study in a parish education program. BOOK#15.032

Holy People Holy Place  
Thomas G. Simons  
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The Ministry of Liturgical Environment  
Joyce Ann Zimmerman  

Contemporary and complete, this booklet considers the physical location of our worship, from assembly seating, colour usage, and liturgical accouterments to ministers' and assembly's dress. Sister Joyce offers a useful, practical guide for those preparing an inviting sacred space that reflects and enhances the community's valued principles. BOOK#15.034

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