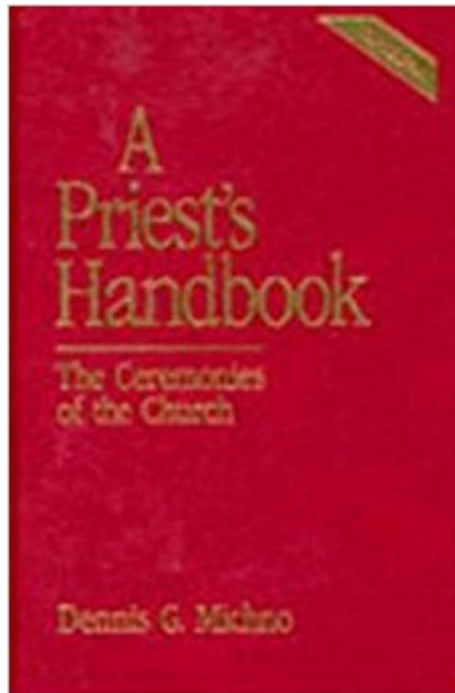




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the Handbook up-to-date with current changes within the Church and its various liturgical resources. Dennis G. Michno was formerly curate and director of music at All Saints Church in New York City and now resides in Bayfield, Wisconsin. Christopher L. Webber is an Episcopal priest and author of "The Vestry Handbook", "A User's guide to the Holy Eucharist: Rites I and II", and other books.

Very good information for a new priest or for one in the process of becoming a priest in the Episcopal Church. The author explains a lot of the gestures and gives definitions of many of the terms that are so much a part of the Eucharist liturgy. Older priests may find this useful to help them explain the "why" and the "how" to transitional deacons or others they may be mentoring.

Fascinating facts for every Episcopalian with questions small and large. Very easy to read and has great detail resulting in a greater appreciation of every word and every motion during an Episcopalian Church Service !

Useful reference. Helpful in ordination studies,

A must for training Anglican priests in any Province. While it relates to the now dying 1979 BCP, Michno is still the best guide available. Those leaning toward the 1662 can gain appropriate understanding of the Mass by reviewing his reflections on Rite I liturgy in the US. Those moving toward postmodernity probably don't want a guide in any event.

You'd think after the years of aspiration and discernment, the three years of seminary and subsequent service in the transitional diaconate, that ordination to the priesthood would not leave one fumbling to conduct the ceremonies of the Episcopal Church (ECUSA). Fortunately, wise souls who have gone before us knew better and this outstanding reference was the result. The beauty of our liturgical heritage is preserved when the celebrant is aware fully of his or her duties in each ceremony. "A Priest's Handbook" gives each fledgling priest a vital grounding in the essential elements of presiding over and celebrating the rituals of the Church. More importantly, the handbook reaffirms the gravity and solemnity of the celebrant's role and the necessity of leading a given service effectively. This handbook is an excellent reference for Lay Eucharistic Ministers as well, but no deacon or priest should be without it and should approach no ceremony until thoroughly familiar with its contents.

Extremely helpful as I learn about the liturgy. Good for lay and clergy alike.

A wonderful and well traveled text. Great for resourcing, getting your bearings. For anyone grounded in a liturgical tradition, this is probably the best book around to guide you.

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