

Contents

<i>Preface</i>	vii
<i>Acknowledgements</i>	ix

Part 1 CONTEXT

1	Romano Guardini	3
	An open letter	3
2	Mark Searle	9
	Ritual	9
3	John D. Witvliet	17
	For our own purposes: the appropriation of the social sciences in liturgical studies	18

Part 2 CLASSICAL VIEWS

4	Mary Douglas	43
	<i>Purity and Danger</i>	44
	<i>Natural Symbols</i>	57
5	Victor Turner	73
	Liminality and communitas	74
	<i>The Forest of Symbols</i>	85

Part 3 THE FIELD OF RITUAL

6	Nathan D. Mitchell	103
	New directions in ritual research	104
7	Ronald L. Grimes	131
	Modes of ritual sensibility	132
	Liturgical supinity, liturgical erectitude: on the embodiment of ritual authority	148

Contents

8	Catherine Bell	166
	Ritual, change, and changing rituals	167
	The authority of ritual experts	176

Part 4
METHOD

9	Margaret Mary Kelleher	201
	Liturgical theology: a task and a method	202

	<i>Author index</i>	223
	<i>Subject index</i>	226