The Seabury Press

As the Church's Official Publishing House, the Seabury Press has achieved a sound position of professional service capability.

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Development Program

Building on the achievements of recent years, the Seabury Press has initiated a five-year special Development Plan which includes the following new program and support services: A new Church's Teaching Series, a Prayer Book Interpreter's Series, a Book Review Journal, a Religious Book Club Service, expanded Professional Services, an Audio-Visual Education Program, an Episcopal Authors Awards Program, an International Series of Theological Scholarship, a Christian Classics Program.

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