# Australian Catholics for teachers

Australian Catholics can be a helpful resource for staff formation in Catholic schools. Here are some of the ways the magazine is used:

- Use the liturgy resources and other resources (Sneaky Jesus songs, reflections on faith and justice) to develop prayers for staff meetings and the classroom
- Sharing articles and reflections from the magazine in staff bulletins and newsletters
- Subscribing to our weekly Catholic Teacher e-newsletter for the latest articles, resources and information about events and other formation opportunities

Some examples of how Australian Catholics can inform and inspire teachers in Catholic schools:

# 1. Accessible introductions to diverse Catholic topics

### Strands of spirituality in the Catholic Church

 $\underline{https://australian catholics.com.au/article/strands-of-spirituality-in-the-catholic-church$ 

A brief introduction to some of the major strands of spirituality in the Catholic Church.



#### Heroic women in the Bible

https://australiancatholics.com.au/article/heroic-women-in-the-bible

Members of our young writers community share the stories of inspiring women in the Old Testament.

### 2. Answers to burning questions and explorations of hot button topics

# What is war good for?

https://australiancatholics.com.au/article/what-is-war-good-for

Fr Andrew Hamilton SJ writes regular Explorations articles, looking in-depth at topics related to the Catholic faith. In this one he explores the Church's teaching on war.



https://australiancatholics.com.au/article/the-gift-of-accompaniment

A Catholic reflection on euthanasia.



# 3. Ideas for improving religious education and formation programs

### Involving families in sacramental education

 $\underline{\text{https://australiancatholics.com.au/article/involving-families-insacramental-education}}$ 

A look at a sacramental program in Melbourne which brings students and parents together in dialogue.

# Connecting teachers and students

https://australiancatholics.com.au/article/connecting-teachers-and-students



A look at a Townsville Catholic Education Office program that's seeking to better engage Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students in the classroom.

## 4. Deeper explorations of pedagogy and the vocation of teaching

## Teaching public issues in Catholic schools

https://australiancatholics.com.au/article/teaching-public-issues-in-catholic-schools

Exploring the importance of intellectual engagement and conversation in faith education.

#### Digital citizenship through a Catholic lens



 $\underline{\text{https://australiancatholics.com.au/article/digital-citizenship-through-a-catholic-lens----the-challenges}}$ 

A Catholic Teacher blog article reflecting on how Catholic schools might go about better equipping students to navigate the online world.

Find many, many more articles, activities and resources at  $\underline{www.australiancatholics.com.au}$