

## Resources

### Listen to the Heart

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Christian Leaders consistently remind us that our conversations, and actions, around the referendum need to be grounded in prayer. Senior Aboriginal Christian Leader Aunty Jean Phillips reminds us that we need God's guidance as we come together to understand and discuss the Voice.

*"To me all of these issues need to be based on prayer and asking God to guide us and to help us. We need to be coming together at the foot of the cross and acknowledge the history of this nation, which has not been a very good history, and it's only as we come to the cross and meet with our saviour that things could change."* Aunty Jean Phillips

Please join us in committing the upcoming referendum to prayer. You can explore prayer resources [here](#).

### Professional Learning

#### **Australasian Mercy Secondary Schools Association (AMSSA) Conference.**

#### **AMSSA Staff Conference All Hallows' School, Brisbane *MERCY in liminal times***

Liminality is an inner state and sometimes an outer situation where people can begin to think and act in genuinely new ways. It is when we are betwixt and between.... It is that graced time when we are not certain or in control, when something genuinely new can happen. Richard Rohr.

FULL CONFERENCE: Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> August - Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> August

ONE DAY TICKET Friday 18 August 2023 8:30am – 2:00pm

For more details go to the following [LINK](#)

### **CT9013C Doing Theology: Engaging with the Catholic Theological Tradition**

*Blended face-to-face (onsite at St Francis Xavier College, Beaconsfield Vic) or online synchronous mode*

In this unit, learners will engage with central theological themes of the Catholic tradition in dialogue with a secularising and pluralising culture. Themes may include: theology as a way of encounter and dialogue; the centrality of Jesus Christ, human and divine; the Christian understanding of the human person and our flourishing; and the mission of the church in a pluralist society.

**Dates:** 27, 28 July; 7, 8 September, 9.30am – 4.30pm + 12 hours asynchronous learning.

**Lecturers:** Rev. Dr Kevin Lenehan (*coordinator*), Dr Frances Baker RSM, Rev. Dr Phillip Gleeson SDB, Dr Rina Madden **Cost:** 24 credit points (0.167 EFTSL) \$2,882; Audit fee \$650.

### **CT9011C Identity and Mission for a Synodal Church**

*Online blended.* This unit introduces learners to the theological foundations and pedagogical approaches for the contemporary mission of Catholic schools and parishes. It will enable learner to investigate the Australian cultural and demographic context and its implications for the transmission of religious faith and the tasks of evangelisation. It will assist them to articulate and assess various options for Catholic schools and communities to enhance and strengthen their identity in today's context.

**Dates:** 17, 18 August; 5, 6 October, 9.30am- 12.30pm + 24 hours asynchronous learning  
**Lecturers:** Dr Rina Madden (*coordinator*), Rev. Dr Kevin Lenehan, Rev. Dr Brendan Reed, Dr Paul Sharkey. **Cost:** 24 credit points (0.167 EFTSL) \$2,882; Audit fee \$650.  
**Contact:** Dr Paul Sharkey, Postgraduate Coordinator, [postgrad@ctc.edu.au](mailto:postgrad@ctc.edu.au)  
**Catholic Social Teaching Professional Learning Experience**  
**Registration is closing (31<sup>th</sup> JULY)**

### **Catholic Social Teaching Professional Learning – free event!**

Catholic Social Teaching offers us a framework for living God’s Mission in this world. Staff would be invited to reflect, dialogue and participate in immersive activities which allow for making the connections between the CSTs and my role in the Cairns Catholic Education Community. All our formation days are grounded in Scripture and allow staff opportunities for the integration of Scripture into their application of CSTs in their school curriculums. Our work with staff in schools and systems across the country has resonated as it is founded in a contemporary understanding of mission. That is – that we are all contributing to God’s mission in this world and have the wonderful model of Jesus to know how to reveal Christ to each other in the everyday.

**APREs please consider who you could send to the session facilitated by Luke Tobin from Catholic Mission.**

### **Bishop Michael Putney Memorial Lecture**

The Bishop Michael Putney Memorial Lecture is a joint project of the Brisbane Roman Catholic Archdiocesan Council for Ecumenism & Inter-religious Relations, and Queensland Churches Together (the Council of Churches in Queensland). It commemorates the life and ministry of Bishop Michael Putney who was a significant leader in international and national ecumenical affairs, principally through the international Methodist - Catholic dialogue and the national Uniting - Catholic dialogue. He also served a term as President of the National Council of Churches in Australia.

This year Prof Stephen Bevans SVD from the Catholic Theological Union, Chicago will speak on **Mission in Context: Deep Resonances Between WCC and Roman Catholic Perspectives**. Responders will be: **Rev Charissa Suli** - President Elect of the Uniting Church in Australia and **Mr Tim Fawssett** - Group Manager Cross Cultural Innovation & First Nations, Scripture Union Australia. Professor Stephen Bevans SVD is a Roman Catholic missionary priest who has taught for many years in the area of Mission and Culture. From 2014 until 2022 he was a member of the World Council of Churches' Commission on World Mission and Evangelism. His presentation will focus on two significant papers from the World Council of Churches: *Together towards Life: Mission and Evangelism in Changing Landscapes* and *The Arusha Call to Discipleship* and how these resonate with recent Roman Catholic teaching, especially in the areas of *Mission and Creation, Mission from the Margins and Mission and Migration*.

**Date:** Tuesday, 15 August 2023

**Time:** 7pm

**Cost - Livestream:** \$5 (Livestream link will be sent out closer to the date.) **Accreditation:** 2 hours

Teach Religion in a Catholic School

**iLearn:** CNS04456 and **iCat**

**APST:** 2, 6, 7

**Booking:** booking site is <https://app.tickets.org.au/eb/BMPMemorialLecture23>