

Level Descriptions SECONDARY STRANDS				
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Triune God	<p>In Levels 5 & 6, students will develop the knowledge, skills and understandings to learn that Catholics recognise Jesus as both human and divine, the Son of God. They learn how Jesus, as Messiah, is the fulfilment of the Old Testament promise. They learn how Jesus' life, death and resurrection reveal God's love. Students learn that the Holy Spirit is the love expressed between the Father and the Son and that this is a gift freely given. They learn about the variety of images and metaphors to describe Triune God. Students learn that God, the creator of all, entrusts people with the world and with the responsibility to respect and nurture life. Students learn that the human person, created in the image of God, has dignity and natural rights, which must be considered in morally challenging situations.</p>	<p>In Levels 7 & 8, students will develop the knowledge, skills and understandings to enable them to learn that God reaches out to humanity in loving relationship through creation, the history of salvation in Jesus Christ, fully human and fully divine, and the mystery of human existence. They learn key aspects of the covenantal relationship God has with humanity through the Hebrew people. They learn why God sent his Son, Jesus, and describe ways God sends the Holy Spirit into the world. They learn that the Father, Son and Holy Spirit are three divine persons equal in nature and dignity who are bound together as one being, in love. They learn ways people are invited to share in the life and love of the Triune God.</p>	<p>In Levels 9 & 10, students will develop the knowledge, skills and understandings to enable them to learn how people experience God's lifegiving grace through the Incarnation, the Holy Spirit, the Church and creation. Students learn about the Christian call to stewardship. They learn that the Catholic doctrine of the Triune God expresses an understanding of God as love. They learn about the ways Christians give witness to the Triune God by creating loving communities where the dignity of the human person is respected.</p>	<p>In Levels 11 & 12, students will develop the knowledge, skills and understandings to enable them to learn that the Triune God is the central mystery of Christian faith, a mystery of unity in diversity. Students learn that this mystery is revealed to humanity by God. They learn about the development of Church teaching on the Incarnation. Students learn how cultural contexts have influenced Christian understanding of the Triune God and how this mystery is expressed through the arts and architecture.</p>

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The Life and Mission of Jesus	In Levels 5 & 6, students will develop the knowledge, skills and understandings to learn that by responding to, and sharing in, the mission of Jesus, Christians are witnessing and proclaiming God's unconditional love and building the Kingdom/Reign of God, which is here but not yet fully realised. Students learn about Paul and how he carried on the mission of Jesus by spreading the Word throughout the known world. Students learn that Jesus, as Messiah, is the fulfilment of the Old Testament promise. They learn that many of Jesus' parables give an insight into the Kingdom/Reign of God. Students learn about Mary's role as the Christian model of a faith filled disciple.	In Levels 7 & 8, students will develop the knowledge, skills and understandings to enable them to learn about the historical, social, political and religious contexts in which Jesus lived. They learn about Jesus' teachings, actions and mission and what they reveal about God and the Kingdom/Reign of God. Students learn practical ways the Kingdom/Reign of God can be lived out today.	In Levels 9 & 10, students will develop the knowledge, skills and understandings to enable them to learn about the portrayal of Jesus through the Gospels. They learn about the central Christian belief in the resurrection of Jesus as the foundation for Christian hope. Through a study of Church teachings on death and eternal life, students learn how, for Christians, death has been transformed by Jesus.	In Levels 11 & 12, students will develop the knowledge, skills and understandings to enable them to investigate and evaluate understandings of the mystery of Jesus Christ expressed through theological perspectives. They learn the distinctive Christology of each Gospel and express personal understandings, beliefs and questions about Jesus Christ. Students learn the reality of how evil in the world challenges their understanding of the Kingdom/Reign of God.
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<p>Sacramental Church</p>	<p>In Levels 5 & 6, students will develop the knowledge, skills and understandings to enable them to learn about the major Catholic feasts and seasons in the liturgical year. They learn that the mission of the Church is to bring about the Kingdom/Reign of God. They learn about the history of the Catholic Church in Australia. They learn that the Church honours Mary as Mother of God. They learn how the sacramental life of the Church nourishes the faith journey of its community. They learn about the gifts and fruits of the Holy Spirit and how these can be animated in people's lives.</p>	<p>In Levels 7 & 8, students will develop the knowledge, skills and understandings to enable them to learn about the life and mission of the sacramental Church. They learn that sacraments express and enrich the shared life of the Christian community, celebrating initiation, healing and service and that each sacrament has its own history, symbols and rituals.</p>	<p>In Levels 9 & 10, students will develop the knowledge, skills and understandings to enable them to learn how the Catholic Church worships and celebrates as a sacramental community. They learn about the ongoing renewal of the Catholic Church, both locally and globally, and the call to service that is implicit in the Sacrament of the Eucharist, the source and summit of Christian life. They learn that the Church is called into dialogue with other Christian traditions and religions of the world.</p>	<p>In Levels 11 & 12, students will develop the knowledge, skills and understandings to learn about interfaith dialogue and assess its effectiveness. They learn about the Church's institutional response to challenges it faces today and into the future. They learn about the Sacraments of Loving Commitment, the meaning of vocation in a Christian context, and ways of living out this call to service.</p>
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Christian Life and Catholic Social Teaching	In Levels 5 & 6, students will develop the knowledge, skills and understandings to enable them to learn about the meaning of mission and determine ways people can make a personal response now and in the future. They learn about the challenges of following the mission of Jesus today. They learn about the principles of Catholic Social Teaching (CST) drawn from the Scriptures and the moral teaching of the Church. They learn to consider local and global challenges in light of CST, and explain the impact of these challenges.	In Levels 7 & 8, students will develop the knowledge, skills and understandings to enable them to learn that the teachings, actions and mission of Jesus Christ inspire people to lead Christian lives. They learn that Christian life is nourished within a faith community, inviting people into dialogue and service. Students learn how justice calls people to be in right relationship with God, others and creation.	In Levels 9 & 10, students will develop the knowledge, skills and understandings to enable them to learn that Christian life challenges Catholics to share in the mission of Christ as disciples. They learn that the Christian understanding of the dignity of the human person requires the pursuit of the common good in a spirit of solidarity. Students learn how Christian life calls people to an understanding of the Church's moral and ethical teachings and can identify the role of conscience in moral decision making. They learn how inspirational figures in Catholic Tradition encourage a Christian thirst for justice	In Levels 11 & 12, students will develop the knowledge, skills and understandings to enable them to learn that moral decision-making, as a discerned response to contemporary culture, is part of Christian life. They learn that Christians are called to 'read the signs of the times' in light of Scripture and Tradition, and are called to act in ways that bring about the transformation of the world.