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Style Sheet

General Stylistic Principles:

- We do not use *ibid.* or *idem.*
- In footnotes, we include all author names and do not use “et al."
- Do not include “http://” in citations for online materials
- Only “Catholic” is capitalized in “Catholic social teaching.”
- We include full page number references, so 132-138 (not 132-8).
- Generally, you don’t need state or province names for large and prominent cities such as New York, Chicago, Toronto. For large, prominent cities in other countries (e.g., London, Paris, Moscow), a country name is not necessary. The exception would be if it is necessary to differentiate cities from different countries (e.g., London, England, from London, Ontario).
- All major words in the titles of encyclicals, the *Catechism*, the *Compendium*, conciliar documents, and curial documents are capitalized.
- The online edition of church documents from the Vatican website should be used.
- Online edition of magazines and newspapers are preferred.

Specific Citations:

Book – one author

Book – more than one author

Chapter in an edited work
2. Dulles, “Revelation,” 100.

* - for different chapters in the same edited work, use the different author and chapter title along with the full bibliographical information for the book.
Book with an editor or translator

Presentation
2. Kolvenbach, “Address.”

Thesis

Encyclopedia or Dictionary

Citing a footnote or endnote

Article in a journal

Article in an online journal
2. Codrescu, “Creeley’s Birthday Drive.”

Article in a magazine
Paper Edition

Online Edition (Preferred)
2. Heft, “Distinctively Catholic.”
Online documents (including Blog Posts)

Online videos
1. Pope Francis, “Address to Joint Session of Congress,” YouTube, www.youtube.com/watch?v=oBM7D1eMsP0.
2. Francis, “Address to Joint Session.”

Newspapers
Paper Edition

Online Edition (Preferred)
2. Bumiller and Shanker, “Pentagon Lifts Ban.”

Church Documents
Bible: References are parenthetical in the text with the title of the book (no abbreviations), chapter, colon, and verse(s): example (John 3:16).

Documents of Thomas Aquinas: Parenthetical Reference with abbreviated title and standard notions: (ST I-II q. 10, a. 1)

Documents of Augustine: Parenthetical reference with abbreviated title, “Book,” chapter number, and section number: (Conf. 8.12.28.)

Compendium of the Social Doctrine of the Church: Parenthetical Reference with abbreviated title and “no.” or “nos.” followed by section number: (Compendium, no. 325).

Catechism of the Catholic Church: Parenthetical Reference with abbreviated title and “no.” or “nos.” followed by section number: (Catechism, no. 325).

Conciliar Documents and Encyclicals: Parenthetical Reference with full title and “no.” or “nos.” followed by section number: (Populorum Progressio, no. 76)

* - Please note, for the Compendium, Catechism, and conciliar documents and encyclicals: If the document referenced is clear in the text of the essay then only the section needs citing in this form: (no. 99). If the document referenced is unclear then the document and the section needs citing in this form: (Laudato Si’, no. 99).
Generally, full titles and shortened titles are italicized (e.g., *Conf.*) but first letter abbreviations of titles (e.g., ST) not italicized.

For citing early church writing not noted here, please see the style guide for the *Journal of Early Christian Studies*: [http://patristics.org/journal/submission-guidelines/](http://patristics.org/journal/submission-guidelines/)

**Papal Addresses**
2. Francis, “Address to Members.”