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Databases & Indexes

Subject Specific

ATLA - American Theological Library Association (available from the Library's Databases page)
This database is produced by the American Theological Library Association's Center for Electronic Resources in Theology and Religion for religion. It provides online versions of the entire runs of a core collection of more than fifty significant scholarly periodicals in the field of religion, most of which go back to 1949. Journals represent a wide selection of Christian traditions (including Catholic, Orthodox, Protestant, Evangelical, and Pentecostal), Islam, Judaism, Buddhism, Hinduism, Shinto, Taoism, Confucianism, and other religious traditions.

Catholic Periodical & Literature Index (Ref Row 2)

Ref. AI 3 .C31 1930 - present

Subject and author/editor index to over 170 currently significant Catholic periodicals of permanent value as determined by the Catholic Library Association. There are separate indexes for book titles and book reviews. Published quarterly with an annual cumulative volume. (Formerly: The Catholic Periodical Index)

Index to Book Reviews in Religion (Ref Row 3)

Ref. Z 7753.A5 I5x 1949-1974, 1986-1995

Continuation of the Book Review Index that appeared as the last section of the *Religion Index One: Periodicals* from its inception through 1985. Provides access by author/editor, title, series and reviewer name to book reviews, review essays, and review articles published in more than 500 periodicals of interest to the field of religion.

New Testament Abstracts (Ref Row 3)

Ref. BS 410.N35 1956 – present

Edited by the Boston College School of Theology and Ministry with the Catholic Biblical Association, this resource covers the New Testament and its historical milieu, abstracting over 2,100 articles from over 500 periodicals in numerous languages, and summarizing over 800 books annually. Coverage includes textual criticism, interpretation, theology, linguistics and philology, translation and archaeology. Abstracts are in English regardless of the language of the original publication.

Old Testament Abstracts (Ref Row 3)

Ref. BS 410.O42 1978 – present

Product of a partnership between the American Theological Library Association and the Catholic Biblical Association, this resource indexes and abstracts primarily journal articles and books

related to Old Testament studies including the history and geography of the ancient Near East, literary forms, techniques, and methods of study, archaeology, philology, theology, and more. Over 450 journals in a variety of languages are covered. Abstracts are in English regardless of the language of the original publication.

ProQuest (Education, Religion) (via NC LIVE; available from the Library's Databases page)
This database includes over 135 titles, with more than 120 available in full text, designed to meet the needs of both religious studies programs and general library collections. An excellent source of religious news and information, the database provides details on doctrines and philosophies, reports on religious history, and related archeology. ProQuest Religion also covers formal theological studies and commentary on topics of general interest from the perspectives of specific religions. Primary faiths represented in the database are Christianity, Islam, Judaism, and Buddhism. (**NOTE:** Change "Multiple Databases" to "Humanities – ProQuest Religion" from the database selection menu on the ProQuest search page.)

Religion Index One: Periodicals (Ref Row 3)

Ref. Z 7753.A5 1949-2006

Published by the American Theological Library Association (ATLA), this resource provides access to citations to journal articles from over 400 serials in the areas of theology and religion with a primary focus on western religion. Access is by subject, author/editor, and scripture passage. (Formerly: Index to Religious Periodical Literature, 1949 – 1977)

Related Areas

Philosopher's Index (Ref Row 2)

Ref. Z 7127.P47 1967- present

A subject and author index with abstracts for philosophy books and journals in English, French, German, Spanish, and Italian along with selected books and journals in other languages and interdisciplinary publications, covering current and historical philosophy. Book reviews are indexed separately in each volume.

Essay & General Literature Index (Ref Row 1)

Ref. AI 3.E752 1900-1998

Author and subject index to essays published in collections, particularly in the humanities and social sciences

Humanities Index (Ref Rows 1 – 2)

Ref. AI 3.R491x April 1974-March 2004+June, September, December 2004+ March 2005

A cumulative index to English language periodicals covering archaeology and classical studies, area studies, folklore, history, language and literature, performing arts, philosophy, religion and theology, and related subjects. Citations to book reviews are also included in a separate listing

Internet Resources

Roman Catholicism

See also: **Catholic Resources on the Internet** – Ref. BX 842.5 .R38x 2000

- Catholic Answers – www.catholic.com
- Catholic Files – <http://listserv.american.edu/catholic>
- Catholic Information Center – www.catholic.net
- Catholic Information Network – www.cin.org
- Catholic News Service – www.catholicnews.com
- Catholic Online – www.catholic.org
- Catholic Online Search Engine – <http://community.catholic.org>
- Catholic Web Directory – <http://www.saintfrancis.net/links.htm>

- US Conference of Catholic Bishops – www.nccbuscc.org
- Vatican Web Site – www.vatican.va

Other World Religions

- Academic Jewish Studies: Internet Directory – www.jewish-studies.com/
- Association of Religion Data Archives – www.thearda.com/
- Directory of Religious Centers – pluralism.org/directory/search.php
- English Religious Resources – <http://etext.lib.virginia.edu/relig.browse.html>
- Harvard Pluralism Project – pluralism.org/index.php
- Introduction to Islam – www.mideasti.org/library/intro-to-islam
- Islam & Islam Studies – www.uga.edu/islam
- Islamic Countries, Statistics – <http://www.sesrtcic.org>
- Orthodox Church in America – www.oca.org
- RAMBI: Index Articles on Jewish Studies – <http://jnul.huji.ac.il/eng> - Quick Links
- Religious Movements – <http://religiousmovements.lib.virginia.edu/home.html>
- World Council of Churches – www.wcc-coe.org

Miscellaneous Theology & Religion Resources

- Christian Classics Ethereal Library – <http://ccel.org>
- Episcopal Conferences: Historical, Canonical, & Theological Studies – woodstock.georgetown.edu/church_studies/reese/ec/
- Internet Sacred Text Archive - www.sacred-texts.com/
- Resource Pages for Biblical Studies – www.torreys.org/bible
- Summa Theologica – www.newadvent.org/summa
- Theological Resources on the Web - woodstock.georgetown.edu/links/links_theology.htm

Print Resources

Encyclopedias – Catholic

- Catholic Biblical Encyclopedia (OT/NT) – Ref. BS 440.C35, 2 vols.
- Catholic Encyclopedia – Ref. BX 841.C25, 1907 15 vols.
(Also available online at <http://www.newadvent.org/cathen/>)
- Our Sunday Visitor's Catholic Encyclopedia (by Stravinskias) – Ref. BX 841.O97x 1991, 1998
- Catholic Reference Encyclopedia – Ref. BX 841.C37, 6 vols.
- Corpus Christi: An Encyclopedia of the Eucharist - Ref. BV 825.2.O726x 1988
- Encyclopedia of American Catholic History – Ref. BX 1406.2 .E53 1997
- Encyclopedia of Biblical Theology: The Complete Sacramentum Verbi - Ref. BS 440 .B46713 1981
- Encyclopedia of Catholicism (*Facts on File Library of Religion and Mythology*)
Flinn, Frank K., 2007.
(Available via NetLibrary from the Library's Databases page.)
- Our Sunday Visitor's Encyclopedia of Catholic History – Ref. BX 945 .2B86x
- Encyclopedia of Catholic Saints – Ref. BX 4655.2 .E5, 1966 12 vols.
- Encyclopedia of Theology: The Concise Sacramentum Mundi - Ref. BR 95.E48
- HarperCollins Encyclopedia of Catholicism – Ref. BX 841.H37 1995
- New Catholic Encyclopedia – Ref. BX 841.N44 1967, 18vols.
- New Catholic Encyclopedia Jubilee Volume, the Wojtyla Years – Ref. BX 841.N44 2001
(Available via Gale Virtual Reference Library from the Library's Databases page.)

- New Catholic Encyclopedia – Ref. BX 841.N44x 2002, 15 vols.
(Available via Gale Virtual Reference Library from the Library's Databases page.)
- Our Sunday Visitor's Encyclopedia of Catholic Doctrine - Ref. BX 1745.5.O87 1997
- Sacramentum Mundi: An Encyclopedia of Theology - Ref. BR 95.S2x, 6 vols.
- Sacramentum Verbi: An Encyclopedia of Biblical Theology - Ref. BS 440.B 4313, 3 vols.
- Theotokos: A Theological Encyclopedia of the Blessed Virgin Mary - Ref. BT 599.O2x 1986

Encyclopedias – Subject

- Encyclopedia of American Religions – Ref. BL 2530 .U6 M443, 2 vols.
- Encyclopedia of American Women and Religion – Ref. BL 2525 .B45 1998
- Encyclopedia of Christianity – Ref. BR 95 .E47 2005
- Encyclopedia of Christianity – Ref. BR 95 .E8913 1999, 2 vols.
- Encyclopedia of Early Christianity – Ref. BR 162.2 .E53 1990
- Encyclopedia of Heresies and Heretics – Ref. BT 1315.2 .C55 1992 (1998 ed. in Main Stacks)
- Encyclopedia of Hinduism (*Facts on File Library of Religion and Mythology*)
Jones, Constance.; Ryan, James D., 2007.
(Available via NetLibrary from the Library's Databases page.)
- Encyclopedia of Islam and the Muslim World (2004)
(Available via Gale Virtual Reference Library from the Library's Databases page.)
- Encyclopedia of Judaism (*Facts On File Library of Religion and Mythology*)
Karesh, Sara E.; Hurvitz, Mitchell M., 2006.
(Available via NetLibrary from the Library's Databases page.)
- Encyclopedia of Religion – Ref. BL 31.E46, 2005 15 vols.
(Available via Gale Virtual Reference Library from the Library's Databases page.)
- Encyclopaedia of Religion and Ethics – Ref. BL 31.E43, 1967 13 vols.
- Encyclopedia of the Dead Sea Scrolls – Ref. BM 487 .E53 2000, 2 vols.
- Encyclopedia of Women and World Religion – Ref. BL 458 .E53 1999, 2 vols.
- New Schaff-Herzog Encyclopedia of Religious Knowledge - Ref. BR 95 .S43, 13 vols.
- Oxford Encyclopedia of the Reformation - Ref. BR 302.8 .O93 1996, 4 vols.
- The Papacy: an Encyclopedia – Ref. BX 955.2 .D53 2002, 3 vols.
- World Christian Encyclopedia – Ref. BR 157 .W67 1982

Dictionaries, Directories & Handbooks

- Anchor Bible Dictionary – Ref. BS 440 .A54, 1992, 6 vols.
- Complete Bible Handbook – Ref. BS 475 .2.B62 1998
- Dictionary of Biblical Theology - Ref. BS 543 .A1 L43(2nd copy in Main Stacks)
- Dictionary of Dogmatic Theology – Ref. BR 95 .P3(2nd copy in Main Stacks)
- Dictionary of Proper Names & Places in the Bible – Ref. BS 435 .O3313
- Dictionary of the Eastern Orthodox Church – Ref. BX 230 .L3
- Dictionary of the Ecumenical Movement – Ref. BX 8.2 .D53x 1991
- Dictionary of the Liturgy – Ref. BV 173 .L26 1989
- Dictionary of the New Testament – Ref. BS 2312 .L413 1980
- Encyclopedic Dictionary of Religion - Ref. BR 95 .E494, 3 vols.
- Exegetical Dictionary of the New Testament – Ref. BS 2312 .E913 1990, v.1
- Handbook of Biblical Criticism – Ref. BS 511.2.S68 1981
- Handbook of Denominations in the United States – Ref. BL 2525 .M425 2001
- Interpreter's Dictionary of the Bible – Ref. BS 440 .I63, 5 vols.(4 vols. In Main Stacks)
- New Dictionary of Catholic Spirituality – Ref. BX 2350.65 .N49 1993
(Also available on CDROM: BAC MAIN AV – CDROM 58)

- New Dictionary of Theology – Ref. BR 95 .N38 1991
(Also available on CDROM: BAC MAIN AV – CDROM 58)
- Official Catholic Directory – BX 845 .C5 (**Latest issue in Ready Ref.**- the previous 3 years in Main Ref)
- Oxford Dictionary of the Jewish Religion – Ref. BM 50 .O94 1997
(Also available via NetLibrary from the Library's Databases page.)
- Oxford Dictionary of the Christian Church – Ref. BR 95 .O8 1957, 1974, 1997
- Theological Dictionary – Ref. BR 95 .R313
- Theological Dictionary of the New Testament – Ref. BS 2312 .K513, 10 vols.
- Theological Dictionary of the Old Testament – Ref. BS 440 .B5713, 12 vols.
- Westminster Dictionary of Christian Spirituality – Ref. BV 4488 .W47 1983

Atlases

- Atlas of the Bible – Ref. BS 620 .G752 1956 (Located at Atlas Stand 1)
- Historical Atlas of the Religions of the World – Ref. BL 80.2 .F28 (Located on shelf)
- Oxford Bible Atlas – BS 620 .M35 1974 (Located on Shelf)
- Westminster Historical Atlas to the Bible – Ref. BS 630 .W7 1956 (Located on shelf)

Commentaries

- Anchor Bible: a new translation with introduction and commentary – Ref. BS 192.2 .A1 1946, 44 vols. (After doing a "Title" search when it says 'No matching records found' click "All Words" to display results)
- Ancient Christian Commentary on Scripture: New Testament – Ref. BS 490. A52x
- Collegeville Bible Commentary – Ref. BS 491.2 .C66 1989
(Also available on CDROM: BAC MAIN AV – CDROM 58)
- Commentary on the Catechism of the Catholic Church – Ref. BX 1959.5.C657 1994
- Interpreter's Bible – Ref. BS 491.2 .I55, 12 vols.
- Jerome Biblical Commentary – Ref. BS 491.2 .B7
- New Jerome Biblical Commentary – Ref. BS 491.2 .N485 1990
- Peake's Commentary on the Bible – Ref. BS 491.B57

Concordances

- Analytical Concordance to the Revised Standard Version of the New Testament
Ref. BS 2305 .M67
- Complete Concordance to the Bible – Ref. BS 425 .T45 1945
- Concordance to the Apocrypha/Deuterocanonical Books of the Revised
Standard Version – Ref. BS 1700 .C66
- Concordance to the Septuagint & the Other Greek Versions of the Old Testament
Ref. BS 1122 .H3 1954, 2 vols.
- Concordance to the Greek Testament - Ref. BS 2302 .M8 1963
- Greek-English Analytical Concordance of the Greek-English New Testament
Ref. BS 2302 .S7
- Living Bible Concordance – Ref. BS 425 .S67
- Nelson's Complete Concordance of the New American Bible – Ref. BS 425 .H27
- New American Standard Exhaustive Concordance of the Bible –
Ref. BS 425 .N385

Other Reference Sources

- Cambridge History of the Bible – Ref. BS 445 .C26, 3 vols.
- Church History: An Introduction to Research, Reference Works, & Methods
Ref. BR 138 .B69 1995

- Geography of the Bible – Ref. BS 630 .B34 1974
- Gospel Parallels: A Synopsis of the First Three Gospels – Ref. BS 2560.15 1979
- Illustrated Dictionary of Bible Manners & Customs – Ref. BS 622 .D413
- Illustrated World's Religions – Ref. BL 80.2 .S6455 1994
- Masterpieces of Christian Literature in Summary Form – Ref. BR 50 .M22 1963, 2 vols.
- Oxford Companion to the Bible – Ref. BS 440 .M434 1993
- Oxford History of the Biblical World – Ref. BS 635.2 .O94 1998
- Oxford Illustrated History of Christianity – Ref. BR 145.2 .O86 1990
- Roget's Thesaurus of the Bible – Ref. BS 432 .D34 1992
- Subject Guide to Bible Stories – Ref. BS 432 .G258 1969
- Who's Who in the New Testament – Ref. BS 2430 .B67
- Who's Who in the Old Testament - Ref. BS 570 .C64
- World of the Bible – Ref. BS 475.2 .W4713 1986
- World of the Old Testament – Ref. BS 1140.2 .O93 1989

Other Resources – Catholic

- Butler's Lives of the Saints – Ref. BX 4654 .B8 1995, 12 vols. & Supplement
- Lives of the Saints- Ref. BX 4654 .B8 1956, 4 vols.
- The lives of the Saints- Ref. BX 4654 .B8x 1926a, 12 vols.
- Catechism of the Catholic Church – Ready Ref. BX1959.3.E5 C38x 2000 (1993 ed. available online at <http://www.vatican.va/archive/ccc/index.htm>.)
- Catholic Almanac – Ref. AY 81 .R6 N3 1941- (current copy in **Ready Ref.**)
- Catholic Fact Book – Ref. BX 842 .D44 1986
- Catholics on the Internet 2000-2001 – Ref. BX 842.5 .R38x 2000-2001
- Catholicism – Ref. BX 1751.2 .M24 (1994 ed., by McBrien, Richard P)
- Commentary on the Catechism of the Catholic Church – Ref. BX 1959.5 .C657, 1994
- Companion to the Summa – Ref. BX 1749 .T6 F3x 1951, 4 vols.
- Decrees of the Ecumenical Councils – Ref. BX 825 .A1 1990, 2 vols.
- Encyclicals of John Paul II – Ref. BX 860 1978 .A213x 1996
- Fathers of the Eastern Church – Ref. BR 1706 .P39x 1989
- Fathers of the Western Church – Ref. BR 1700 .P3x 1989
- Golden Legend of Jacobus de Voragine – Ref. BX 4654 .J33, 1941 2 vols.
- Liberation Theology: A Documentary History – Ref. BT 83.57 .L487 1990
- Masterpieces of Catholic Literature in Summary Form – Ref. BX 885 .M2
- Oxford Dictionary of Popes – Ref. BX 955.2 .K45 1986
- Papal Encyclicals – Ref. BX 860 .P3x 1740-1981, 5 vols.
- Papal Pronouncements 1740-1978 – Ref. BX 850 .C37x 1990, 2 vols.
- Pursuit of a Just Social Order – Ref. BX 1753 .B44 1982
- Teaching of the Catholic Church – Ref. BX 1747.5 .N413

Foreign Language Resources

- Dictionnaire de Spiritualité – Ref. BX 841.D67, 17 vols.
- Dictionnaire de Théologie Catholique – Ref. BX 841.D68, 16 vols.
- Lexikon für Theologie und Kirche – Ref. BR 95 .L48, 10 vols. + 3 supplements & 1 Register
- Lexicon Graecum Novi Testamenti – Ref. BS 2312 .G7 Z6x 1931
- Theologisches Wörterbuch zum Neuen Testament – Ref. BS 2312 .K5, 9 vols.
- Veteris Testamenti Concordantiae Hebraicae Atque Chaldaicae Ref. BS 1121 .M3x,1955a 2 vols.

Paper Writing & Citation Formats

The Chicago Manual of Style

Ready Ref Z253 .U69 2003

(See also the Chicago-Style Citation Quick Guide,

http://www.chicagomanualofstyle.org/tools_citationguide.html)

Christian Writer's Manual of Style (cp. Chicago Manual of Style, 13th ed.)

Ref. BR44 .C48 1988

Concise Rules of APA Style

Ready Ref BF76.7 .C66 2005

Hodges Harbrace Handbook

Ready Ref PE1112 .H6 2001

The Holt Handbook

Ready Ref PE1408 .K675x 1999

Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association

Ready Ref BF76.7 .P83 2001

(See also the Online Writing Lab at Purdue University,

<http://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/resource/560/01/>)

MLA Handbook for Writers of Research Papers

Ready Ref LB2369 .G53 1999

(See also the Online Writing Lab at Purdue University,

<http://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/resource/557/01/>)

A Manual for Writers of Term Papers, Theses, and Dissertations (Turabian)

Ready Ref LB2369 .T8 1996

(See also the Turabian Quick Guide from the University of Chicago Press,

http://www.press.uchicago.edu/books/turabian/turabian_citationguide.html)

Stylebook on Religion: A Reference Guide & Usage Manual

Ready Ref. BX 842 .S79x 1990

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