**Suffering, Death and Judgment References**

This handout provides selected references on the Catholic view of suffering, death and judgment from the Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC), Scripture and Catholic Answers. It is not an exhaustive list and you should feel free to supplement it with other valid Catholic references. This list is provided to assist in your group discussion of the topic of the Catholic view of suffering and death. Be sure to read the footnotes in both Scripture and the CCC as well as surrounding text for context.

**Suffering and Death**

* **Physical death/wages of sin :**
  + Scripture: Gen 2:16; Ecc 9:9-10;Wis 1:13, 2:24; Rom 5:12; 1 Jn 5:16-17; Rom 6:20-23
  + CCC: 366; 400-403; 413; 1005-1008; 1020-1021; 1681
* **Spiritual death**
  + Scripture: Rom 1: 20-32; Eph 2:1
  + CCC 1861; 187; 1472
  + Other: <https://www.catholic.com/qa/how-do-i-talk-about-degrees-of-sin>
* **Suffering**
  + Scripture: Job 42; Ecc 3:1-8; 2 Cor 5:6-7; 1 Cor 13:12; Col 1:24; Rom 4:18
  + CCC: 164; 1521;1508
  + Other:
    - <https://www.catholic.com/magazine/print-edition/the-problem-of-suffering-reconsidered>
    - <https://www.catholic.com/qa/how-can-i-make-emotional-sense-out-of-suffering-when-it-happens>
    - <https://www.catholic.com/magazine/online-edition/what-is-the-answer-to-suffering>
    - See Fr. Robert Spitzer on suffering

**Judgement: Particular/Last**

* + Scripture:  Luke 16:22; 23:43; 2 Cor. 5:8; Phil. 1:23; Heb 9:27; Mt 3:7-12; Mt 25:31-46; 1 Cor 2:9; Jn 5:26-29
  + CCC: 678-679; 682; 1015-1017; 1021-1022; 1038-1041, Creed pg. 49-50 of CCC
  + Other:
    - <https://www.catholic.com/qa/what-happens-to-our-bodies-immediately-after-we-die>
    - <https://www.catholic.com/magazine/online-edition/why-are-there-two-judgments>

**Hell**

* Scripture: 1 Jn 3: 14-15; Mt 5:22, 29, 10:28; 13:42, 50;Mt 7: 13-14;Mt 25:31-46; Mk 9:43-48; Phil 2:10; Acts 2:24; Rev 1:18; Eph 4:9; Pss 6:6, 88:11-13
* CCC: 633; 1033-1037; 1861
* Other:
  + <https://www.catholic.com/tract/the-hell-there-is>
  + <https://www.catholic.com/magazine/print-edition/the-reality-of-hell>
  + <https://www.catholic.com/magazine/online-edition/yes-hell-is-real-and-eternal>

**Purgatory and Heaven**

* **Purgatory**
  + Scripture: 2 Mc 12: 43-46; Wis 3:1-6; Job 1:5; Mt 5:48; Rev 21:27, Mt 5:8; 1 Cor 3: 10-15; 1 Pet:7; Mt 12:31
  + CCC: 1030-1032
  + Other:
    - Councils of Florence/Trent
    - [**https://www.catholic.com/tract/purgatory**](https://www.catholic.com/tract/purgatory)
    - [**https://www.catholic.com/encyclopedia/purgatory**](https://www.catholic.com/encyclopedia/purgatory)
    - [**https://www.catholic.com/magazine/online-edition/is-purgatory-in-the-bible**](https://www.catholic.com/magazine/online-edition/is-purgatory-in-the-bible)
* **Heaven**
  + Scripture: Pss 155:16; Wis 9:9; Jn 4:14; Jn 14:2-3;Mt 5:8; Mt 5:16; 1 Cor 2:9; 1 Jn 3:2; Rev 4:11
  + CCC: 295; 325-326; 1023-1029;
  + Other:
    - [**https://www.catholic.com/magazine/online-edition/what-is-heaven**](https://www.catholic.com/magazine/online-edition/what-is-heaven)
    - [**https://www.catholic.com/encyclopedia/Heaven**](https://www.catholic.com/encyclopedia/Heaven)
    - [**https://www.catholic.com/magazine/online-edition/do-all-people-go-to-heaven**](https://www.catholic.com/magazine/online-edition/do-all-people-go-to-heaven)