



## *Faith Seeking Understanding*

## **New Course for Teachers and Board Members 2016-17**

The administration of this course will be managed by the Jesuit Education Desk.

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**Closing Date for Registration: 22nd of September**

*The one who sets about making others better  
Is wasting their time  
Unless they begin with themselves.  
(Ignatius of Loyola)*

*Let, the word of Christ, in all its richness find a home  
with you. Teach each other, and advise each other, in  
all wisdom.*

**(From Paul's letter to the Colossians)**



Over the last four years the Jesuit, Le Chéile, Loreto and Spiritan school Trusts have been collaborating with one another by running courses on School Leadership. This year, in addition to the course for Middle Leaders, in collaboration with the Loyola Institute in Trinity College, we are offering a series of lectures/workshops that are aimed at providing an introduction to Theology for Principals; Deputy-Principals; teachers and, Board Members.

As teachers and leaders in Catholic schools we may often wonder what really lies at the heart of our belief; what are the core insights that not only inform and guide us in our everyday dealings but might also enliven the way we look at life and the world around us.

The course will explore such key questions as:

- \* What do Catholics actually believe in?
- \* Do you know what **YOU** believe in?
- \* What is our life about?
- \* What happens after death?
- \* Why is there so much suffering in the world?

*We do not pretend to have all the answers but we will explore together many of the key questions.*

**The Costs for this course will be covered  
by the Trusts.**

## Course Outline

**October 5<sup>th</sup>**  
*Session One:*

### **The God Question**

- \* *The Trinitarian God*
- \* *The New Atheism*

**October 26<sup>th</sup>**  
*Session Two:*

### **The Scriptures**

- \* *The Old Testament*
- \* *The New Testament*

**November 23<sup>th</sup>**  
*Session Three:*

### **Theological Anthropology**

- \* *The Environment/Laudate Si*
- \* *Saints and Mystics*

**January 18<sup>th</sup>**  
*Session Four:*

### **Contemporary Debates**

- \* *The Sacraments*
- \* *Medical Ethics*

**February 15<sup>th</sup>**  
*Session Five:*

### **The Church in the Modern World**

- \* *The Church*
- \* *Liturgy*

**March 15<sup>th</sup>**  
*Session Six:*

### **Big Questions**

- \* *The Soul*
  
- \* *Open Forum*

Time: 5-8 p.m.

Lecturers will include: Fáinche Ryan,

Con Casey, Siobhan Corrigan, Raphael Gallagher,  
and John Scally