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OTHER

- ECM *Ecumenism, Eschatology and Mission*. Geneva: World Council of Churches, 1962
- CDI *Compendium for the Doctrine of the Faith*
- DS *Denziger-Schönmeier, Expositio Symboli et Canon 391 of Paderborn*, 1965
- PL J. Migne, *Patrologia Latina*
- RCIA *Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults*
- USCCB United States Conference of Catholic Bishops
- WCC World Council of Churches