

*Year 8*  
**Religious  
Education  
Test 2021**

**NAME:**

**SCHOOL:**

# Practice Questions

- 1 What did Jesus do at the Last Supper?
- A He washed his disciples' feet.
  - B He raised Lazarus from the dead.
  - C He prayed for forty days and forty nights.
  - D He calmed the sea.
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- 2 Justice can be defined as a concern for
- A peace and genuine respect.
  - B prosperity and achievement.
  - C discipline and punishment.
  - D health and happiness.
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- 3 Select the correct option to complete the "Sign of the Cross" prayer.

In the name of the 1 and of the 2 and of the 3 Spirit. Amen.

<b>A</b>	1. Lord 2. Saviour 3. Holy	<b>B</b>	1. Almighty 2. Everlasting 3. Holy	<b>C</b>	1. Father 2. Son 3. Holy	<b>D</b>	1. Creator 2. Redeemer 3. Holy
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# Test Instructions

There are 50 multiple choice questions.

Read each question carefully and choose the answer from the four options, A, B, C or D.

Shade the letter of the option you have chosen on the answer sheet, not the test paper.

Mark only one answer for each question.

Use a 2B or B pencil only. Rub out mistakes completely.

Make sure you have filled in your name, school code and other information on the answer sheet.

# Test Questions

1



Which of the following Scripture passages is reflected in the image above?

- A I fear no evil, for you are with me, your rod and your staff comfort me. (Ps 23: 4)
- B “I am the Alpha and the Omega”, says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty. (Rev 1: 8)
- C Justice, and only justice, you shall pursue, so that you may live and occupy the land that the Lord your God is giving you. (Deut 16: 20)
- D You cause the grass to grow... plants for people to use and bring forth food from the earth (Ps 104: 14)

2

Read the following scenario and then answer question 2.

*Hugo is upset when some children at school make fun of him because he goes to Mass on Sundays with his grandparents. He tries not to let it bother him but it still hurts him.*

Which of Jesus’ statements would be most appropriate in helping Hugo be resilient in the face of this challenge?

- A “Do not be afraid. Follow me!”
- B “Blessed are the humble.”
- C “Tend my sheep.”
- D “Man cannot live on bread alone.”



- 3 Which of the following did Jesus teach his disciples to pray?
- A Nicene Creed
  - B The Lord's Prayer
  - C Apostles' Creed
  - D Act of Contrition
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- 4 Read the passage to answer question 4.

*'The beauty of creation reflects the infinite beauty of the Creator.'*

CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH NO. 341

In this statement, the term 'Creator' refers to

- A God.
  - B humans.
  - C the Church.
  - D the Planet.
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- 5 I celebrate my Feast Day on August 8. I founded a religious order. I am one of Australia's two patron saints. Who am I?
- A Our Lady Help of Christians
  - B Mary of the Cross MacKillop
  - C Eileen O'Connor
  - D Irene McCormack
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- 6 Jesus' action of washing the feet of his disciples best demonstrates the Christian value of
- A gratitude.
  - B service.
  - C leadership.
  - D forgiveness.

**7 The Shema prayer can be found in the Old Testament:**

*Hear, O Israel: The Lord is our God, the Lord alone. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might.*

DEUTERONOMY 6:4-5

The prayer was used by Jesus in the New Testament to respond to a Pharisee's question about the commandments. Christians call Jesus' response the

- A Greatest Commandment.
- B Commandment of Love.
- C Commandment of Israel.
- D Deuteronomy Commandment.

**8 Which of the following terms best reflects the term dominion as understood in the Christian story of creation?**

- A control
- B superiority
- C dominance
- D responsibility

**9 Select the correct terms from below to complete the statement.**

Christian Tradition teaches that all human persons have 1 and worth because they are made in the 2 and likeness of God. Human persons are 'not just something but someone.' All are 3 and precious and share the same human dignity.

(KWL 7-18-2)

	1	2	3
A	dignity	image	equal
B	justice	image	generous
C	dignity	peace	equal
D	justice	peace	generous



10



In Michelangelo's painting of God and Adam, God is depicted as a

- A teacher.
  - B warrior.
  - C creator.
  - D shepherd.
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11 Which of the following are Eastern Catholic Churches?

- A Syriac, Orthodox and Latin
  - B Russian Orthodox, Coptic and Serbian
  - C Chaldean, Maronite and Melkite
  - D Ethiopian, Greek Orthodox and Ukrainian
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12 The Catholic view of life is that the world and the people in it are essentially good.

This is because

- A everyone is born free to make their own decisions.
- B everything is created and sustained by God.
- C nothing can happen without God's control.
- D good things happen to faithful people.

- 13 Christians can **best** demonstrate the importance of conscience by
- A thinking about the consequences of their actions.
  - B placing individual needs before the needs of others.
  - C working hard to get a good education.
  - D choosing their friends carefully.
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14



*“Until large numbers of religious arrived, **lay people** staffed these parish schools, often in a single room, with boys and girls of different levels separated by a curtain.”*

ARCHBISHOP ANTHONY FISHER,  
HOMILY FOR THE MASS FOR THE BICENTENARY OF CATHOLIC EDUCATION, 2021

Which of the following is an example of a ‘lay’ person?

- A Fr. James Dixon, first priest to say Mass in Australia, 15 May, 1803
  - B Archbishop Bede Polding, Australia’s first Archbishop, 1843 - 1877
  - C Mrs Eliza Cahill, Principal, All Saints Primary School, Liverpool, 1839 - 1848
  - D Sr Xavier Williams, first Australian profession, Sisters of Charity, 1839
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- 15 Read the Scripture passage to answer question 15.

***Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.***

MATTHEW 5:9

These words of Jesus encourage Christians to

- A pray for the sick.
- B feed the hungry.
- C break down barriers that divide people.
- D participate in the local church community.



**16** Read the Scripture passage to answer question 16.

*Then he said to her, 'Your sins are forgiven.' But those who were at the table with him began to say among themselves, 'Who is this who even forgives sins?' And he said to the woman, 'Your faith has saved you; go in peace.'*

LUKE 7:48-50

Which characteristic of Jesus is being demonstrated in this passage?

- A holiness
- B mercy
- C faith
- D piety

**17** According to Catholic teaching, the COVID-19 pandemic would be best considered a     ? evil.

- A moral
- B ethical
- C natural
- D spiritual

**18** Read the Scripture passage to answer question 18.

*And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."*

MARK 1:10-11

Which event is being described in this passage?

- A the Annunciation
- B the birth of Jesus
- C the Baptism of Jesus
- D the Resurrection of Jesus

19 Read the following statement from Caritas Australia to answer question 19.

***Every year, countless people turn Lent into a demonstration of faith, love and generosity. You can be a part of this incredible community, who believe that there are simple actions we can all take to 'be more' for our world.***

PROJECT COMPASSION 2021

Supporting the work of Project Compassion allows students to

- A fulfil their obligations of attending a Catholic school.
- B demonstrate love and respect of neighbour.
- C support people in their immediate community.
- D make up for the sins they have committed during the year.

20



Following her children being killed by a drunk driver, Leila Abdallah said:

***We chose to turn our tragedy into a greater goodness. We chose to carry our cross with dignity. We chose forgiveness and love over hatred.***

LEILA ABDALLAH, ABC NEWS

Leila Abdallah's forgiveness is an example of

- A good triumphing over evil.
- B grief impacting on decision-making.
- C evil actions being required for people to do good things.
- D people taking action to achieve justice.



21 Read the statements to answer question 21.

<b>Statement 1</b>	Jesus used everyday language and imagery to express important messages in the parables.
<b>Statement 2</b>	Jesus encouraged the disciples to reflect on the meaning of the parables.

- A Statement 1 is true and statement 2 is false.
- B Both statement 1 and statement 2 are true.
- C Statement 1 is false and statement 2 is true.
- D Both statement 1 and statement 2 are false.

22 Read the Scripture passage to answer question 22.

*In everything do to others as you would have them do to you; for this is the law and the prophets.*

MATTHEW 7:12

What is the name of the teaching described in this passage?

- A the Judgement of the Nations.
- B the Law and the Prophets.
- C the Peace of the Lord.
- D the Golden Rule.

23 The Church provides many tools to assist us in deepening our relationship with God through personal prayer. One of these methods is a process of reading, reflecting, praying, and acting on the Word of God. This form of prayer is called

- A meditation.
- B Lectio Divina.
- C Liturgy of the Hours.
- D the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass.



24



The celebrant wears red vestments during

- A Lent.
- B Advent.
- C Pentecost.
- D Ordinary Time.

25

Read the following statement to answer question 25.

***Alongside families and parishes they are the principal meeting point of our Church with you, our young people. There, many of you encounter Christ, intensify your knowledge and love of God, and are formed as future leaders and contributors to Australian society and to the building of God's kingdom.***

ARCHBISHOP ANTHONY FISHER, 2021

To what is Archbishop Anthony referring in this statement?

- A Catholic schools
- B Catholic parishes
- C Catholic charities
- D Catholic youth festivals

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In which part of the Mass does the homily take place?

- A Introductory Rites
- B Liturgy of the Word
- C Liturgy of the Eucharist
- D Concluding Rites



27

Read the Scripture passage to answer question 27.

*Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor; and he said to him, "All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me." Jesus said to him, "Away with you, Satan! for it is written, 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.'"*

MATTHEW 4:8-11

Which text from a Catholic prayer relates most closely to this passage?

- A Pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death.
- B As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end.
- C Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
- D To you I come, before you I stand, sinful and sorrowful.

28

The rite of \_\_\_\_ ? \_\_\_\_ has the following four parts:

- Presentation of the candidate
- Renewal of baptismal vows
- Laying of hands
- Anointing with Chrism.

- A Baptism
- B Eucharist
- C Confirmation
- D Reconciliation

29

Read the Scripture passage to answer question 29.

*All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need.*

ACTS 2:44-45

Which of the following teachings is closely related to this passage?

- A Care for God's creation
- B Love your neighbour as yourself
- C Share the Good News of the Scriptures
- D Do not judge on appearances

30 Read the statement to answer question 30.

*As the early Christians gathered in their homes they shared stories of Jesus' miracles and parables.*

This stage in the development of the Gospels is known as the

- A oral tradition.
  - B historical tradition.
  - C missionary tradition.
  - D composition tradition.
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31 Read the statement to answer question 31.

*In order to ensure the proper care of our common home, we must become a "we" that is ever wider and more co-responsible, in the profound conviction that whatever good is done in our world is done for present and future generations.*

POPE FRANCIS, TWITTER, 18 MAY 2021

The Pope's statement asks us to reflect on

- A environmental worship.
  - B environmental activism.
  - C environmental stewardship.
  - D environmental commonality.
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32 Read the statement to answer question 32.

*Each year the Jewish community celebrates the exodus of its people from slavery in Egypt to freedom in the Promised Land.*

What is the name given to this special event in the life of the People of Israel?

- A Passover
- B Pentecost
- C Pentateuch
- D Presentation

**33** Read the statement to answer question 33.

*I believe in one, holy, Catholic, and apostolic church.*

What do Catholics mean when we say the church is 'one'?

- A It is united in Creed, teachings and the Sacraments.
- B Its members care for the poor and marginalised.
- C It is united in the prayers of the Church.
- D Its members all have similar gifts and talents.

**34** Read the Scripture passage to answer question 34.

*When they came to the place that God had shown him, Abraham built an altar there and laid the wood in order. He bound his son Isaac, and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood. Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to kill his son. But the angel of the Lord called to him from heaven, and said, "Abraham, Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am." He said, "Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him; for now I know that you fear God, since you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me."*

LEVITICUS 26:9-12

Which Biblical theme is expressed in this passage?

- A Salvation
- B Covenant
- C Forgiveness
- D Redemption

35 Read the Scripture passage to answer question 35.

*For the Lord is a great God,  
and a great King above all gods.  
In his hand are the depths of the earth;  
the heights of the mountains are his also.*

PSALM 95:3-4

This passage is a prayer of

- A praise.
- B petition.
- C intercession.
- D thanksgiving.

36 Read the statement to answer question 36.

*My role is to be a 'teacher', with the important responsibility of preaching the Word of God to my people. One of my favourite things to do is travel around my diocese, visiting parishes and administering the Sacrament of Confirmation.*

Who am I?

- A a deacon
- B an acolyte
- C a priest
- D a bishop

37 Read the statements to answer question 37.

<b>Statement 1</b>	A sign is anything that points to or represents something else.
<b>Statement 2</b>	A symbol represents an unseen, deeper reality.

- A Statement 1 is true and statement 2 is false.
- B Statement 1 is false and statement 2 is true.
- C Both statement 1 and statement 2 are false.
- D Both statement 1 and statement 2 are true.



- 38 What image could be used in a modern parable to best express the Kingdom of God?
- A the destruction of homes during a flood
  - B the global spread of the Covid-19 pandemic
  - C people contributing to global warming
  - D people working together to recover after bushfires
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- 39 In the “Our Father”, we pray,  
*Forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.*
- Which of these passages most closely relates to this part of the prayer?
- A Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful. (Lk 6:36)
  - B Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. (Lk 6:20)
  - C Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. (Mt 22:37)
  - D You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour. (Ex. 5:16)
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40



In Chapter 4 of Luke’s Gospel, Jesus reads from the Prophet Isaiah in the synagogue. In this scene the Gospel writers are showing a link between

- A Jesus and the synagogue.
- B the synagogue and the New Testament.
- C the Prophets and the early Church.
- D the Old Testament and the New Testament.

41 Read the Scripture passage to answer question 41.

*When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars that you have established.*

PSALM 8:3

Which of the following is a central message of the Church teaching on creation found in Psalm 8?

- A God is not omnipotent.
- B The heavens existed before God.
- C Creation has been abandoned by God.
- D God is not a part of the created universe.

42 Read the statement to answer question 42.

*When we went on a tour of the church, Fr. Gary taught us to genuflect by touching our knee to the ground.*

Why do Catholics genuflect when entering and leaving the church?

- A to follow in the actions of Jesus
- B to show respect for the parish priest
- C to follow the guidelines of the Catechism
- D to show reverence for the Blessed Sacrament

43 Read the following quote from Pope Francis to answer question 43.

*I have confidence in you and I pray for you. Have the courage to 'swim against the tide.' And also have the courage to be happy.*

MESSAGE FOR THE 30TH WORLD YOUTH DAY, FEB. 17, 2015

Which of the following **best** describes what Pope Francis calls “swim against the tide”?

- A making good choices as long as they are popular
- B praying for success in everything you do
- C valuing your family and friends above all else
- D upholding your Christian values in all circumstances



**44** Read the Scripture passage to answer 44.

*For I command you today to love the Lord your God, to walk in obedience to him, and to keep his commands, decrees and laws... But if your heart turns away and you are not obedient, and if you are drawn away to bow down to other gods and worship them, I declare to you today that you shall perish; you shall not live long in the land that you are crossing the Jordan to enter and possess.*

DEUTERONOMY 30:16-17

This passage reveals the

- A belief in salvation.
- B Ten Commandments.
- C consequences for misusing freedom.
- D Commandment of Love.

**45** Read the statements to answer question 45.

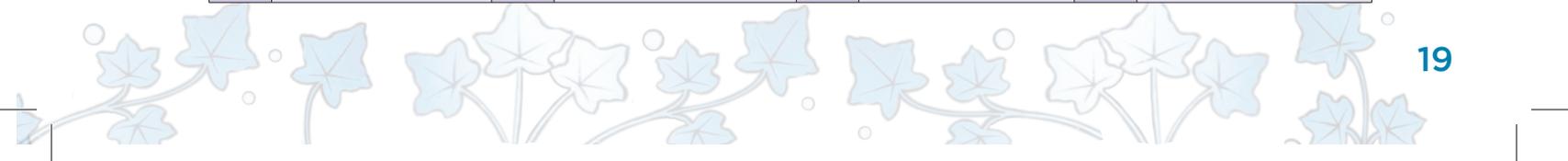
<b>Statement 1</b>	God established the Covenant with the early Christian community on Mt Sinai.
<b>Statement 2</b>	Jesus established a New Covenant through his death and resurrection.

- A Statement 1 is true and statement 2 is false.
- B Statement 1 is false and statement 2 is true.
- C Both statement 1 and statement 2 are false.
- D Both statement 1 and statement 2 are true.

**46** Select the correct option to complete the sentence.

The Catholic Church defines   1   as signs by which Jesus makes known the   2   of God's Kingdom and   3   his people.

<b>A</b>	1. doctrines 2. promises 3. celebrates	<b>B</b>	1. sacraments 2. symbols 3. redeems	<b>C</b>	1. traditions 2. rituals 3. instruct	<b>D</b>	1. sacraments 2. mysteries 3. sanctified
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**47** Read the Scripture passage to answer question 47.

*Now as they went on their way, he entered a certain village, where a woman named Martha invited him into her home. She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to what he was saying. But Martha was distracted by her many tasks; so she came to him and asked, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her then to help me." But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her."*

LUKE 10:38-42

What is the "better part" referred to in the passage?

- A taking a rest from the household chores
- B preparing a table for the Lord's supper
- C reflecting on the teachings of Jesus
- D placing your trust in God

**48** Read the statement to answer question 48.

*All over the world people worship God and read his word in their own language, and colour the great signs and symbols of religion with touches of their own traditions.*

POPE ST JOHN PAUL II,  
ADDRESS TO ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDERS, ALICE SPRINGS, 1986

In this statement, Pope St John Paul II is encouraging Catholics to

- A learn the traditional prayers of the Church.
- B attend Mass with people from every nation.
- C respect the real presence of Christ in the Eucharist.
- D incorporate cultural influences in religious practice.



49 Read the following statement to answer question 49.

*Its voice, ever calling them to love and to do what is good and to avoid evil, tells them inwardly at the right moment to do this, shun that. For they have in their hearts a law inscribed by God.*

GAUDIUM ET SPES #16

This passage is referring to

- A rights.
- B thoughts.
- C conscience.
- D responsibilities.

50 Read the Scripture passage to answer question 50.

*There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all. But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift.*

EPHESIANS 4: 4-7

In this passage, "Christ's gift" refers to

- A how we are united in the Body of Christ
- B how Jesus chooses to give his grace.
- C how God offers baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
- D how we are saved if we believe.







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