



Year 10

Religious Education Test

2023

Q1 Which Gospel is widely regarded to have been written first?

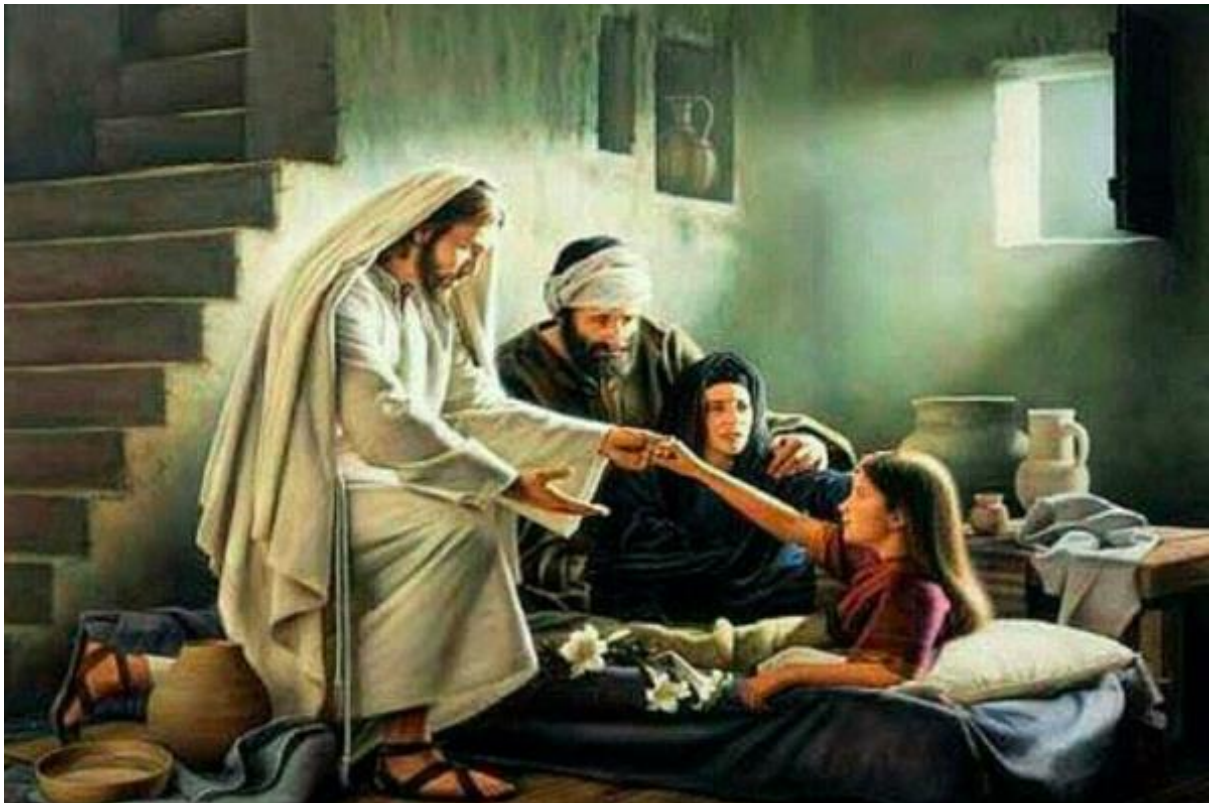
- (A) Matthew
- (B) Mark
- (C) Luke
- (D) John

Q2 There are different kinds of truth in the Bible.

Identify the truth which teaches people how to live their lives and instructs them in what makes up good and bad actions.

- (A) scientific
- (B) historical
- (C) moral
- (D) proverbial

Q3 Look at the image and answer question 3.



The image above BEST represents Jesus as

- (A) a healer.
- (B) the Saviour.
- (C) a teacher.
- (D) the Prophet.

Q4 Read the statement and answer question 4.

“It is the desire of the kingdom of heaven and eternal life. It is when we place our trust in Jesus’ promises and rely not on our own strength, but on the help of the Holy Spirit.”

CCC, #181

Which virtue does this statement describe?

- (A) justice
- (B) awe
- (C) hope
- (D) charity

Q5 The Catholic Church opposes euthanasia.

Which “foundational principle” of Catholic Social Teaching does this reflect?

- (A) hope of salvation
- (B) sanctity of human life
- (C) freedom of conscience
- (D) equal protection under the law

Q6 Choose the word that BEST completes the statement.

The Sacrament of _____ ? _____ allows Catholics to acknowledge sin and be restored in love and communion.

- (A) Baptism
- (B) Confirmation
- (C) Penance
- (D) Eucharist

Q7 The Catechism of the Catholic Church states that a belief of Christianity is that Jesus suffered death.

Which characteristic of Jesus does this display?

- (A) humanity
- (B) divinity
- (C) holiness
- (D) vulnerability

Q8 The term countercultural means to

- (A) encounter different forms of culture in society.
- (B) conform to popular standards in society.
- (C) maintain standards, even if it is unpopular in society.
- (D) break the laws in society, when following one's faith.

Q9 Christians are called to develop and exercise their personal and moral responsibility in a way that recognises human dignity.

Why is this important?

- (A) so that wrongs of the past are addressed
- (B) so that the Gospel message of Jesus is lived in everyday life
- (C) so society can witness a decrease in atheism
- (D) so that human suffering is eliminated

Q10 Read the statement and answer question 10.

“God chose men and while employed by Him they made use of their powers and abilities, so that with Him acting in them and through them, they, as true authors, consigned to writing everything and only those things which He wanted.”

Dei Verbum, 11

What Catholic understanding of the Bible does this statement reflect?

- (A) The Bible was written by men, but inspired by God.
- (B) God wrote the Bible.
- (C) God dictated the Bible to authors, who wrote it word for word.
- (D) The biblical authors wrote the Bible to spread the Good News.

Q11 Matthew's Gospel was written for a predominantly Jewish audience.

Matthew's Gospel presents Jesus as the new

- (A) Abraham.
- (B) Joseph.
- (C) Moses.
- (D) Micah.

Q12 Choose the word that BEST completes the statement.

In the Catholic Church, the term _____?_____ refers to the transmission of “doctrine, life and worship.”

-CCC #78

- (A) Canon
- (B) Tradition
- (C) Homily
- (D) Exhortation

Q13 The Great Schism of 1054 saw the formation of two separate branches of Christianity.

These branches were

- (A) Anglican and Catholic.
- (B) Baptist and Orthodox.
- (C) Catholic and Orthodox.
- (D) Anglican and Baptist.

Q14 The Catholic Church teaches that there are two inseparable purposes of marriage. One is the loving union of the man and woman.

What is the second teaching?

- (A) a financially secure life
- (B) a lifetime of happiness
- (C) the promise to be faithful to each other until death
- (D) the birth, upbringing and education of children

Q15 In the parable of The Prodigal Son, the father forgives his son when he returns and welcomes him home.

This demonstrates God’s

- (A) empathy and kindness.
- (B) mercy and love.
- (C) compassion.
- (D) grace.

Q16 Exodus tells the story of the Israelites being liberated from slavery in Egypt, entering into a covenantal relationship with God.

During this time, God delivered

- (A) the Sermons.
- (B) the Epistles.
- (C) the Revelations.
- (D) the Decalogue.

Q17 The Beatitudes can be found in two Gospels, as part of the Sermon on the Mount and the Sermon on the Plain.

In which Gospels can these two accounts be found?

- (A) Luke and John
- (B) Matthew and Luke
- (C) Mark and Matthew
- (D) John and Mark

Q18 Read the following statement to answer question 18.

What am I?

I am written by the Pope and my principal audience is the bishops and pastors of the world, and all who teach and defend the Catholic faith.

I help everyone better understand how to apply the teachings of Sacred Scripture and Catholic Tradition—especially in light of a particular issue.

I offer important guiding principles for the faithful to reflect on.

There is a tradition in the Church, especially over the past century, to write on issues such as the rights of labourers, the environment or the development of human beings and cultures.

I am

- (A) a Papal Bull.
- (B) a Pastoral Letter.
- (C) an Ecclesial Directive.
- (D) an Encyclical.

Q19 St Paul's epistles can be BEST described as

- (A) instructional messages, clarifying Christian beliefs and practices.
- (B) congratulatory messages for early Christian communities.
- (C) detailed accounts of his missionary journeys.
- (D) the new Gospels of Christianity.

Q20 Read the Scripture passage and answer question 20.

“Jesus asked his disciples: ‘But who do you say that I am?’ Simon Peter answered, ‘You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.’ And Jesus answered him, ‘Blessed are you, Simon, son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven’”.

MATTHEW 16:15-20

What belief about Jesus is presented in this Gospel passage?

- (A) He is fully integrated into the Holy Trinity.
- (B) He is the Good Shepherd that takes care of all people.
- (C) He is the Saviour, revealed to humanity by God.
- (D) He is truly present in the Eucharist.

Q21 The following events took place in the development of the Catholic Church in Australia.

1	Bede Polding became bishop.
2	The construction of the first St Mary's Cathedral began in Sydney.
3	The first public Mass was celebrated by Fr James Dixon.

In which order did these events occur?

- (A) 1, 2, 3
- (B) 1, 3, 2
- (C) 3, 2, 1
- (D) 3, 1, 2

Q22 The Archdiocese of Sydney has established an anti-slavery taskforce to eradicate modern slavery.

What does this initiative BEST demonstrate?

- (A) an understanding of the work of the Church
- (B) an appreciation of the human dignity of every person
- (C) a concern for political issues in society
- (D) an acknowledgement of human life

Q23 Using the stimulus, choose the option that BEST completes the statement.

“Catholic schools should offer an education in human solidarity and Christian fraternity and make it possible ‘for each human being to shape his or her own future’”.

Pastoral Letter from Bishops Australia Celebrating 200 Years of Catholic Education in Australia 2021

Catholic schools should continue to focus on

- (A) passing on the Catholic faith, life and culture.
- (B) ensuring all students receive Catholic sacraments.
- (C) passing on Catholic teachings to parents.
- (D) ensuring schools are open for students to attend.

Q24 Using the Scripture passage, choose the option that BEST completes the statement.

“For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ.”

1 CORINTHIANS 12:12

In this passage, St Paul is emphasising that the Church is

- (A) the building where Christians worship.
- (B) the pope and the bishops.
- (C) the people who go to Mass.
- (D) the whole community of Christians.

Q25 Read Pope Francis’ message and answer question 25.

“He awaits us; he always awaits us. Not to magically resolve problems, but to strengthen us amid our problems. Jesus does not lift the burdens from our life, but the anguish from our heart; he does not take away our cross, but carries it with us.”

Pope Francis, Angelus, 9 July 2017

Which enduring question is addressed by Pope Francis’ words?

- (A) Does God solve my problems?
- (B) How can I cope with suffering?
- (C) How should I treat my neighbour?
- (D) What happens when I die?

Q26 Christians are called to surrender to God’s plan and become instruments of transformation for humanity and the world.

How can Christians BEST achieve this?

- (A) showing love and forgiveness to all people
- (B) actively promoting human rights
- (C) joining a community organisation
- (D) being inclusive of everyone

Q27 Which of the following is NOT a degree in the hierarchy of the Sacrament of Holy Orders?

- (A) deacon
- (B) priest
- (C) acolyte
- (D) bishop

Q28 Read the following Scripture passage to answer question 28.

“Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.”

MATTHEW 5:3

What is this Beatitude calling Jesus’ followers to do?

- (A) to follow the commandments and Christ’s new law of love
- (B) to never question their faith
- (C) to stand up for what is right
- (D) to be humble before God and rely on His grace

Q29 Read each of the statements and answer question 29.

Statement 1	Catholic Social Teaching highlights that every person has a duty to seek the truth in matters of morality.
Statement 2	Catholic Social Teaching recognises that conscience has no place in moral decision making.

Which option is correct?

- (A) Both statements are true.
- (B) Both statements are false.
- (C) Statement 1 is true and Statement 2 is false.
- (D) Statement 1 is false and Statement 2 is true.

Q30 The tradition of Catholic Social Teaching encourages a process of reflection to address an issue of inequity.

This process is known as the

- (A) Perceive-Judge-Action methodology.
- (B) See-Judge-Act methodology.
- (C) See-Discern-Action methodology.
- (D) Perceive-Discern-Act methodology.

Q31 Read the following two quotations and answer question 31.

“The earth, our home, is beginning to look more and more like an immense pile of filth.” (# 21)

“Never have we so hurt and mistreated our common home as we have in the last two hundred years.” (# 53)

Select the correct option to complete the statement.

These quotes were written by Pope _____ 1 _____ and are found in his _____ 2 _____ known as _____ 3 _____ si’.

- (A) 1. Francis
2. encyclical
3. Laudato
- (B) 1. Benedict XVI
2. exhortation
3. Evangelii
- (C) 1. John Paul II
2. Apostolic Letter
3. Laudato
- (D) 1. Francis
2. Apostolic Letter
3. Fratelli

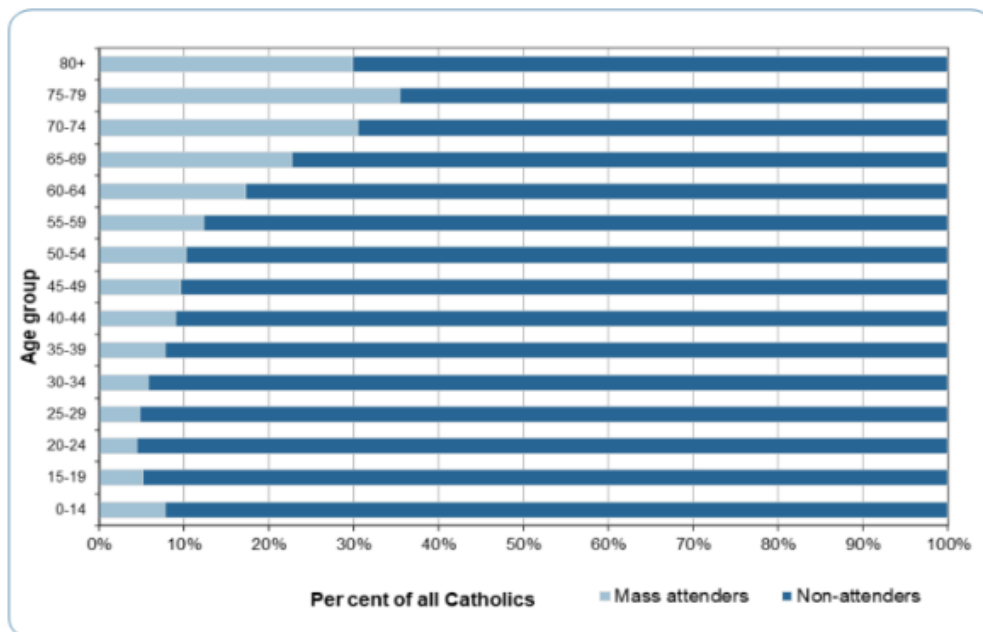
Q32 The Gospel is a gift of God, not something that needs to be earned.

The message of the Gospel is best known as

- (A) the living Good News.
- (B) the changing Good News.
- (C) the contemporary Good News.
- (D) Christ's Good News.

Q33 This graph shows the percentage of Catholics in Australia attending Church regularly, and those not attending Church regularly.

Figure 4: Mass attendance rates by age, 2016



Derived from data from the 2016 National Church Life Survey, the 2016 National Count of Attendance and Census of Population and Housing 2016.

What age group has the highest rate of Mass attendance?

- (A) 75-79
- (B) 60-64
- (C) 40-44
- (D) 15-19

Q34 Choose the answer that BEST completes the statement.

Vatican II's teachings highlighted the importance of reading "the signs of the times". This can be interpreted as a view that takes into account that

- (A) the lived experience of clergy is integral to the growth of the Church.
- (B) the Church should listen to and learn from the world around it.
- (C) historical events provide opportunities for reflection and growth.
- (D) Scripture is more important than Tradition.

Q35 Read the following Scripture passage and answer question 35.

"Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it."

JOHN 14:12-14

What does this passage BEST reveal?

- (A) Jesus will be glorified by the Father.
- (B) People should act in the same manner as Christ.
- (C) Those who do great things will be rewarded.
- (D) Jesus is the way to the Father.

Q36 Choose the option that BEST completes the following statement.

Through their Baptism, Christians are called to

- (A) serve others.
- (B) enjoy life.
- (C) be successful.
- (D) work together.

Q37 Read the following statement to answer question 37.

Every year, the Australian Catholic Bishops encourage the Catholic community to reflect and act on specific social, economic and ecological issues.

This is done through an annual

- (A) Collaborative Homily.
- (B) Social Justice Statement.
- (C) Apostolic Exhortation.
- (D) Ecclesial Dissertation.

Q38 Read the following Scripture passage and answer question 38.

“As Jesus walked beside the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the lake, for they were fishermen. ‘Come, follow me,’ Jesus said, ‘and I will send you out to fish for people.’ At once they left their nets and followed him.”

MARK 1:16-18

This Scripture passage relates to the Sacrament of

- (A) Matrimony.
- (B) Holy Orders.
- (C) Reconciliation.
- (D) Anointing of the Sick.

Q39 Study the map and answer question 39.



What does the map reveal about the Gospels?

- (A) They were written for a unified Christian church.
- (B) They had messages that were identical, even though they were written by different authors.
- (C) They were all written for similar audiences.
- (D) They were written for different communities with different contexts.

Q40 Read the following scenarios and answer question 40.

Scenario 1	Charlotte volunteers each Saturday to assist with the St Vincent de Paul Night Patrol.
Scenario 2	Joe is currently in his 4th year at the Good Shepherd Seminary.

Which of the following is correct?

- (A) Both Charlotte and Joe are engaged in ministry.
- (B) Both Charlotte and Joe are called to a vocation.
- (C) Joe is called to a vocation while Charlotte is engaged in a ministry.
- (D) Joe is engaged in a ministry while Charlotte is called to a vocation.

Q41 Read the following stimulus and answer question 41.

“NSW Parliament has recently passed a new religious vilification law. This law makes it an offence to ‘incite hatred towards, serious contempt for, or severe ridicule of’ a person or group of people on religious grounds.”

Adam Wesselinoff
The Catholic Weekly, August 4, 2023

Which of the following issues does this law BEST address?

- (A) religious freedom
- (B) changing community values
- (C) inter-religious dialogue
- (D) human rights

Q42 Read the Scripture passage and answer question 42.

“They brought to him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they begged him to lay his hand on him. He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue. Then looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, ‘Ephphatha,’ that is, ‘Be opened.’ And immediately his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly.”

MARK 7:32-35

Which of the following BEST describes Jesus’ actions in this scripture passage?

- (A) praying
- (B) healing
- (C) respecting
- (D) teaching

Q43 Read the following statement and answer question 43.

“Caritas strives for a world where the voices of the poor are heard and acted upon.”

Caritas International, Vision Statement

Which of the following Beatitudes BEST demonstrates the mission of Caritas?

- (A) “Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.”
- (B) “Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.”
- (C) “Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.”
- (D) “Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.”

Q44 Read each of the statements and answer question 44.

Statement 1	Catholics read the Story of Creation as a literal interpretation of how the world was created.
Statement 2	Jesus tells his disciples they are “salt of the earth” to figuratively explain their mission to bring about the Kingdom of God.

Which option is correct?

- (A) Both statements are true.
- (B) Both statements are false.
- (C) Statement 1 is true and Statement 2 is false.
- (D) Statement 1 is false and Statement 2 is true.

Q45 Which Ecumenical Council am I?

I was the 21st Ecumenical Council of the Catholic Church. I was announced by Pope John XXIII. I met for approximately three months every year, for four years, in the European autumn. I was also the first to be covered by newspapers and magazines from all over the world, as well as by radio and television.

I am

- (A) The Council of Trent.
- (B) The Council of Ephesus.
- (C) Vatican I.
- (D) Vatican II.

Q46 The 2021 Australian Census indicated that the two major Christian denominations in Australia are

- (A) Uniting Church and Catholic.
- (B) Catholic and Anglican.
- (C) Presbyterian and Anglican.
- (D) Anglican and Lutheran.

Q47 Read the following extract and answer question 47.

“The word of God given to us makes us not only hearers, but also heralds so that we share in Christ’s mission and are empowered by the Holy Spirit.”

Dei Verbum, 91

Which option BEST describes the meaning of the word “herald”?

- (A) evangelist
- (B) preacher
- (C) speaker
- (D) messenger

Q48 What is meant by “Viaticum”?

- (A) It is the first Holy Communion which a person receives.
- (B) It is the last confession that a person receives before dying.
- (C) It is the last Holy Communion that a person receives before dying.
- (D) It is the first confession which a person experiences.

Q49 Catholic Social Teaching has been increasingly enriched and refined over the years.

Select the correct option to complete the statement about the origins of Catholic Social Teaching.

Pope _____ 1 _____ first proclaimed Catholic social doctrine in his encyclical letter _____ 2 _____ in _____ 3 _____.

- (A) 1. Francis
2. Rerum Novarum
3. 2020
- (B) 1. John XXII
2. Pacem in Terris
3. 1891
- (C) 1. Francis
2. Evangelium Vitae
3. 1995
- (D) 1. Leo XIII
2. Rerum Novarum
3. 1891

Q50 Which of these statements best describes the Catholic Social Teaching principle of “subsidiarity”?

- (A) People should be empowered to make decisions on issues concerning their own community.
- (B) People should work together to improve the wellbeing of society and the wider world.
- (C) Everyone belongs to one human family, regardless of their national, religious and ethnic differences.
- (D) The Earth and all life on it should be respected as they are all part of God’s creation.