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GCSE RELIGIOUS STUDIES A

Paper 1: Catholic Christianity

Specimen

Morning

Time allowed: 1 hour 45 minutes

Materials

Before you open this booklet, you must ensure you have the question paper/answer booklet for the other **religion option** you are entered for (Buddhism, Hinduism, Islam, Judaism **or** Sikhism).

Instructions

- Use black ink or black ball-point pen.
- Fill in the boxes at both the top of this page and the top of the question paper/answer booklet for the other **religion option**.
- Answer **all** questions.
- Do all rough work in the answer book. Cross through any work you do not want to be marked.
- You must answer the questions in the spaces provided. Do not write outside the box around each page or on blank pages.

Information

- The maximum mark for this option is 51.
- The marks for the questions are shown in brackets.
- Spelling, punctuation and grammar (SPaG) will be assessed in the 12-mark question in the Beliefs section.

Advice

You will have 1 hour 45 minutes to complete **both** question paper/answer booklets. You are advised to spend 50 minutes on this paper and 50 minutes on your other **religion option**.

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Question	Mark
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BELIEFS

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Which **one** of the following is the sacrament in which a young adult becomes a full member of the Church?

[1 mark]

Put a tick (✓) in the box next to the correct answer.

A Matrimony.

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B Reconciliation.

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C Confirmation.

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D Prayer.

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Give **two** beliefs about human beings found in the Genesis creation stories.

[2 marks]

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01.3

Explain **two** ways in which belief in the resurrection of Jesus influences Christians today.

[4 marks]

01.4

Explain **two** Christian teachings about the Incarnation of Jesus.

Refer to sacred writings or another source of Christian belief and teaching in your answer.

[5 marks]

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'The Eucharist is the only sacrament Catholic Christians need.'

Evaluate this statement.

In your answer you should:

- refer to Catholic teaching
- give reasoned arguments to support this statement
- give reasoned arguments to support a different point of view
- reach a justified conclusion.

[12 marks]
[+ 3 SPaG marks]

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PRACTICES

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Which **one** of the following is a Catholic agency?

[1 mark]

Put a tick (✓) in the box next to the correct answer.

A Childline.

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B Cafod.

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C Shelter.

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D Oxfam.

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Give **two** aims of the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul (SVP).

[2 marks]

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2 _____

02.3

Explain **two** contrasting Christian views about the importance of pilgrimage.

[4 marks]

02.4

Explain **two** ways in which the Rosary is important in Catholic worship.

Refer to sacred writings or another source of Christian belief and teaching in your answer.

[5 marks]

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'The best way for Catholics to reach an understanding of God is by practising prayer.'

Evaluate this statement.

In your answer you should:

- refer to Christian teaching
- give reasoned arguments to support this statement
- give reasoned arguments to support a different point of view
- reach a justified conclusion.

[12 marks]

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