Practice Questions

1. What is the correct order in which the four books of the Gospels appear in the Bible?

2. Justice can be defined as a concern for
   A. prosperity and achievement.
   B. discipline and revenge.
   C. health and happiness.
   D. peace and genuine respect.

3. Which word correctly completes the ‘Sign of the Cross’ prayer?
   In the name of the _____ and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
   Amen
   A. Saviour
   B. Redeemer
   C. Father
   D. Creator
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.
1. During the Sacrament of Baptism which symbol invokes God’s protection and asks for entrance into the Body of the Christ?
   A. sign of the Cross
   B. white clothing
   C. oil
   D. Baptismal light

2. Prayer is important for Christians as they believe it is one of the main ways through which
   A. they can be healed.
   B. their relationship with God can grow deeper.
   C. they can become better people.
   D. their view of the world can be broadened.

3. Which traditional prayer is an example of a Marian devotion?
   A. Apostles’ Creed
   B. Our Father
   C. Benediction
   D. The Angelus

4. In the part of the Mass referred to as the ‘Liturgy of the Word’, the readings are taken from
   A. only the Gospels.
   B. only the Old Testament.
   C. both the Gospels and the Epistles.
   D. both the Old and New Testaments.
5 How did the books of the Bible come to be written?
A  Human authors were inspired by the Holy Spirit.
B  Men and women wrote down their experiences.
C  The community compiled their shared beliefs.
D  Angels dictated them to human authors.

6 Read the following statement by Pope Francis to answer question 6.

In Pope Francis’ recent Apostolic Exhortation he wrote,

‘To be holy does not require being a bishop, a priest or a religious. We are frequently tempted to think that holiness is only for those who can withdraw from ordinary affairs to spend much time in prayer. That is not the case. We are all called to be holy by living our lives with love and by bearing witness in everything we do, wherever we find ourselves...’

POPE FRANCIS, MAY 2018, APOSTOLIC EXHORTATION ON THE CALL TO HOLINESS IN TODAY’S WORLD, PARA. 14

Pope Francis calls us to holiness through
A  time spent alone with God.
B  living authentically with kindness.
C  living God’s covenant daily.
D  fasting and almsgiving.
What does the word ‘Catholic’ mean?
A Roman
B Christian
C universal
D Sacramental

Information or beliefs that are handed down, or passed on by word of mouth from one generation to another, are referred to as
A historical books.
B oral traditions.
C ancestral gifts.
D written laws.

According to the Shinto tradition, Honshu, the central island of Japan, was formed when Izanagi and Izanami touched the water with a jewelled spear.
This is an example of
A a creation story.
B the power of weapons.
C the ecosystems of the ocean.
D human impact on the environment.

Jesus taught the Beatitudes during the
A Feeding of the Five Thousand.
B Commissioning of the Disciples.
C Wedding at Cana.
D Sermon on the Mount.

Read the following Scripture passage to answer question 11.

Seek the Lord and his strength, seek his presence continually.

1 CHRONICLES 16:11

This Scripture passage teaches us that
A prayer can only be done at certain times of the day.
B humans must respond to God’s commandments.
C prayer helps us raise our hearts, minds and actions to God.
D prayer is only about praising God.
Read the Scripture passage to answer question 12.

These all look to you
to give them their food in due season;
when you give to them, they gather it up;
when you open your hand, they are filled
with good things.
When you hide your face, they are dismayed;
when you take away their breath, they die
and return to their dust.
When you send forth your spirit, they are created;
and you renew the face of the ground.

Psalm 104:27-30

Psalm 104 is a hymn that
A demonstrates God’s control over all things.
B praises God’s creative wisdom and power.
C gives thanks for God’s generosity.
D demands obedience to God’s commandments.

The main purpose of Bible stories is to
A provide us with answers.
B reveal God to us.
C explain the Trinity to us.
D teach us right from wrong.
Read the statement to answer question 14.

St Thérèse of Lisieux said,

“I was between six and seven when I saw the sea for the first time. I could not turn away my eyes: its majesty, the roaring of the waves, the whole vast spectacle impressed me deeply and spoke to my soul of God’s power and greatness.”

In this statement, apart from God’s power and greatness, St Thérèse of Lisieux was admiring the

A beauty of God’s creation.
B love of God.
C healing nature of God.
D limits of God’s power.

Which word correctly completes this statement?

The principle of ____ is based on the Christian belief that all people are made in the image and likeness of God.

A subsidiarity
B human encounter
C human dignity
D companionship

A red chasuble is worn by the celebrant for feasts and memorials including

A Christmas and Easter.
B Martyrs.
C Doctors of the Church.
D Mary.
17. Read the following statement to answer question 17.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting.

This statement on Christian beliefs is found in the

A Nicene Creed.  
B Preface of Saints.  
C Preface of Apostles.  
D Apostles’ Creed.

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18. The Church’s liturgical year begins with the season of

A Advent.  
B Christmas.  
C Easter.  
D Lent.

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19. On Pentecost Sunday we celebrate the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles, which empowered them to

A preach the Gospel to all nations.  
B witness Jesus ascend into heaven.  
C establish the Catholic Church.  
D reveal God’s creativity and love.

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20. Read the Scripture passage to answer question 20.

And when Paul had laid his hands upon them, the Holy Spirit came on them.

ACTS 19:5–6

This Scripture passage reflects the action used in which Sacrament of Initiation?

A Baptism  
B Confirmation  
C Eucharist  
D Penance
Refer to the tweet by Pope Francis to answer question 21.

Pope Francis’ tweet suggests

A  God is creator of all things.
B  we are to have power over all creation.
C  the needs of the future outweigh the needs of the present.
D  we need to be responsible stewards.

Read the following Scripture passage to answer question 22.

The Parable of the Sower

That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the sea. Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. And he told them many things in parables, saying: “Listen! A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up. Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away. Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. Let anyone with ears listen!”

MATTHEW 13:1–9

In the Parable, the sower represents

A  Jesus.
B  John the Baptist.
C  the farmers.
D  the Pharisees.

Read the Scripture passage to answer question 23.

Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendour; and he said to him, ‘All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me.’

MATTHEW 4:8–9

In this Scripture passage, Satan

A  is establishing a new covenant with God.
B  tempts Jesus with a misuse of power.
C  is giving Jesus God’s Kingdom.
D  denies the power of Jesus.
Read the following statement to answer question 24.

‘The Holy Spirit is clearly guiding us into a deeper sense of companionship and care in regard to all the varied forms of life on planet earth. Not only is the reef a precious ecosystem in itself, but also an integral part of the one web of planetary life that connects us all – the human species and all.’


This statement is a call for

A increased management of commercial fishing.
B greater respect for marine life.
C greater respect and concern for all living things.
D increased biodiversity.

In which Sacraments is the Oil of Chrism used?

A Baptism and Confirmation
B Baptism and Reconciliation
C Anointing of the Sick and Reconciliation
D Anointing of the Sick and Confirmation
Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation are known as the Sacraments of

A  Service.
B  Healing.
C  Vocation.
D  Initiation.

One way of referring to the Kingdom of God would be to identify that it is
the

A  goodness of God revealed in the beauty of creation.
B  present in and through the Church.
C  people’s experience of God’s activity in their lives.
D  waiting for the Messiah and God’s plan for salvation.

Which word correctly completes this statement?

Paul’s missionary journeys resulted in the widespread conversion of   into the Christian community.

A  Babylonians
B  Persians
C  Gentiles
D  Romans

Read the following statement by Pope Francis to answer question 29.

Pope Francis said,

“I invite everyone, citizens and institutions, to join forces to prevent the slave trade and to guarantee protection and assistance for the victims.”

POPE FRANCIS, 7 FEBRUARY 2018, GENERAL AUDIENCE AT THE VATICAN

Pope Francis asks for this because humans

A  are created in the image and likeness of God.
B  should show respect only for the oppressed.
C  are the basis of the social institution.
D  should strive for excellence.
‘We knew we had to do something about our greenhouse emissions. If you look at a typical hospital, we are four and half times more energy-intensive than a commercial space. We’ve installed 10,000 solar panels across 16 hospitals and aged care facilities. So that will generate about 4 million kilowatt hours of electricity.’

DAVID BRYANT, ST VINCENT’S HEALTH AUSTRALIA, 9 FEBRUARY 2018

St Vincent’s Health Australia is taking its ecological responsibility seriously by

A restoring partnerships between religion and science.
B reducing its level of waste.
C reducing its environmental footprint.
D restoring dialogue with environmentalists.

The two sources of Divine Revelation that Catholics believe in are

A Scripture and prayer.
B Scripture and Tradition.
C faith and Tradition.
D prayer and faith.
32. During the season of Lent, which Catholic organisation holds its annual fundraising appeal?
A. Charitable Works Fund
B. Catholic Mission
C. St Vincent de Paul
D. Caritas

33. Read the Scripture passage to answer question 33.
“*In everything do to others as you would have them do to you; for this is the law and the prophets.*”

MATTHEW 7:12

This Scripture passage is calling us to
A. refrain from worrying about the little things in life.
B. always put our own interests first.
C. better ourselves in all we do.
D. treat others well.

34. What is the name given to the central community Church of a diocese?
A. Shrine
B. Basilica
C. Cathedral
D. Chapel

35. Read the Scripture passage to answer question 35.
“For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.”

MATTHEW 25:35–36

Jesus told this story to his disciples. The Church uses it as a foundation for
A. Catholic Social Teaching.
B. the Tradition of the Church.
C. Reconciliation.
D. Economic Justice.
36. Read the Scripture passage to answer question 36.

“But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.”

**ACTS 1:8**

A Christian witness is required to

A. tell others of the good works of Jesus.
B. be Baptised and testify by their life, words and actions.
C. pray for the needs of the world and show mercy.
D. participate in all of the Sacraments.

37. What is the name of the encyclical written by Pope Francis that contains teachings on creation?

A. **Laudato Si**
B. **Lumen Fidei**
C. **Amoris Laetitia**
D. **Evangelii Gaudium**

38. Read the following statement by Pope Francis to answer question 38.

Pope Francis wrote,

‘The world vitally needs the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Through the Church, Christ continues his work as the Good Samaritan, caring for the bleeding wounds of humanity, and as Good Shepherd, constantly seeking out those who wander along winding paths that lead nowhere.’

**POPE FRANCIS, 4 JUNE 2017**

Pope Francis is referring to each of us in continuing Jesus’

A. sacraments.
B. suffering.
C. rituals.
D. mission.
Read the Scripture passage to answer questions 39 and 40.

When the Pharisees heard that he had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. “Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?” He said to him, “‘You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.’ This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: ‘You shall love your neighbour as yourself.’ On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.”

MATTHEW 22:34–40

What is the guiding principle for Christian living that Jesus gives to the Pharisees and the Sadducees?

A Loving God is most important
B Worshipping God and praying for our neighbours
C Loving God and loving our neighbour
D Acting in accordance with the law of love

This Scripture passage refers to Jesus’ teaching known as the

A Beatitudes.
B Decalogue.
C Golden Rule.
D Greatest Commandment.

Read the following statement by Pope Francis to answer question 41.

Pope Francis said,

“Creation is not some possession that we can lord over for our own pleasure; nor, even less, is it the property of only some people, the few: creation is a gift, it is the marvellous gift that God has given us, so that we will take care of it and harness it for the benefit of all, always with great respect and gratitude.”

POPE FRANCIS, 21 MAY 2014, GENERAL AUDIENCE AT THE VATICAN

In the statement, Pope Francis asks us to use creation

A wisely.
B selfishly.
C extravagantly.
D economically.
The Council of Jerusalem decreed that
A converts to Christianity had to surrender all possessions to the Church.
B Gentile Christians did not have to observe the Mosaic Law of the Jews.
C the followers of Jesus would now be called Christians.
D Jesus was the Son of God.

Read the Scripture passage to answer question 43.

He entered Jericho and was passing through it. A man was there named Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax collector and was rich. He was trying to see who Jesus was, but on account of the crowd he could not, because he was short in stature. So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree to see him, because he was going to pass that way. When Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him, “Zacchaeus, hurry and come down; for I must stay at your house today.”

LUKE 19:1–5

Even though Zacchaeus is a sinner, Jesus chooses to stay at his house because Zacchaeus
A is a child of God.
B shows remorse.
C climbs a tree.
D has money.
Read the Scripture passage to answer questions 44 and 45.

When he entered Capernaum, a centurion came to him, appealing to him and saying, “Lord, my servant is lying at home paralysed, in terrible distress.” And he said to him, “I will come and cure him.” The centurion answered, “Lord, I am not worthy to have you come under my roof; but only speak the word, and my servant will be healed. For I also am a man under authority, with soldiers under me; and I say to one, ‘Go,’ and he goes, and to another, ‘Come,’ and he comes, and to my slave, ‘Do this,’ and the slave does it.” When Jesus heard him, he was amazed and said to those who followed him, “Truly I tell you, in no one in Israel have I found such faith.”

MATTHEW 8:5-10

This encounter with the centurion impressed Jesus because the centurion

A. had authority like Jesus.
B. sought help for his servant.
C. accepted Jesus’ authority without question.
D. had servants to work for him.

The words of the centurion are said by the laity at which point in the Mass?

A. Concluding Rite
B. Liturgy of the Eucharist
C. Liturgy of the Word
D. Introductory Rite

Which word correctly completes this statement?

‘Climate change is a global problem with serious implications: environmental, social, economic, political and for the distribution of goods it represents one of the principle ______ facing humanity in our day.’

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A. inconveniences
B. contributions
C. distributions
D. challenges
47. An outward sign, instituted by Jesus Christ, by which an interior grace is communicated to the soul, is known as
A. a Sacrament.
B. Salvation.
C. a symbol.
D. Redemption.

48. The term ‘virtue’ can best be defined as
A. a judgment about right and wrong.
B. pity and concern for the sufferings of others.
C. a firm disposition to do good.
D. trust or confidence in someone or something.

49. Read the Scripture passage to answer question 49.

Then Jesus said, “Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing.” And they cast lots to divide his clothing.

LUKE 23:34

This Scripture passage challenges us to imitate Jesus in the way we
A. outreach and act as advocates for the poor.
B. love and show mercy towards others.
C. live a life of prayer and service to others.
D. challenge the actions of others.

50. Read the statement to answer question 50.

Caritas Australia promotes that,

‘We are responsible for taking care of the world we live in and for sharing all the wonders and resources of God’s creation. We are called to respect this gift.’

CARITAS AUSTRALIA WEBSITE

An example of this statement being realised through our actions would be
A. visiting a sick relative in hospital.
B. sponsoring the education of a child through Catholic Mission.
C. inviting families to donate resources to the school.
D. making an effort to reduce the level of waste.