

Religious Studies B  
PAPER 2: Area of Study 2 – Religion,  
Peace and Conflict  
Option 2A – Catholic Christianity

Total Marks
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Time: 1 hour 45 minutes

In the boxes below, write your name, centre number and candidate number.

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**Nil**

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## **INSTRUCTIONS**

**Answer ALL questions.**

**Answer the questions in the spaces provided  
– there may be more space than you need.**

## **INFORMATION**

**The total mark for this paper is 102.**

**The marks for EACH question are shown  
in brackets – use this as a guide as to how  
much time to spend on each question.**

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**Questions labelled with an ASTERISK (\*) are ones where the quality of your written communication will be assessed – you should take particular care on these questions with your spelling, punctuation and grammar, as well as the use of specialist terminology.**

**The marks available for spelling, punctuation and grammar are clearly indicated.**

**ADVICE**

**Read each question carefully before you start to answer it.**

**Try to answer every question.**

**Check your answers if you have time at the end.**

**Answer ALL questions. Write your answers in the spaces provided.**

**Question 1: Catholic Beliefs**

- 1 (a) Outline THREE Catholic beliefs about grace.  
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**(b) Explain TWO reasons why the biblical account of Creation is significant for Catholics.  
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**(c) Explain TWO Catholic teachings about the Paschal Mystery.**

**In your answer you must refer to a source of wisdom and authority.  
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**In this question, 3 of the marks awarded will be for your spelling, punctuation and grammar and your use of specialist terminology.**

**\*(d) “Humans should not have dominion over the world.”**

**Evaluate this statement considering arguments for and against.**

**In your response you should:**

- **refer to Catholic teachings**
- **reach a justified conclusion.**

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## Question 2: Crime and Punishment

- 2 (a) Outline THREE Catholic teachings about capital punishment. (3 marks)**

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**(b) Explain TWO reasons why Catholics believe punishment can be regarded as justice.  
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**(c) Explain TWO reasons why Catholics believe good actions will be rewarded.**

**In your answer you must refer to a source of wisdom and authority.  
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**(d) “Victims need to see that justice is done.”**

**Evaluate this statement considering arguments for and against.**

**In your response you should:**

- **refer to Catholic teachings**
- **refer to non-religious points of view**
- **reach a justified conclusion.**

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## Question 3: Living the Catholic Life

- 3 (a) Outline **THREE** ways the Church takes part in evangelism.  
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**(b) Explain TWO Catholic beliefs about the effects of sacraments.  
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**(c) Explain TWO features of the Mass.**

**In your answer you must refer to a  
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**In this question, 3 of the marks awarded will be for your spelling, punctuation and grammar and your use of specialist terminology.**

**\*(d) “Funeral rites are only important for the family of the deceased.”**

**Evaluate this statement considering arguments for and against.**

**In your response you should:**

- **refer to Catholic teachings**
- **reach a justified conclusion.**

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## Question 4: Peace and Conflict

- 4 (a) Outline **THREE** Catholic teachings about pacifism.  
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**(b) Explain TWO ways Catholics  
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**(c) Explain TWO Catholic teachings about peace.**

**In your answer you must refer to a source of wisdom and authority.  
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**(d) “No conflict can be a Just War.”**

**Evaluate this statement considering arguments for and against.**

**In your response you should:**

- **refer to Catholic teachings**
- **refer to relevant ethical arguments**
- **reach a justified conclusion.**

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