

Religious Studies B

PAPER 3: Area of Study 3 – Religion,
Philosophy and Social Justice

Option 3A – Catholic Christianity

Total Marks

Time: 1 hour 45 minutes

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

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YOU MUST HAVE

Nil

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Nil

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 Jesus as the Incarnate Son. (3 marks)**

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**(b) Explain TWO Catholic teachings
about the redemptive efficacy of the
Paschal Mystery.
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(c) Explain TWO different Christian beliefs about purgatory.

**In your answer you must refer to a source of wisdom and authority.
(5 marks)**

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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) “The biblical account of Creation is true.”**

Evaluate this statement considering arguments for and against.

In your response you should:

- **refer to Catholic teachings**
- **refer to different Christian points of view**
- **reach a justified conclusion.**

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Question 2: Philosophy of Religion

- 2 (a) Outline THREE Catholic beliefs about the cosmological argument. (3 marks)**

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**(b) Explain TWO reasons miracles may lead to belief in God.
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(c) Explain TWO reasons why visions may be important for Catholics.

**In your answer you must refer to a source of wisdom and authority.
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(d) “The design argument is evidence that God exists.”

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 features of Catholic Social Teaching.
(3 marks)**

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**(b) Explain TWO types of
Catholic prayer.
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(c) Explain TWO reasons why sacraments are meaningful to Catholics.

**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) “The Rosary is an important act of worship.”**

Evaluate this statement considering arguments for and against.

In your response you should:

- refer to Catholic teachings**
- refer to different Christian points of view**
- reach a justified conclusion.**

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Question 4: Equality

- 4 (a) Outline THREE Catholic responses to the causes of inequality. (3 marks)**

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**(b) Explain TWO challenges
faced by Catholics living in a
multi-faith society.
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(c) Explain TWO Catholic teachings about wealth.

**In your answer you must refer to a source of wisdom and authority.
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(d) “All Catholics must work to achieve racial harmony.”

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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