

Why study GCSE Religious Studies?

- You learn to ask questions about the nature of reality and the place of religion within our world
- You develop skills in explanation, critical analysis, evaluation and debate
- You understand the world around you and the diverse views of a range of different people
- You develop your writing ability, learning to present your thoughts clearly and write coherent arguments, which are grounded in reason.
- You reflect on and develop your own views about a range of religious, spiritual, ethical and philosophical issues.







What careers can I pursue with a GCSE in Religious Studies?

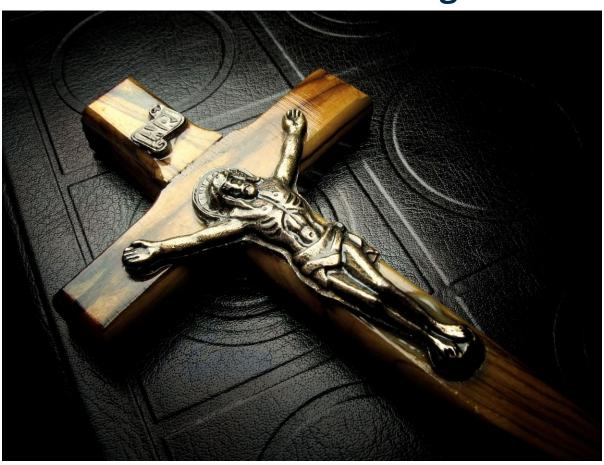
Medicine
Nursing
Social care
Lawyer
Police
Social worker
Journalist
TV presenter
Political consultant

Teacher
Historian
Charity worker
Author
Lobbyist
Museum Curator
Human Rights advocate
Diplomat
Youth Worker

Lecturer
Marketing
Publisher
Communications
Policy advisor
Global purchasing manager

...and many more...

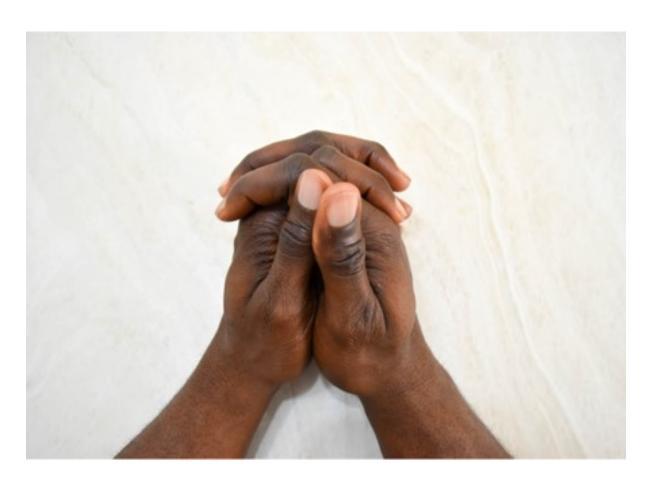
Catholic Christianity 'Beliefs and Teachings'



- How can God be one, yet also three persons?
- What does it mean to say that Jesus is the 'Son of God'?
- What is the importance of Jesus' death and resurrection within the Catholic faith?



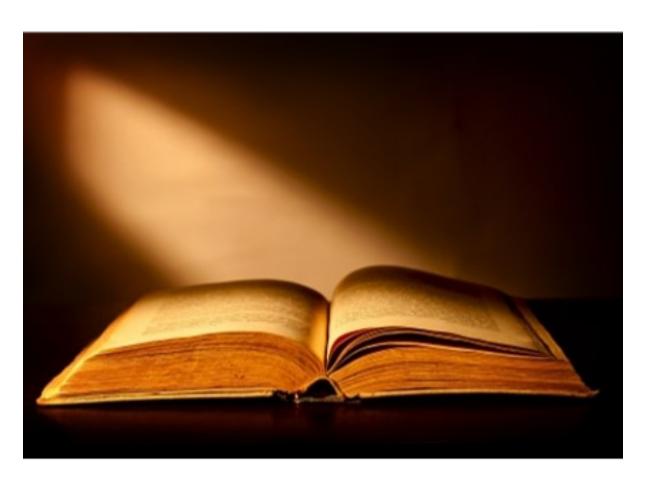
Catholic Christianity 'Practices'



- Why is Mass important for Catholics?
- What is the importance of prayer within the Catholic faith?
- How might Catholics help those living in poverty?



Catholic Christianity 'Sources of Wisdom and Authority'



- What do Catholics understand by the term 'literal word of God'?
- How can Catholics follow the example of Jesus?
- How is Mary seen as a model of the Church?



Catholic Christianity 'Forms of expression and Ways of Life'



- How is music used to express beliefs?
- How is the church building designed to facilitate Catholic worship?
- Why are symbols used in religious art?



Catholic Christianity 'Arguments for the existence of God'



- Why might visions be important to Catholics?
- How could complexity in the universe point towards God as a designer?
- Can miracles be scientifically explained?



Catholic Christianity 'Religious Teachings on Relationships and Families in the 21st Century'



- What does Catholicism teach about sexual relationships?
- How is 'divorce' and 'annulment' viewed within the Catholic faith?
- How can Catholic teachings be applied to family in today's society?



Textual Studies: Mark's Gospel Who is Jesus?



- What was the significance of Jesus' baptism?
- Is 'the transfiguration' convincing evidence of Jesus' divinity?
- Why might miracles be significant for Catholics today?



Textual Studies: Mark's Gospel The Nature of Discipleship?



- How does the example of discipleship influence Catholics today?
- Why did Jesus teach in parables?
- How are women portrayed in Mark's Gospel?

