

**Religious Studies**  
**PAPER 2: The Religious Community**  
**Option 2B – Christianity**

Total Marks
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**Thursday 16 May 2024 – Afternoon**

**Time: 1 hour 30 minutes**

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

<b>Surname</b>					
<b>Other names</b>					
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**YOU MUST HAVE**

**Nil**

**YOU WILL BE GIVEN**

**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 60.**

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

**ADVICE**

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

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

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

**Section 1: Origins and their Impact on the Community**

- 1 (a) Outline TWO teachings of Jesus about discipleship. (4 marks)**

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**(b) Explain why the resurrection of Jesus is important for Christians.  
(6 marks)**

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**(c) “The ordained ministry is an essential aspect of Christian life.”**

**Discuss this statement considering the arguments for and against.**

**In your answer you should include:**

- **reference to teachings**
  - **other (divergent) points of view – either within the religion or from other religions**
  - **your opinion/point of view using reasoned arguments**
  - **a balanced conclusion.**
- (10 marks)**

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## Section 2: Celebration and Pilgrimage

- 2 (a) Outline TWO religious practices associated with the celebration of Christmas.  
(4 marks)**

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**(b) Explain why pilgrimage to Jerusalem is important for some Christians.**

**(6 marks)**

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**(c) “All Christians should try to make a pilgrimage to Bethlehem.”**

**Discuss this statement considering the arguments for and against.**

**In your answer you should include:**

- **reference to teachings**
  - **other (divergent) points of view – either within the religion or from other religions**
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  - **a balanced conclusion.**
- (10 marks)**

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## Section 3: Worship and Practice

- 3 (a) Outline TWO external features of a Christian place of worship.  
(4 marks)

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**(b) Explain why private prayer is important for many Christians.**

**(6 marks)**

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**(c) “Marriage is an essential feature of Christian life.”**

**Discuss this statement considering the arguments for and against.**

**In your answer you should include:**

- **reference to teachings**
- **other (divergent) points of view – either within the religion or from other religions**
- **your opinion/point of view using reasoned arguments**
- **a balanced conclusion.**  
**(10 marks)**

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**TOTAL FOR PAPER = 60 MARKS**  
**END OF PAPER**