Exam topics: Summer 2022 RE exam PAPER 1 ONLY

Topic 1: Creation

Exam board info	Topics	Possible exam questions	Previous exam questions	Key quotes
The meaning and significance of Michelangelo's Creation of Adam. • How it reflects Catholic beliefs about God as creator and the creation of humanity in the image of God	1.1 1.3 1.4	 Give two ways Michelangelo's creation of Adam reflects the belief that God made everything good [2] 'Creation of Adam illustrates important Christian beliefs about the relationship between God and humanity' [12] Explain how Michelangelo's creation of Adam reflects the creation stories in Genesis 1 and 2 [5] 'Michelangelo's creation of Adam provides a good understanding of Catholic teaching about humanity' [12] 	Give two Catholic beliefs about the creation of humanity shown in Michelangelo's Creation of Adam. (2019) 'Michelangelo's The Creation of Adam perfectly expresses a Catholic understanding of humanity.' Evaluate this statement. (SAMs)	 ★ 'Very good' Genesis 1@31 ★ God breathed life into Adam Genesis 2:7 ★ 'Make in the image and likeness' of God Genesis 1:27
The meaning and significance of the belief that human beings are made in the image of God.	1.5 1.3 2.13	 Give two ways that the belief that human beings are created in the image of God influences Catholics today [2] The concept of imago dei is the most fundamental guiding principle on Catholics today [12] Explain the value of Church and Bible teachings on being made in the image of God for Catholics today 	Explain two ways in which the belief in God as creator influences the way Christians treat other people. (2018)	 ★ 'Make in the image and likeness' of God Genesis 1:27 ★ 'God saw everything that he had made and it was very good' Genesis 1:31 ★ 'In his image' Genesis ★ God blesses humans after he creates them Genesis 1:28 ★ 'Inviolable dignity' Youcat280
Natural law, including how belief in the goodness of creation leads to Catholic understanding of natural law and how belief in natural law	1.9	 Give two reasons why Catholics believe people are born with an understanding of natural law [2] Explain what is meant by natural law [5] Describe two examples of how natural law may work in modern life 	Explain two Catholic beliefs about natural law. Refer to scripture or another source of Christian belief and teaching in your answer. (2019)	 ★ 'God saw everything that he had made and it was very good' Genesis 1:31 ★ 'Do good and avoid evil' ★ 'If people are to do good and avoid evilgood and evil must be inscribed within them'

influences Catholic views about the sanctity of life.		 [4] 'Catholics should not expect every person to live according to natural law' [12] 		Youcat333
The influence of the Second Vatican Council on Catholic views of the harmony between science and religion, eg Gaudium et Spes 36.	1.9	 'It is not possible to believe in the Big Bang theory and in the Christian faith [12] Explain Catholic Church teachings on the relationship between science and religion [5] Give two teachings from the Second Vatican council on the relationship between science and religion [2] 	'The creation accounts in Genesis contradict scientific views of how the world began.' Evaluate this statement. (2018)	 ★ 'It never truly conflicts with faith' Gaudium et spes 36 ★ 'All believershear His revealing voce in the discourse of creatures' Gaudium et spes 36
The meaning of stewardship and of different ways in which Catholics might carry out their duty to be stewards at a local, national and global level.	1.10 1.11 1.12	 Give two reasons why Catholics believe it's important to care for the environment [2] 'The best way for Catholic to show love of neighbour is to care for the environment' [12] Give two ways Catholics can show stewardship of the environment [2] Explain how Catholics can carry out their duty to be stewards at different levels [5] 'For Catholics supporting global action on the environment is more important than supporting local or national efforts [12] 	Explain two ways in which Christians might carry out their duty to be stewards of creation. Refer to scripture or another source of Christian belief and teaching in your answer. (2018) 'The best way to "love your neighbour" is to care for the environment. (2019)	 ★ 'God created the heavens and the earth' ★ He told Adam and eve to 'take care of it' ★ 'Love your neighbour as yourself' mark 12:31 ★ 'redress the damage caused by human abuse of God's creation' Laudato si ★ 'entrusted by God to human care' Laudato si ★ 'Creatures exist only in dependence of each other' Laudato si

Topic 2: Incarnation

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The religious significance and relevance of the following Christian symbols: Ichthus (fish), Alpha and Omega, Chi-Rho.	2.5	 Give the names of 3 symbols you have studied [2] 'Religious beliefs are best expressed using words. There is no need for symbols' [12] Explain why Christians use symbols as an expression of faith [5] 'Christian symbols have no value for 21st century Christians' [12] 	Name two Christian symbols. (2018)	★ I am the alpha and the omega' Revelation 1:8
The meaning and scriptural origins of the belief in Jesus as the incarnate Son (Luke 1:26– 38 and Matthew 1:18–24) and divine Word (John 1:1–4 and 1:14).	2.1 2.2 2.3 2.4	 Give two reasons why the incarnation is important for Catholics [2] 'For Christians Luke 1:26-38 and Matthew 1:18-24 prove that Jesus was God' [12] Give two Christian beliefs about the Word of God given in John's Gospel [2] 'John 1:1-4 and 1:14 teach that God and the word of God are exactly the same' [12] 'Incarnation is God's great act of love for the human race' [12] Explain why the virgin birth is important for Catholics [5] 'Matthew's account of the virgin birth is easier to understand than Luke's story of the annunciation' [12] 'The teaching that God's word became flesh shows that humans are very important to God' [12] 	Explain two Christian beliefs about the incarnation. Refer to scripture or another source of Christian belief and teaching in your answer. (SAMs)	 ★ 'He will be called son of the most high' Luke ★ 'Let it be me according to your word' Luke ★ 'for he will save his people from their sins' Matthew ★ 'They shall call him Emmanuel' Matthew ★ 'The word was God' John 1 ★ 'The word became flesh and lived among us' John 1
Jesus as both fully human and fully God, including the	2.4	 Give two different meanings to the phrase 'son of Man'/ 'Son of God [5] 'Jesus could not possibly have been 	'The best title for Jesus is 'Son of Man.' Evaluate this statement. (SAMs)	★ 'The son of man must undergo a great suffering' Mark

meaning and significance of • Jesus as 'Son of Man' (Mark 8:31) • Jesus as 'Son of God' (Mark 14:61–62		fully human and fully God at the same time' [12] Explain why Jesus used the title 'son of man' when talking about himself [5] 'Jesus could not have been anything other than a human being' [12]		 ★ 'Are you the Messiah, the son of the Blessed one? Jesus said, 'I am' Mark ★ 'You will see the son of Man seated at the right hand of power' Mark 14
Jesus as the fulfilment of the law, a model of virtues and authoritative source for moral teaching as exemplified in the Beatitudes (Matthew 5:1–12) and in his teaching on how Christians should respond to those in need (Matthew 25:31–46).	2.8	 Explain how Jesus fulfilled the law and then developed it further [5] 'Jesus taught that having a loving attitude is more important than anything else' [12] 'It is impossible for Jesus's followers to live by the beatitudes today' [12] Give two moral teachings of Jesus from the Sermon on the mount [2] 	Explain two ways in which Jesus' Parable of the Sheep and the Goats influences the way in which Christians respond to people in need. (2018)	 ★ 'Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth' Matthew ★ 'Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God' Matthew ★ 'Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy' Matthew ★ Whatever you did for the least of your brothers and sisters you did for me Parable of the sheep and goats.
The similarities and differences in the understanding of the incarnation as presented in Dei Verbum 4 and Verbum Domini 12	2.10	 'It is too difficult to present Jesus as both fully human and fully God' [12] Give two heresies associated with understanding the incarnation [2] Explain Church teachings from Dei Verbum that explain the incarnation [5] Explain Church teachings from Verbum Domini that helps Catholics understand the incarnation [5] 		 ★ 'The word made flesh, was sent as 'man to men' Dei Verbum ★ 'God is with us to set us free from the darkness of sin and death, and to raise us up to eternal life' Dei Verbum ★ 'The son himself is the word, the Logos' Verbum Domini ★ 'the eternal word become small - small enough to fit into a manger' Verbum Domini ★ 'The new Adam, the true man' Verbum Domini

The names of the seven sacraments and Catholic beliefs about their effects on the sanctification of life.	'Grace' [2]	seven sacraments and Catholic beliefs about their effects on the sanctification of		 ★ 'Grace is a favour, the free and underserved help that God gives us' CCC 1996 ★ 'God's love wants our free assent' Youcat 340
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Topic 3: The Triune God, mission and prayer

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The use of different styles of music in worship including psalms, plainchant, traditional hymns, contemporary worship songs and their influence Mass settings used in liturgy, their significance and influence.	3.1	 Give two reasons why the Catholic Church approves of the use of music in worship [2] Describe two different types of music used in Catholic forms of worship [4] 'There is no need for church services to include music' [12] 'Churches should modernise their music and use only contemporary worship songs' [12] 'It is good to join in with the singing in church' [12] Explain the role of psalms in church worship [5] 'Plainchant should not be used today in Catholic mass' [12] 	Give two reasons for the use of contemporary songs in worship. (SAMs) Explain two ways in which music expresses beliefs about God. (SAMs) Give two parts of the Mass that are often set to Music (2019) Give two reasons for the use of contemporary songs in worship. (SAMs)	 ★ Sacred music becomes more holy when connected to the liturgical action Sacrosanctum Concilium ★ Music 'adds delight to prayer, fosters unity of minds, or confers greater solemnity upon sacred rites' Sacrosanctum Concilium
One God as a Trinity of persons: Father, Son and Holy Spirit as expressed in the Nicene Creed; the scriptural origins of this belief: Deuteronomy 6:4, Matthew 3:16–17, Galatians 4:6	3.4 3.5	 Give two beliefs about the Trinity that are supported by passages in the Bible [2] 'Jesus' baptism is the most important passage in the Bible for understanding the Trinity' [12] 'The religious life of the believer depends totally on belief in the triune God' [12] Explain what the Nicene creed teaches about the persons of the Trinity [5] 'The Nicene creed, not the Bible helps people to understand the Trinity' [12] 	'The Bible tells Christians all the need to know about the Trinity.' (SAMs) Explain two beliefs about the Trinity found in the Nicene Creed. Refer to scripture or another source of Christian belief and teaching in your answer. (2019)	 ★ 'The Lord is our God and the Lord alone' Deuteronomy 6:4 ★ 'The spirit of God descending like a Dove' Matthew ★ 'A voice from heaven said, 'this is my son' Matthew ★ 'God has sent the spirit of his son into our hearts, crying 'Abba! Father!' Galatians ★ 'I believe in one God, the Father almighty' Nicene creed ★ 'Only begotten son of God' Nicene creed ★ 'The holy spirit, the Lord the giver of life' Nicene creed.
Christian understanding of God as a Trinity of	3.7	 Explain why it is important that all Catholic beliefs are in accordance with the Bible [5] 	'The Bible tells Christians all the need to know about the Trinity.' (SAMs)	★ 'Just as he was coming out of the water he saw the heavens torn apart and the spirit

persons with reference to Mark 1:9–11 and Galatians 4:6–7.		 'Christians can feel encouraged by calling God 'Father'' [12] Describe how Mark 1:9-11 shoes that God is a Trinity of 3 persons [4] 'Christians need to follow Jesus' example and call God 'Father'' [12] Explain what St Paul's letter to the Galatians shows Christians about God as a Trinity of 3 persons [5] 		descending like a dove upon up. Mark ★ 'A voice from heaven 'you are my son, the beloved, with you I am well pleased' Mark ★ 'God has sent the spirit of his son into our hearts, crying 'Abba! Father!' Galatians ★ 'You are no longer a slave but a childthen also an heir through God' Galatians
The meaning and significance of conciliar magisterial authority, including its influence on Catholic doctrine of the Trinity, with reference to the Councils of Nicaea (AD 325) and Constantinople (AD 381).	3.9	 Explain the importance of the magisterium for beliefs about the Trinity [4] 'The teaching of the early councils should not affect Christens in the 21st century' [12] Give two teachings about the Trinity that were confirmed by the Council of Nicaea 'Without the Magisterium, Catholics wouldn't know what to believe' [12] Explain why the magisterium is important to Catholics today [4] 	Give two reasons why the magisterium has authority for Catholics. (SAMs) Explain two ways in which belief in the Trinity influences Catholic understanding of the relevance of God to their lives. (SAMs)	 ★and they passed this spiritual gift to their helpers by the imposition of hands' Lumen Gentium 21
The significance of prayer as a 'raising of the heart and mind to God', including contrasting features of traditional and spontaneous prayers.	3.11	 Give two reasons why prayer is important to Catholics [2] 'Using spontaneous prayer is the best way to communicate with God' [12] Explain the strengths and weakness of spontaneous/ traditional prayers [5] 'The only prayer that is of any importance is the prayer that Jesus offered' [12] Give two traditional prayers used in the Catholic Church [2] 	'Christians should use only traditional prayers, not spontaneous prayers.' (SAMs)	 ★ 'Prayer is turning the heart towards God' Youcat 469 ★ Prayer = 'Living relationship with God' Youcat 469 ★the spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words' Romans 8:26

Topic 4: Redemption

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How the architecture, design and decoration of Catholic churches reflect Catholic beliefs and facilitate worship.	4.1	 Give two common features of a Catholic church built before 1965 [2] Give two common features of a Catholic church built after 1965 [2] 'The most important purpose of a Catholic church is to provide a space for the celebration of mass' [12] 'Catholics only need an empty room to pray to God' [12] 	Explain two ways in which the design and decoration of Catholic churches influence ways in which Catholics worship. (SAMs)	★ 'In God's house we gather together to pray in common or alone' Youcat 190
How the lectern, altar, crucifix and tabernacle express different aspects of the mystery of redemption and facilitate worship.	4.2	 Explain how the tabernacle is used to help people who can't get to mass [4] 'The main features of church remind Christians of the importance of Jesus' [12] Name two features of a Catholic church which express aspects of the mystery of redemption Describe two features of a Catholic church which facilitate worship [4] 	Explain two ways in which the altar helps believers to worship. Refer to scripture or another source of Christian belief and teaching in your answer. (SAMs) Give two reasons why the altar is important in Catholic churches. (2019)	 ★ Jesus is the word of God made flesh John 1 - Christ is truly present when the word is proclaimed ★ 'Do this in memory of me' ★ 'Which will be given up for you'
How far the story of redemption has influenced Catholic understanding of the liturgy	4.6 4.10	 Explain how redemption is part of the mass [5] 'Salvation was complete with the death of Jesus' [12] Explain the importance of the structure of the mass as a celebration of redemption [5] 'Receiving communion is the most important part of the mass' [12] Describe how salvation is expressed in the liturgy [4] 		 ★ 'As we wait in the joyful hope of the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ' ★ 'Christ is mysteriously but really present in the sacrament of the eucharist' Youcat 216
Identification and understanding of	4.7	 Describe how Jesus is the example/ the restorer/ the victor [4] 	'The story of Jesus' ascension is not important for Christians today.'	★ 'My God My God, why have you forsaken me?'

redemption themes in Mark 15:21–39 and John 20:1– 18, Acts 1:6–11 and 2:1–4.	4.8	 Explain how the Bible describes redemption as an ongoing process as expressed in passages about the resurrection, ascension and coming of the holy spirit [5] 'The Bible shows how redemption is an ongoing process' [12] Explain how Saint Paul explains the importance of death and resurrection of Jesus in 1 Corinthians 15. 'Jesus as the victor is the best way for us to understand redemption today' [12] (NOT IRENAEUS' /ANSELM) 	(SAMs) Give two ways in which, according to Christian belief, Jesus restored creation. (SAMs) Explain two reasons why the resurrection of Jesus is important to Christians. Refer to scripture or another source of Christian belief and teaching in your answer. (2019)	Mark ★ 'Then Jesus gave out a loud cry and breathed his last' Mark ★ 'I am ascending unto my father and to your father, to my God and to your God' John ★ Jesus who has been taken into heaven 'will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven' Acts ★ 'There came a sound like the rush of violent wind' Acts ★ 'Divided tongues, as of fire, rested on each of them' Acts
The significance and meaning of the conscience as the Voice of God and as a guide for the redeemed with reference to Gaudium et Spes 16 and the Catechism of the Catholic Church. Different understandings of the conscience and its value as a guide.	4.9	 Describe what the Catholic Church teaches about conscience [4] Explain why conscience is important for Catholics [5] 'A Catholic should follow their conscience no matter what the Church teaches' [12] Explain how natural law affects conscience [5] 'In order to be faithful to God, a Catholic should always follow their conscience' [12] Give two ways conscience guides a believer today [2] 	Explain two Christian beliefs about the role of conscience as a guide to life. Refer to scripture or another source of Christian belief and teaching in your answer. (SAMs)	 ★ 'Conscience is the inner voice in man' Youcat 295 ★ 'Conscience is the most secret view and sanctuary of man' Gaudium et spes 16 ★ 'He is alone with God whose voice echoes in his depths' Gaudium et spes 16 ★ 'Conscience reveals that law' Gaudium et spes 16 ★ 'Personal conscience should not be set in opposition to the moral law of the Magisterium' CCC 2039
The Mass as the 'source and summit'	4.11	 Explain two contrasting understandings of the Eucharist [4] 	'Catholics do not need to go to Mass every week.'. (SAM's)	★ 'Do this in memory of me'★ 'Which will be given up for

of Christian life
including the
meaning and
significance of the
Eucharist for
Catholics and other
Christian
denominations.

- 'The Eucharist is important to all Christians because it is the 'source and summit' of Christian life' [12]
- Explain why some Christians do not celebrate the Eucharist [4]
- Explain how the Eucharist is the 'source and summit' of Christian life for Catholics [5]
- 'A difference in belief about the Eucharist for Christians is not important' [12]

'For a Catholic, Eucharistic adoration (prayer in front of the Real Presence of Christ) is just as important as going to Mass. Evaluate this statement (2019)

you'

- ★ 'source and summit' CCC
- ★ 'These gifts for us may become the body and blood of Christ
- ★ 'This is my body'

PLEASE BE AWARE THAT PAPER 2

- 1. Judaism beliefs (Unit 9)
- 2. Judaism Practices (Unit 10)
- 3. Human Rights (Unit 11)
- 4. Marriage and the family (Unit 13)

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