



Year 8



Religious Education Test 2012



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Practice questions

1

The word 'Emmanuel' means

- A. journey in hope.
- B. Mother of God.
- C. God with us.
- D. Jesus.

2

What did Jesus do at the Wedding Feast at Cana?

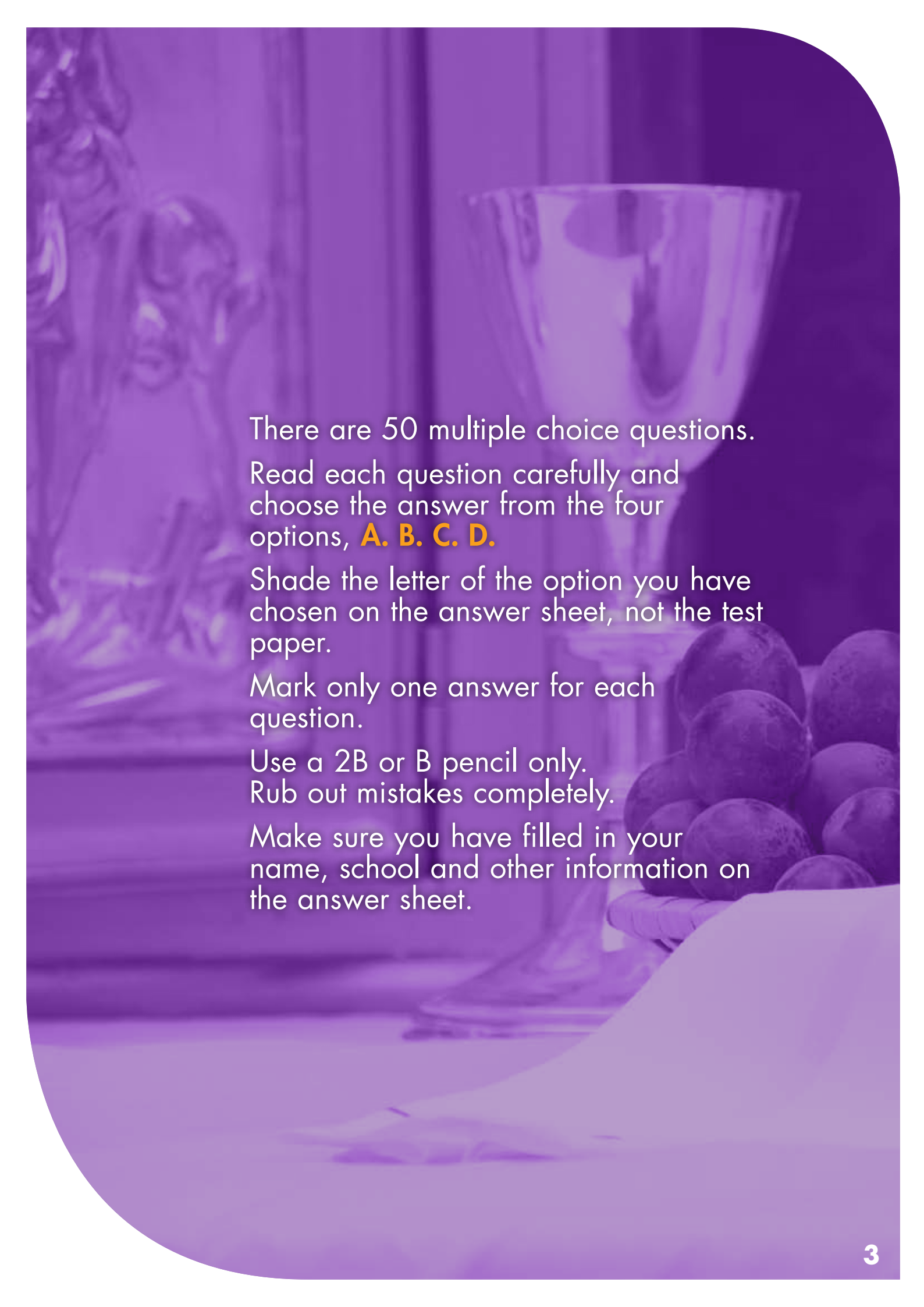
- A. He raised Lazarus from the dead.
- B. He changed the wine into water.
- C. He changed the water into wine.
- D. He healed the crippled man.

3

Which box has the correct words needed to complete the 'Sign of the Cross' prayer below?

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| A. 1 Lord
2 Saviour
3 Holy Spirit | B. 1 Father
2 Son
3 Holy Spirit |
| C. 1 Father
2 Son
3 Holy Word | D. 1 Creator
2 Redeemer
3 Holy Lord |

In the name of the 1
and of the 2
and of the 3
Amen



There are 50 multiple choice questions.
Read each question carefully and
choose the answer from the four
options, **A. B. C. D.**

Shade the letter of the option you have
chosen on the answer sheet, not the test
paper.

Mark only one answer for each
question.

Use a 2B or B pencil only.
Rub out mistakes completely.

Make sure you have filled in your
name, school and other information on
the answer sheet.

1

Australia's first and only canonised saint is

- A. Edmund Rice.
- B. Marcellin Champagnat.
- C. Mary Help of Christians.
- D. Mary of the Cross MacKillop.

2

1

Mary full of grace, the Lord is with you.

2

are you among women and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus.

3

Mary mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

Which of the following options contains the correct words to complete the prayer above?

A.

- 1. Holy
- 2. Blessed
- 3. Hail

B.

- 1. Hail
- 2. Blessed
- 3. Holy

C.

- 1. Blessed
- 2. Holy
- 3. Hail

D.

- 1. Hail
- 2. Holy
- 3. Blessed



3



The first five books of the Old Testament are referred to as the

- A. Historical books.
- B. Wisdom books.
- C. Pentateuch.
- D. Letters.

4

A covenant is a

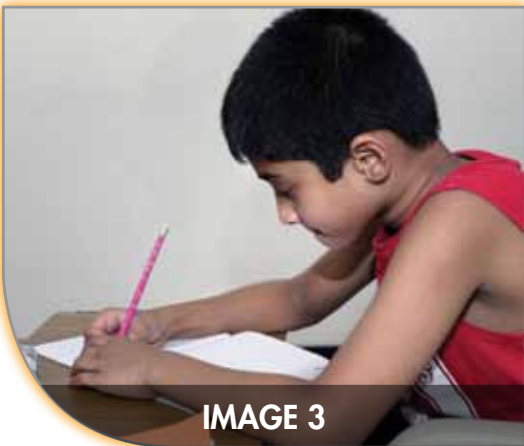
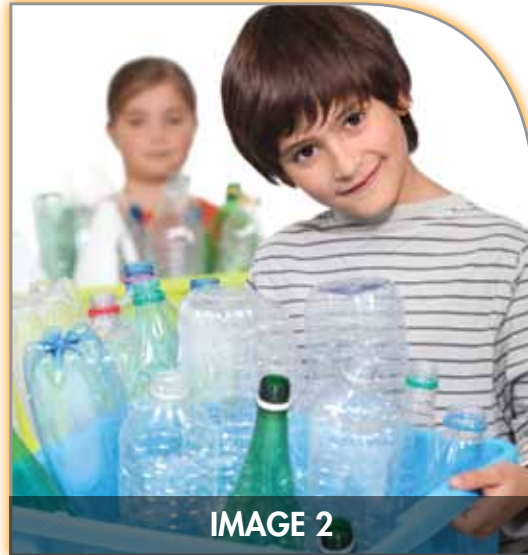
- A. solemn promise.
- B. religious poem.
- C. liturgical dance.
- D. sacred prayer.

5

Jesus' cultural and religious background was

- A. Roman.
- B. Jewish.
- C. Egyptian.
- D. Samaritan.

6



Select the image which best shows a student demonstrating environmental stewardship.

- A. Image 1.
- B. Image 2.
- C. Image 3.
- D. Image 4.

7

During the Mass, the General Intercessions are spoken by the people. The General Intercessions are an example of

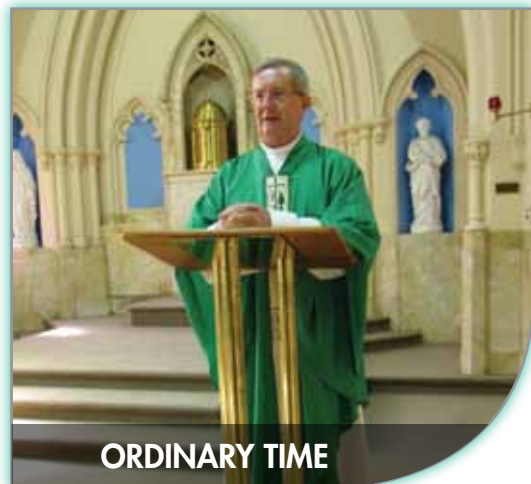
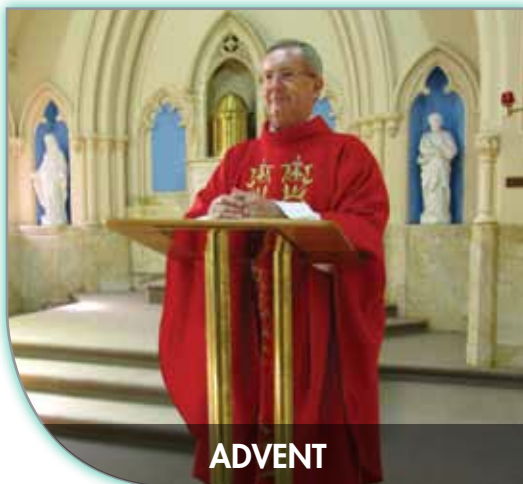
- A. personal prayer.
- B. informal prayer.
- C. liturgical prayer.
- D. meditative prayer.

8

Which of the following are the Sacraments of Initiation?

- A. Baptism, Eucharist and Marriage
- B. Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist
- C. Baptism, Reconciliation and Marriage
- D. Baptism, Confirmation and Reconciliation

9



The images above show the colours of the vestments that the priest wears during the different seasons of the Liturgical Year. The image that is correctly matched to the liturgical season is

- A. Easter.
- B. Pentecost.
- C. Advent.
- D. Ordinary Time.

10

The cross is a powerful symbol used by all Christians as it shows

- A.** that new life comes through death.
- B.** that Christ is the light of the world.
- C.** the coming of the Holy Spirit.
- D.** the Catholic Church.



11

The four books of the Gospels are found in the

- A.** Acts of the Apostles.
- B.** Hebrew Scriptures.
- C.** New Testament.
- D.** Old Testament.

12



God asked Abraham to sacrifice his son Isaac because

- A.** God wanted to test Abraham's faith.
- B.** God wanted to punish Abraham for sinning.
- C.** there was no ram available to be sacrificed.
- D.** Isaac had murdered a man.

13

Christians can best demonstrate Jesus' teachings by

- A.** showing compassion in both their attitudes and actions.
 - B.** placing individual needs before the needs of others.
 - C.** working hard to get a good education.
 - D.** choosing their friends carefully.
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14

The body of water in which Jesus was baptised was the

- A.** Sea of Galilee.
- B.** Jordan River.
- C.** Dead Sea.
- D.** Red Sea.

**15**

During the time of Jesus' ministry the Governor of Judea was

- A.** Herod the Great.
- B.** Pontius Pilate.
- C.** Caiaphas.
- D.** Caesar.

16

The basis of a just society is

- A.** having enough money.
 - B.** getting what we deserve.
 - C.** being part of a community.
 - D.** respect for the the human person.
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17

A deacon has a special ministry in the Catholic Church where he is able to

- A.** lead the Christian community as the Bishop of Rome.
 - B.** administer all of the Sacraments, including Holy Orders.
 - C.** preach the Gospel, lead the faithful and celebrate Mass.
 - D.** proclaim the Gospel, assist at Mass, baptise, and preside at funerals.
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18

Your class is preparing for a class Mass. The ministries that your classmates will be able to participate in would be

- A.** reading the Gospel and a General Intercession.
- B.** reading a General Intercession and being an altar server.
- C.** bringing the gifts to the altar and being an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion.
- D.** carrying the Book of the Gospels in the entrance procession and being an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion.



19

Which of the following is the religious leader of a diocese in the Catholic Church?

- A. priest
 - B. bishop
 - C. deacon
 - D. acolyte
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20

Both Eastern and Western Catholic Churches share the same

- A. sacraments.
 - B. customs.
 - C. liturgy.
 - D. laws.
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21

A prominent feature in some Eastern Catholic Churches is the presence of

- A. sculpture.
 - B. statues.
 - C. collage.
 - D. icons.
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22

*"Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same spirit;
and there are varieties of service, but the same Lord,
and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same
God that activates them in everyone."*

CORINTHIANS 12:4-6

Choose the statement that best explains the Scripture passage above.

- A. The Church must be constantly active.
- B. There are many talented people in the Church.
- C. The Church offers many important activities that people can be involved in.
- D. The Church is made up of many people, all with important roles to play.

23

The primary role of a priest is to

- A.** celebrate the sacraments and preach the Gospel.
- B.** conduct sacramental instruction programs.
- C.** organise and promote youth groups.
- D.** visit the elderly in nursing homes.



24

I believe in one God,
the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.

This statement is made at the beginning of the Nicene Creed and expresses the belief that

- A.** God is the creator of everything.
- B.** God cares only for human beings.
- C.** human beings contribute to God's creation.
- D.** human beings are made in God's image and likeness.

25



In the Catholic Church there are special days set aside to remember the lives of saints. For example, on 13 June we remember St Anthony of Padua. These days are commonly referred to as

- A.** feast days.
- B.** patron days.
- C.** blessing days.
- D.** devotion days.

26

There are a number of steps that a Christian person should follow when making a moral decision.

Step 6 in the decision-making process would be to

- A.** go to Mass.
- B.** talk to your parish priest.
- C.** choose the best course of action.
- D.** receive the Sacrament of Penance.

- 1.** Recognise the facts of the situation.
- 2.** Consider the consequences of the decision.
- 3.** Look for advice from priest, family, friends, Church teachings.
- 4.** Examine your conscience.
- 5.** Pray for God's help in making a decision.

27

WHO AM I?

I advocated violent rebellion against Rome and thought that Jewish independence could only be achieved through military action.

I am a

- A.** Sadducee.
- B.** Pharisee.
- C.** Zealot.
- D.** Scribe.

**READ THE FOLLOWING PASSAGE FROM JOHN'S GOSPEL
AND ANSWER QUESTIONS 28 AND 29.**

"Now before the festival of the Passover, Jesus knew that his hour had come to depart from this world and go to the Father. Having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end. The devil had already put it into the heart of Judas, son of Simon Iscariot, to betray him. And during supper, Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going to God, got up from the table, took off his outer robe, and tied a towel around himself. Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and to wipe them with the towel that was tied around him."

JOHN 13:1-5

28

The Scripture passage refers to the events of

- A.** Pentecost.
- B.** Good Friday.
- C.** Palm Sunday.
- D.** Holy Thursday.

29

Jesus' action of washing the feet of his disciples best demonstrates the Christian belief of

- A. service.
- B. patience.
- C. hospitality.
- D. cleanliness.

**30**

The event that marked the birth of the Christian Church was the

- A. baptism of Jesus.
- B. conversion of St Paul.
- C. ascension of Jesus into heaven.
- D. coming of the Holy Spirit to the Apostles.

31

A martyr can be defined as a person who

- A. converted to Christianity.
- B. worked for the early Church.
- C. was put to death for their faith.
- D. fought their enemies for the faith.

32

The Catholic Church teaches its followers about the dignity of the human person. This means that people should be respected

- A.** if they help others.
 - B.** if they believe in God.
 - C.** because they are made in God's image.
 - D.** as long as they follow Church teachings.
-

33

Living a Christian life is often described as being counter-cultural. Being counter-cultural means that

- A.** being selfish is not an issue.
 - B.** Christians make decisions without risking being unpopular.
 - C.** society accepts individuals pursuing material gain at any cost.
 - D.** Christians may be in opposition to what society thinks is acceptable.
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34

Which of the following quotations from Scripture would be appropriate to use in a liturgy which is designed to acknowledge God as creator?

- A.** *"Lord, you alone are my portion and my cup; you make my lot secure."* (Psalm 16:5)
 - B.** *"The Lord is my rock, my fortress and my deliverer; my God is my rock, in whom I take refuge."* (Psalm 18:2)
 - C.** *"How many are your works, Lord! In wisdom you made them all; the earth is full of your creatures."* (Psalm 104:24)
 - D.** *"In you, Lord my God, I put my trust. I trust in you; do not let me be put to shame, nor let my enemies triumph over me."* (Psalm 25:2)
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35

What language did the ordinary people of Jesus' time speak?

- A.** Aramaic
- B.** Persian
- C.** Jewish
- D.** Greek

36

St Paul wrote to many Christian communities, including the people of

- A. Athens.
- B. Corinth.
- C. Damascus.
- D. Alexandria.

37

Which image shows a ritual to welcome a new member into the Christian community?



- A. Image 1.
- B. Image 2.
- C. Image 3.
- D. Image 4.

**READ THE FOLLOWING PRAYER AND USE THIS TO
ANSWER QUESTIONS 38 AND 39.**



**All-powerful God,
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
by water and the Holy Spirit
you freed your sons and daughters from sin
and gave them new life.
Send your Holy Spirit upon them
to be their Helper and Guide.
Give them the spirit of wisdom and understanding,
the spirit of right judgement and courage,
the spirit of knowledge and reverence.
Fill them with the spirit of wonder and awe in your presence.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

38

This prayer would be spoken by the celebrant during the Rite of

- A.** Reconciliation.
- B.** Confirmation.
- C.** Holy Orders.
- D.** Baptism.

39

This prayer refers to the spirit of wisdom, understanding, right judgement, courage, knowledge, reverence and wonder and awe in God's presence. These are also known as the seven

- A.** Gifts of the Holy Spirit.
- B.** Fruits of the Holy Spirit.
- C.** Spiritual Works of Mercy.
- D.** Corporal Works of Mercy.

40

The various Eastern Churches of the Catholic Church evolved from the four great centres of ancient Christianity. These cities were

- A. Corinth, Athens, Babylon and Jerusalem.
- B. Antioch, Alexandria, Babylon and Nazareth.
- C. Corinth, Constantinople, Alexandria and Nazareth.
- D. Antioch, Alexandria, Constantinople and Jerusalem.

41



Pope John Paul II spoke about the Church needing to

"breathe with her two lungs."

He was referring to the

- A. Eastern Catholic Church and the Orthodox Church.
- B. Eastern and Western Catholic Churches.
- C. Melkite and Orthodox Churches.
- D. Maronite and Coptic Churches.

42

An example of a Corporal Work of Mercy would be

- A. visiting a sick relative.
- B. helping with the housework.
- C. welcoming a new student to your class.
- D. giving up watching TV to complete homework.

43

In the following passage from Scripture, Jesus heals a crippled woman.

"Now he was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, 'Woman, you are set free from your ailment.' When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God."

LUKE 13:10-13

In this passage, Jesus shows us that as Christians we should

- A.** anoint those who are unwell.
 - B.** ensure our actions bring us happiness.
 - C.** show kindness only to those who have been kind to us.
 - D.** actively respond to the needs of others when they are in need.
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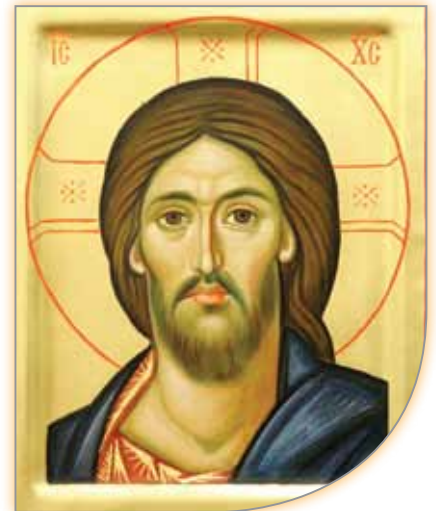
When Jesus said

"You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind."

MATTHEW 22:37

he was telling the apostles about the

- A.** Greatest Commandment.
- B.** Ten Commandments.
- C.** Apostles' Creed.
- D.** Beatitudes.



45

The eighth commandment states that

"You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour."

For Christians this commandment requires that people

- A.** respect and live by the truth.
- B.** focus on developing their spiritual life.
- C.** show tolerance towards those in need.
- D.** forgive others when there is a disagreement.

46

"Let each generation tell its children of Your mighty acts; let them proclaim Your power. I will meditate on Your majestic, glorious splendour and Your wonderful miracles."

PSALM 145: 4-5

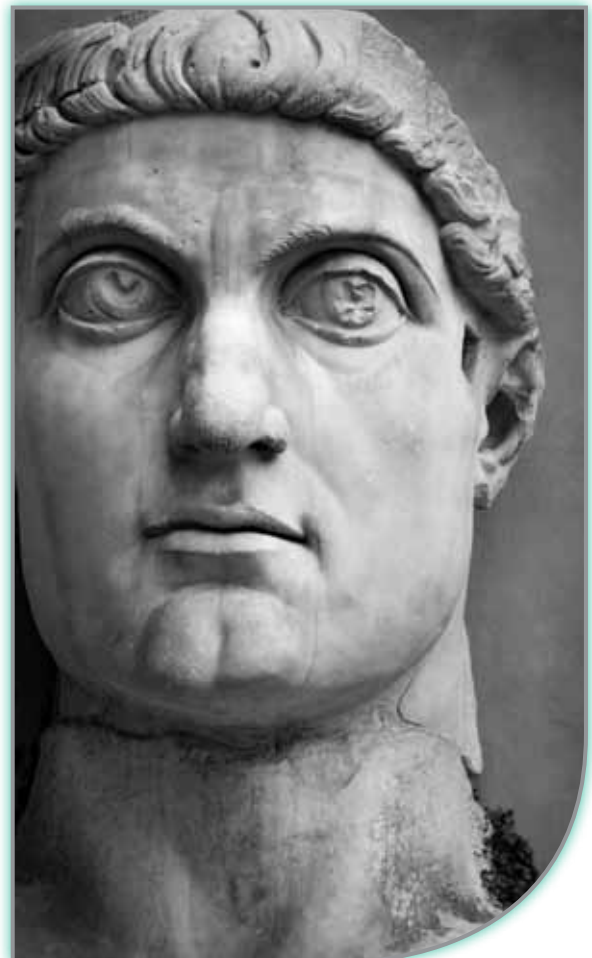
This is an example of Scripture that expresses

- A.** trust and security in God.
 - B.** God's power and justice.
 - C.** praise for God's creation.
 - D.** God's mercy and compassion.
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47

Constantine was an important figure in the early Church. As a result of his conversion

- A.** the Gentiles were included in worship.
- B.** everyone in the Empire became Christian.
- C.** Christians were able to practise their faith publicly.
- D.** Christians gained important positions in government.



48

Read the following passage to answer the question below.

The time had come for the Year 8 class to elect their class leader. Those students who were nominated for the position were asked to explain why they should be chosen.

Each student gave a speech in which they outlined the beliefs and values of the school and how they would help their class to live them out.

My Religious Education teacher gave us some advice when it was time to choose our class leader:

"Stories in Genesis teach us how to live in relationship with God and God's people. The qualities of our class leader should reflect this."

What aspect of the stories in the book of Genesis would help the students make the best decision about their class leader?

- A.** promises and loyalty
 - B.** rewards and promises
 - C.** negotiations and power
 - D.** friendships and presents
-

49

The Mission Statement of the Australian Catholic Migrant and Refugee Office (ACMRO) states that they dedicate their efforts towards the acceptance and settlement of refugees and migrants into Australia. They do this especially by their efforts to influence government policies in this area. They also seek to form Catholic Church policy in Australia for the pastoral care of refugees and migrants.

This statement of mission by ACMRO demonstrates the Christian ideal of the love of

- A.** self.
- B.** work.
- C.** socialising.
- D.** neighbour.

Read the following statement:

*"Its voice, ever calling them to love and to do what is good and to avoid evil,
tells them inwardly at the right moment to do this, shun that.
For they have in their hearts a law inscribed by God."*

GAUDIUM ET SPES 16

This quote from a Second Vatican Council document is referring to a type of knowledge that we all possess which is known as our

- A.** values.
- B.** freedom.
- C.** conscience.
- D.** responsibilities.



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