

CLASS





Practice Questions

What is the correct order in which the four books of the Gospels appear in the Bible?

- Α Matthew, Mark, Luke, John
- В Luke, John, Matthew, Mark
- С John, Luke, Matthew, Mark
- D Mark, Matthew, Luke, John

Justice can be defined as a concern for

- Α peace and genuine respect.
- В prosperity and achievement.
- С discipline and punishment.
- D health and happiness.

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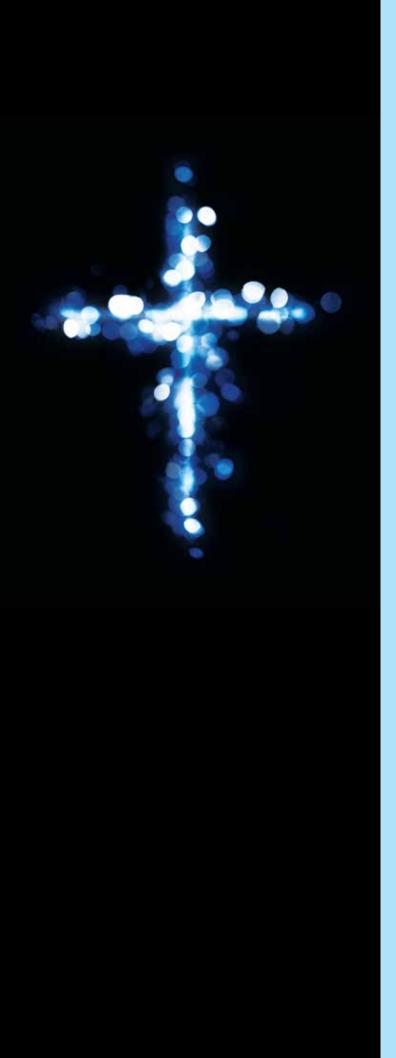
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In the name of the	•	1
and of the	2	
and of the	3	
Amen		

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

A	1 Lord 2 Saviour 3 Holy Spirit	В	1 Father 2 Son 3 Holy Spirit
С	1 Father 2 Son 3 Holy Word	D	1 Creator 2 Redeemer 3 Holy Lord



Test Instructions

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.



Injustice occurs in the world when

- A. individuals stand up for other people's rights.
- **B.** people focus on doing what is right.
- **C.** we punish those who do wrong.
- **D.** good people do nothing.

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In the Old Testament God made a covenant with the Israelites. Through this covenant, they came to understand how to

- A. journey through the wilderness.
- **B.** live in right relationship with God.
- **C.** enter the Promised Land as God's people.
- **D.** be a unified nation with David as their King.

Which statement best describes the Nicene Creed?

- A. A blessing for individuals
- B. A statement of the Church's faith
- **C.** A summary of the Church's early history
- D. A description of the Church's practices and rituals

The sacrament that is common among most Christian churches is

- A. Baptism.
- B. Eucharist.
- **C.** Ordination.
- **D.** Confirmation.



Most scholars would agree that the Synoptic Gospels were written between the years

- **A.** 1 30 AD.
- **B.** 50 90 AD.
- **C.** 90 100 AD.
- **D.** 100 150 AD.



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The ancient prayer in the Christian tradition that recalls the events of the Annunciation is the

- A. Canticle.
- B. Angelus.
- C. Memorare.
- D. Magnificat.

Christians believe that Jesus' birth fulfilled the promise that a Messiah would redeem God's people. The term 'Messiah' means

- A. anointed.
- **B.** blessed.
- **C.** gifted.
- **D.** holy.

Jesus celebrated the Last Supper with his disciples and commanded them to continue this ritual when he said,

- A. "Take this and divide it among yourselves."
- **B.** "This is my body, which is given for you."
- C. "This cup that is poured out for you."
- **D.** "Do this in memory of me."



During the late 19th and early 20th centuries Australia's Catholic bishops invited religious orders of brothers and sisters to take up a significant role in establishing and running Catholic

- A. media.
- B. churches.
- C. schools.
- D. parishes.

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READ THE STATEMENT TO ANSWER QUESTION 10.

The religion of ancient Egypt centred on the Egyptian people's interaction with many gods who were believed to be present in and in control of the natural environment.

The practice of interacting with many gods is known as

- A. monotheism.
- **B.** polytheism.
- **C.** atheism.
- **D.** deism.



The early Christians gathered together on a Sunday to celebrate the Eucharist because they associated this day with the

- A. Resurrection of Jesus.
- **B.** day of the Exodus.
- **C.** Jewish Sabbath.
- D. Passover.

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READ THE STATEMENT TO ANSWER QUESTION 12.

"Because of religious persecution, war and civil disorders, the twentieth century has witnessed an unprecedented emigration of Eastern Catholics from the land of their origins." AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC BISHOPS' CONFERENCE, 1997

This statement accounts for the

- A. increasing presence of Eastern Catholic in Australia today.
- **B.** declining presence of Eastern Catholics in Australia today.
- **C.** increasing number of Roman Catholics in Australia today.
- **D.** declining number of Roman Catholics in Australia today.

READ THE STORY TO ANSWER QUESTION 13.

Corrie ten Boom was a Dutch Christian woman who helped many Jews escape from the Holocaust during World War II. She was imprisoned for her actions but after she was released at the end of the war, she set up refugee houses for those who had survived the concentration camps. She wrote many books and travelled the world as a public speaker. A man came to shake her hand after one of her talks and she recognised him as a former prison guard, one of the cruelest she had encountered. Only by asking God to love through her did she find the grace to take this man's hand.

The actions of Corrie towards the former prison guard demonstrate an awareness of

- **A.** the importance of the Christian community.
- **B.** the respect all must have for the law.
- **C.** an individual's right to freedom.
- **D.** Christian love and forgiveness.



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The Dreaming creation stories tell of the

- A. incarnations of supernatural offspring.
- **B.** languages and customs of the Aboriginal people.
- **C.** origins of important features of the landscape.
- **D.** contact of indigenous Australians with other peoples.

SELECT THE CORRECT RESPONSE TO COMPLETE THE STATEMENT.

A **chalice** is used to hold the ___1 ___ and a **paten** is used to hold the ___2 ___ as they are being consecrated by the priest in the Eucharistic celebration.

	1.	2.
Α	water	wine
В	bread	wine
С	wine	bread
D	wine	water

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Rituals, places and times that are important to religious communities are best described as

- A. sacred.
- **B.** valued.
- **C.** important.
- **D.** exceptional.



SELECT THE CORRECT RESPONSE TO COMPLETE THE STATEMENT.

The early Catholics in Australia were mostly the ____1___ convicts and the first convict priest was Father ____2___.

	1.	2.
Α.	Scottish	William Ullathorne
В.	English	Jeremiah O'Flynn
С.	Welsh	John Bede Polding
D.	Irish	James Dixon



READ THE SCRIPTURE PASSAGE TO ANSWER QUESTION 18.

In those days Mary set out and went with haste to a Judean town in the hill country, where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leaped in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit and exclaimed with a loud cry, "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb."

LUKE 1:39 – 42

This passage would most likely be read on the Feast of the

- A. Queenship of Mary.
- **B.** Annunciation.
- C. Assumption.
- **D.** Visitation.

A key belief held by Catholics is that God takes on a human nature. This is known as the

- A. Ascension.
- **B.** Incarnation.
- **C.** Alpha and Omega.
- **D.** Immaculate Conception.

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Caritas Australia is the international aid and development organisation of the Catholic Church in Australia. This organisation is an example of working for the

- A. freedom of all religions.
- **B.** development of wealth.
- **C.** creation of a just society.
- **D.** removal of racism and segregation.

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READ THE STATEMENT TO ANSWER QUESTION 21.

St Benedict was born in the year 480 AD and he formalised a pattern or rule for a community that emphasised set periods of common worship, manual labour, private prayer and study.

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St Benedict's rule is still used today and is practised by many of those who follow a _____? ____ way of life.

- A. meditative
- **B.** sedentary
- **C.** monastic
- **D.** secular



Which of the following groups of Christians believe in the doctrine of the supreme authority of the Pope?

- A. Maronite Catholics
- B. Evangelical Anglicans
- C. Protestant Christians
- D. Eastern Orthodox Christians

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READ THE STATEMENT TO ANSWER QUESTION 23.

Over fifty years ago, hundreds of elaborately robed leaders walked into St. Peter's Basilica, signalling the start of an historic three-year assembly that would change the way members of the world's largest Christian denomination viewed themselves, their Church and the rest of the world.

This event is known as the

- A. Council of Trent.
- B. First Vatican Council.
- **C.** Council of Chalcedon.
- **D.** Second Vatican Council.



READ THE SCRIPTURE REFERENCE TO ANSWER QUESTION 24.



This statement from the Beatitudes is addressed to those who

- A. find it difficult to make room for God in their lives.
- B. realise that they are dependent on God in their lives.
- C. are satisfied with the little that they have in this world.
- **D.** are prepared to share all that they have with those in need.

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READ THE STATEMENT TO ANSWER QUESTION 25.

In April 2015 the Federal Court of Australia ruled that internet companies must hand over the names and address of internet users who downloaded copied movies to the film's rightful owners. The downloaders could then have legal action taken against them.

Which of the commandments relates to this court decision?

- **A.** You shall not worship anything other than God.
- B. You shall not covet another person's property.
- C. You shall not bear false witness.
- **D.** You shall not steal from others.

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The Beatitudes could best be described as

- A. a set of religious laws.
- **B.** a summary of the New Testament.
- **C.** the key to living a life pleasing to God.
- **D.** a standard by which one's faith is judged.

Share your food with those who are hungry. Give shelter to poor people who have no homes. If you see someone without clothing, give them some clothes. And do not refuse to help your own relatives. Then you will know my kindness.

ISAIAH 58: 7-8A

The Prophet Isaiah is letting the people of his time know that they should

- **A.** follow the example of Jesus.
- **B.** take care of those who have less.
- **C.** give favour to those who have faith.
- **D.** ask God for all that is necessary for a good life.

READ THE SCRIPTURE PASSAGE TO ANSWER QUESTION 28.

Jesus began to teach them many things in parables, and in his teaching he said to them: 'Listen! A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seed fell on the path, and the birds came and ate it up. Other seed fell on rocky ground, where it did not have much soil, and it sprang up quickly, since it had no depth of soil. And when the sun rose, it was scorched; and since it had no root, it withered away. Other seed fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked it, and it yielded no grain. Other seed fell into good soil and brought forth grain, growing up and increasing and yielding thirty and sixty and a hundredfold.' And he said, 'Let anyone with ears to hear listen!'

MARK 4:2 – 9

In this Scripture passage Jesus is referring to himself as the sower and the ____?___ as his preaching about God's kingdom.

- A. seeds
- **B.** rocks
- **C.** birds
- **D.** thorns

The National Council of Churches in Australia has established the Australian Churches Refugee Taskforce to promote a shared Christian vision of compassion and hospitality for asylum seekers and refugees. The Churches and their agencies work together to advocate for just and humane policies.

This is an example of

- A. ecumenism.
- **B.** reconciliation.
- **C.** interfaith dialogue.
- **D.** community integration.



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A religion whose beliefs and stories relate only to the specific place in which it originated is described as

- A. primal.
- B. ancient.
- C. embedded.
- D. indigenous.

READ THE SCRIPTURE PASSAGE TO ANSWER QUESTIONS 31 AND 32.

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. Then God said, 'Let there be light'; and there was light. And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

GENESIS 1: 1 - 5

What type of writing is used in this Scripture passage?

- A. narrative
- **B.** prophecy
- C. legend
- **D.** epic



A literalist interpretation of the Story of Creation found in the book of Genesis would be that

- A. the world is created by God and gradually becomes more complex.
- **B.** it describes the origin of the cosmos and its glorious centrepiece, Earth.
- **C.** it is representative of modern theories of evolution.
- **D.** the world was created by God within one week.

The Ten Commandments were given to God's people

- A. upon reaching the land of Canaan.
- **B.** during their exile in the land of Babylon.
- C. before Israel's battle with the Philistines.
- **D.** in the desert before reaching the land of Canaan.

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SELECT THE CORRECT RESPONSE TO COMPLETE THE STATEMENT.

The Second Rite of the Sacrament of Reconciliation is an opportunity for people to participate in the sacrament as a part of a ____1.___ celebration, rather than just an ____2.___ celebration.

	1.	2.
Α	communal	individual
В	communal	ordinary
С	forgiving	individual
D	healing	absolving

READ THE SCRIPTURE PASSAGE TO ANSWER QUESTION 35.

You have heard that it was said, 'You shall love your neighbour and hate your enemy.' But I say to you, Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, so that you may be children of your Father in heaven; for he makes his sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the righteous and on the unrighteous. For if you love those who love you, what reward do you have? Do not even the tax collectors do the same?

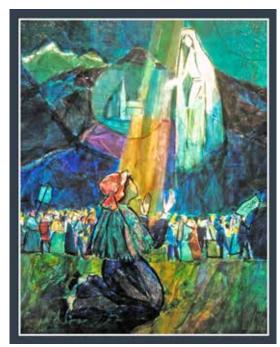
MATTHEW 5: 43 - 46

This Scripture passage reminds us that God

- A. loves all people.
- **B.** will persecute the wicked.
- **C.** asks us to think about our actions.
- **D.** wants us to be like the tax collectors.

READ THE STORY TO ANSWER QUESTION 36.

The Blessed Virgin Mary was seen by a young girl named Bernadette in 1858. Mary wore a long white veil that fell to her feet and she held a gold rosary between her fingers. Everything about Mary radiated happiness and peace. Her face was serene and her eyes full of love. Mary seemed to be greeting Bernadette tenderly while she bent toward her. Bernadette took her rosary from her pocket and started to pray.



This private visit of the Blessed Virgin Mary to Bernadette is known as

- A. a solemnity.
- **B.** an animation.
- **C.** an apparition.
- **D.** a presentation.

The Lord spoke to Moses and Aaron, saying to them: Speak to the people of Israel, saying: From among all the land animals, these are the creatures that you may eat. Any animal that has divided hoofs and is cleft footed and chews the cud- such you may eat.

LEVITICUS 11:1-3

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Above all, maintain constant love for one another, for love covers a multitude of sins. Be hospitable to one another without complaining. Like good stewards of the manifold grace of God, serve one another with whatever gift each of you has received.

1 PETER 4:8-10

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Abraham was the father of Isaac, and Isaac the father of Jacob, and Jacob the father of Judah and his brothers, and Judah the father of Perez and Zerah by Tamar, and Perez the father of Hezron, and Hezron the father of Aram.

MATTHEW 1:2 - 3

Identify the correct literary form for each of the Scripture passages above.

	1.	2.	3.
Α.	law	wisdom	prophecy
В.	law	speech	genealogy
C.	sermon	wisdom	prophecy
D.	sermon	speech	genealogy

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READ THE INFORMATION TO ANSWER QUESTION 38.



Father Damien volunteered to work on the leper colony on the island of Molokai. In 1885, after 16 years of caring for the physical, spiritual and emotional needs of the people in the leper colony, he was announced a leper but for four years continued to build hospitals, clinics, and churches, and some six hundred coffins. He died in 1889 on the island of Molokai. Father Damien was declared a saint in 2009.

Which Beatitude best expresses the work of Father Damien?

- A. Blessed are the merciful.
- **B.** Blessed are the poor in Spirit.
- C. Blessed are the peacemakers.
- **D.** Blessed are the pure in heart.



USE THE TABLE TO ANSWER QUESTION 39.

The table shows examples of books from the four major sections of the Old Testament.

Section 1	Section 2	Section 3	Section 4
Genesis	Joshua	Amos	Psalms
Exodus	Judges	Jeremiah	Proverbs
Leviticus	Nehemiah	Ezekiel	Ecclesiastes
Numbers	Tobit	Daniel	Song of Songs
Deuteronomy	Judith	Hosea	Ecclesiasticus

Select the correct names for each section.

	1.	2.	3.	4.
Α.	Pentateuch	History	Prophets	Wisdom
В.	Torah	Prophets	Wisdom	Poetry
C.	Law	Poetry	Kings	Pentateuch
D.	History	Kings	Law	Torah

On that day, when evening had come, he said to them, 'Let us go across to the other side.' And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. A great gale arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. But Jesus was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him, 'Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?' He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, 'Peace! Be still!' Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. He said to them, 'Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?' And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, 'Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?'

MARK 4:35 - 41

This story calls contemporary Christians to

- A. understand more deeply the events of Jesus' life.
- **B.** know that we can also be witnesses to Jesus' miracles.
- **C.** put trust in Jesus especially in the difficult times of life.
- **D.** put trust in themselves when life is difficult.

READ THE SCRIPTURE PASSAGE TO ANSWER QUESTION 41.

And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you for ever. JOHN 14:16

Jesus is promising to send the

- A. Saints.
- B. Church.
- C. Apostles.
- **D.** Holy Spirit.

In Australia we are often presented with the image that people are drowning at sea because they make dangerous journeys in small, overcrowded, unseaworthy boats.



As Christians, images such as these challenge us to

- A. respond with compassion.
- **B.** strengthen our laws.
- **C.** ignore the media.
- **D.** accept injustice.

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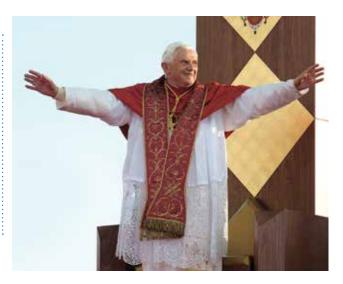
The Church leader who convened the Second Vatican Council was

- A. Pope Pius XII.
- B. Pope St John XXIII.
- **C.** Pope Paul VI.
- **D.** Pope St John Paul II.

READ THE STATEMENT TO ANSWER QUESTION 44.

Given the reality of cultural diversity, people need to not only accept the existence of others' culture, but be enriched by it and accept that it is good and beautiful.

POPE BENEDICT XVI, MAY 2010



Pope Benedict's words encourage us to recognise that

- A. the world is made up of many different cultures.
- **B.** we are sometimes reluctant to accept other cultures.
- **C.** every culture has something of value to offer the world.
- **D.** the world should form one culture that values everyone.

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READ THE STATEMENT TO ANSWER QUESTION 45.

"Mercy is not opposed to justice but rather expresses God's way of reaching out to the sinner, offering him a new chance to look at himself, convert, and believe."

POPE FRANCIS

- Letter proclaiming the Jubilee Year of Mercy, April 2015

In this statement Pope Francis is reminding the world that

- A. justice is achieved by converting sinners.
- **B.** forgiveness is not incompatible with justice.
- **C.** the law must always be upheld against sinners.
- **D.** justice and forgiveness can only come from God.

The purpose of this sacrament is the conferral of a special grace on the Christian experiencing the difficulties inherent in the condition of grave illness or old age.

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This statement refers to the Sacrament of

- A. Baptism.
- B. Penance.
- C. Marriage.
- **D.** Anointing.



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The elements of the sacrament referred to in this statement are

- A. blessing with oil, the prayer of faith, laying on of hands.
- **B.** prayer of blessing, laying on of hands, washing with water.
- **C.** the prayer of faith, removal of sins, commendation to God.
- **D.** forgiveness of sins, washing with water, prayer of blessing.

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READ THE STATEMENT TO ANSWER QUESTION 48.

"It is not enough to be passers-by on the digital highways... we cannot live apart, closed in on ourselves. We need to love and be loved." POPE FRANCIS,

JANUARY 2014.



In his address Pope Francis is encouraging young people to

- A. take time to reflect and not react to others on social media.
- **B.** value others and engage in mutually life-giving relationships.
- **C.** be open to others as a means to transform the world.
- **D.** stop using technology to communicate with others.



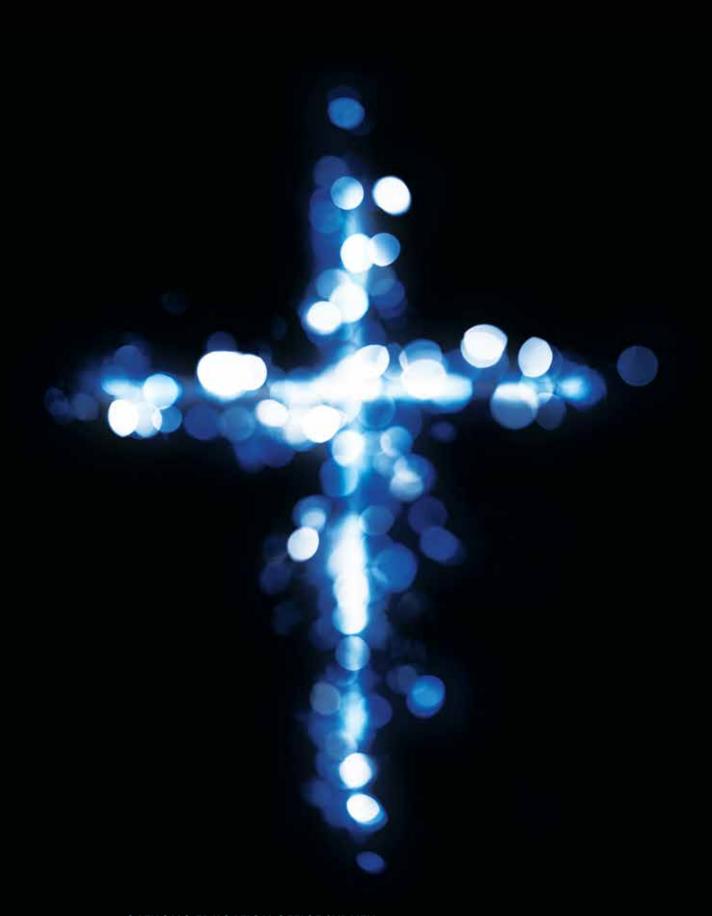
In 431 CE the Council of Ephesus gave Mary the title Theotokos, which means

- A. God Bearer.
- **B.** Full of Grace.
- **C.** Virgin Mother.
- D. Blessed Virgin.



Nostra Aetate (In Our Time) was written by the Second Vatican Council in 1965 and addressed the Church's relationship with non-Christian religions. This document recognised that Christians, Jews and Muslims believe in

- A. the same God.
- **B.** different gods.
- **C.** Jesus' divinity.
- **D.** the same sacred writings.





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