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Religious Studies

Paper 1

The Christian Church through a Study of
the Catholic Church and
One Protestant Tradition

MV18

[GRS11]

MONDAY 11 MAY, MORNING

TIME

1 hour 30 minutes, plus your additional time allowance.

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Write your Centre Number and Candidate Number in the spaces provided at the top of this page.

Answer **all** the questions in **Section A** in the spaces provided in this booklet **and two** from **three** questions in **Section B** on the lined pages at the end of this booklet.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

The total mark for this paper is 105.

Quality of written communication will be assessed in **all** questions. Spelling, punctuation and accurate use of grammar will be assessed in Section B questions **5(c)**, **6(c)** and **7(c)**, where **two** questions only are required to be completed.

Figures in brackets printed at the end of each question indicate the marks awarded to each question or part question.

Section A

Answer **all** questions.

1 The Early Church

(a) (i) On what day did the Holy Spirit come to the Apostles? [1 mark]

(ii) Name **two** spiritual gifts mentioned by Paul in his letter to the Corinthians. [1 mark for each]

1. _____

2. _____

(iii) Name **two** activities of the early Church. [1 mark for each]

1. _____

2. _____

(b) In his teachings Paul said the Church was like the human body. What did he mean by this? [5 marks]

(c) “The Church today should try to be more like the early Church.”

Do you agree or disagree? Give reasons for your answer. [5 marks]

2 St Patrick

(a) (i) On what date is the feast of St Patrick celebrated?
[1 mark]

(ii) What age was St Patrick when he was brought to Ireland as a slave? [1 mark]

(iii) Name **one** of St Patrick's writings. [1 mark]

(iv) What did St Patrick use a shamrock to explain?
[1 mark]

(v) How did God speak to St Patrick? [1 mark]

(b) "St Patrick is a good role model for Christians today."

Do you agree or disagree? Give reasons for your answer showing that you have considered different points of view. [10 marks]

3 Church Furniture and Worship



Altar/Communion Table

- (a) Describe the purpose and location of the altar/communion table in a tradition of your choice.
[5 marks]

(b) Why do Christians include a homily/sermon in a church service? [5 marks]

(c) “How you worship is more important than where you worship.”

Do you agree or disagree? Give reasons for your answer. [5 marks]

4 The Role of the Church in Contemporary Society

(a) Describe ways in which a church can benefit its local community. [5 marks]

Section B

Answer **two** from **three** questions.

Five marks will be awarded for spelling, punctuation and accurate use of grammar in part (c) of your answers.

Write on the pages provided at the end of the examination paper.

5 Church Government

- (a) Choose **one** church you have studied. Describe the role of the key people in the organisation of this church. [5 marks]
- (b) Explain why fewer people today want to become church leaders. [5 marks]
- (c) “Church ministers/pastors/priests should allow others to get more involved in the life of their church.”

Do you agree? Give reasons for your answer. [10 marks]

6 Baptism

- (a)** Describe the ceremony of baptism in a tradition of your choice. [5 marks]
- (b)** Explain why it is important for Christians to be baptised. [5 marks]
- (c)** “Baptism has become a social rather than a religious event.”

Do you agree? Give reasons for your answer. [10 marks]

7 Festivals

- (a)** Describe ways in which Advent is a time of preparation for Christmas. [5 marks]
- (b)** Explain why Lent is important for Christians. [5 marks]
- (c)** “Churches could do more to highlight the religious significance of Christmas.”

Do you agree? Give reasons for your answer. [10 marks]

Sources

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