

**GENERAL CERTIFICATE OF SECONDARY EDUCATION**  
**RELIGIOUS STUDIES A (WORLD RELIGIONS) (FULL COURSE)**

**2304/2**

Paper 4B Christianity (Roman Catholic)

**MONDAY 16 JUNE 2008**

Morning  
Time: 1 hour 30 minutes

**Additional materials (enclosed):** None

**Additional materials (required):**  
Answer Booklet (8 pages)



**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

- Write your name in capital letters, your Centre Number and Candidate Number in the spaces provided on the Answer Booklet.
- Write your answers, in blue or black ink, in the Answer Booklet provided.
- Read each question carefully and make sure you know what you have to do before starting your answer.
- Answer Question 1 and **two** other questions.

**INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES**

- The number of marks for each question is given in brackets [ ] at the end of each question or part question.
- The total number of marks for this paper is **64**.
- You will be awarded up to 4 marks in Question 1 for the quality of written communication.

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Answer Question 1 and **two** other questions.

'This is why a man leaves his father and mother, and the two become one flesh.' Mark 10:7-8 (NJB)

- 1 (a) Describe what is said and done at a Roman Catholic marriage ceremony. [8]
- (b) Explain how the teachings about marriage found in this ceremony might affect the lives of Roman Catholic couples. [7]
- (c) 'Only married couples should have children.'

Do you agree? Give reasons to support your answer and show that you have thought about different points of view. You must refer to Christianity in your answer. [5]

- 2 (a) Describe what the 'Hail Mary' teaches about the role of Mary. [8]
- (b) Explain how following the example of Mary might affect the life of a young Roman Catholic. [7]
- (c) 'Mary is too difficult a role model to follow.'

Do you agree? Give reasons to support your answer and show that you have thought about different points of view. You must refer to Christianity in your answer. [5]

- 3 (a) Describe the main similarities **and** differences between Roman Catholic and Protestant Christians. [8]
- (b) Explain the importance of ecumenism to the Roman Catholic Church. [7]
- (c) 'Ecumenism weakens people's beliefs.'

Do you agree? Give reasons to support your answer and show that you have thought about different points of view. You must refer to Christianity in your answer. [5]

- 4 (a) Describe how Roman Catholics celebrate Holy Week. [8]
- (b) Explain why Sunday is an important day for Roman Catholics. [7]
- (c) 'Easter Sunday is the most important day in the Roman Catholic calendar.'

Do you agree? Give reasons to support your answer and show that you have thought about different points of view. You must refer to Christianity in your answer. [5]

- 5 (a) Describe the ways a Roman Catholic might receive the sacrament of the sick. [8]
- (b) Explain how receiving the sacrament of the sick might help a Roman Catholic. [7]
- (c) 'Roman Catholic sacraments are meaningless in today's society.'

Do you agree? Give reasons to support your answer and show that you have thought about different points of view. You must refer to Christianity in your answer. [5]

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