

**Oxford Cambridge and RSA Examinations**

**General Certificate of Secondary Education**

**RELIGIOUS STUDIES A (WORLD RELIGIONS)**

PAPER 2B – Christian (Roman Catholic) Perspective on Personal,  
Social and World Issues.

**2302/2**

**Specimen Paper 2003**

Additional materials: Answer paper  
Candidates answer on separate answer paper provided.

**TIME** 1 hour 30 minutes

#### **INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

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

#### **INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES**

- The number of marks 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.

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

- 1 **'I have a dream that my four little children will one day live in a nation where they will not be judged by the colour of their skin, but by the sort of persons they are. I have a dream, that one day... all God's children, black men, white men, Jews and Gentiles, Protestants and Catholics, will be able to join hands and sing in the words of the black people's old song, Free at last, free at last, thank God Almighty, we are free at last!'**

*Revd Martin Luther King*

- (a) Give an account of biblical teaching which Catholics might use in forming their views about racism. [8]

- (b) Explain how and why one well-known Christian has helped to fight prejudice. [7]

- (c) 'Women and men are not equal!'

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

- 2 (a) Describe Christian teaching about the relationship between men and women. [8]

- (b) Explain how a couple's Christian faith might affect the way they bring up their children. [7]

- (c) 'Christians need the support of others to keep their faith strong.'

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

- 3 (a) Describe Christian teaching about 'Just War'. [8]

- (b) Explain why Christian teaching might affect the way Catholics treat their enemies. [7]

- (c) 'It is the duty of Catholics to fight for their country.'

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

- 4 (a) Describe Catholic teaching about human rights and prisoners of conscience. [8]

- (b) Explain how and why Catholics might support organisations which work for human rights throughout the world. [7]

- (c) 'Catholics should not get involved in politics.'

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

- 5 (a) Describe Catholic teaching about euthanasia. [8]
- (b) Explain how Christians might put their beliefs about euthanasia into action. [7]
- (c) 'Only God has the right to take a life.'

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]

