

SUBJECT: **Religious Knowledge**
 PAPER NUMBER: I
 DATE: 2nd September 2019
 TIME: 9:00 a.m. to 12:05 p.m.

THE SCRIPTURE AND THE CREED

Answer **THREE** questions: **ONE** from each section and a **THIRD** from any section.
 All questions carry equal marks.

SECTION A: THE CHRISTIAN BIBLE

1. The Exodus contains **TWO** main themes: slavery and freedom. Discuss.
2. Explain why in the Passion, Jesus is presented as the Servant who suffers, the Lamb of the Paschal Mystery, and the Saviour of humanity.
3. In what sense is there continuity between the Old Testament and the New Testament? Give **THREE** examples to show this continuity. Explain why Marcion's arguments were not accepted by the Church.

SECTION B: THE CREED

1. Explain why we say that faith is humanity's answer to God's love. In your answer outline the characteristics of Christian faith and discuss the Protestants' perspective about faith.
2. The central mystery of the Christian faith is the belief in the Trinity. Discuss.
3. Can humanity prove the existence of God? Discuss this question and outline the arguments for the existence of God that have been presented throughout the ages.

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L-ISKRITTURA U L-KREDU

Wiegeb **TLIET** mistoqsijiet: **WAHDA** minn kull taqsima u t-**TIELET** waħda minn liema taqsima li trid.
Il-mistoqsijiet kollha għandhom l-istess marki.

TAQSIMA A: IL-BIBBJA

1. L-Eżodu fih **ŻEWġ** temi ewlenin: il-jasar u l-ħelsien. Iddiskuti.
2. Spjega għalxiex fil-Passjoni, ġesù huwa ppreżentat bħala l-Qaddej li jbat, il-ħaruf tal-Għid, u l-Feddej tal-bnedmin.
3. F'liema sens hemm kontinwitat bejn it-Testment il-Qadim u t-Testment il-Ġdid? Ikteb **TLIET** eżempji biex turi dan. Spjega għalfejn l-argumenti ta' Marċjun ma ġewx milqgħuha mill-Knisja.

TAQSIMA B: IL-KREDU

1. Fisser għaliex ngħidu li l-fidi hi t-tweġiba tal-umanità għall-imħabba ta' Alla. Fit-tweġiba tiegħek agħti fil-qosor il-karatteristici tal-fidi Nisranja u ddiskuti l-perspettiva tal-Protestanti dwar il-fidi.
2. Il-misteru ewljeni tal-fidi Nisranja hu t-twemmin fit-Trinità. Iddiskuti.
3. Jista' l-bniedem jagħti prova ta' l-eżistenza t'Alla? Iddiskuti din il-mistoqsija u agħti fil-qosor l-argumenti għall-eżistenza t'Alla li ġew ippreżentati tul iż-żminijiet.

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LITURGY AND CHRISTIAN MORALITY

Answer **THREE** questions: **ONE** from each section and a **THIRD** from any section.
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SECTION A: LITURGY AND THE SACRAMENTS

1. Discuss the intrinsic relation between Easter and Baptism.
2. "The Word of God makes a journey within us. We listen to it with the ears and it passes to the heart; it does not remain in the ears, it must go to the heart, and from the heart it passes to the hands, to good works. This is the journey that the Word of God makes: from the ears to the heart to the hands."

(Pope Francis, General Audience Address of January 31, 2018)

Discuss the importance of the Liturgy of the Word in the mass.
3. Matrimony is one of the great ways through which a Christian can make of his/her life a gift of love, in imitation of and in the name of Christ, and thus cooperate in the building of the Church. Discuss.

SECTION B: CHRISTIAN MORALITY

1. The Beatitudes are the basis of Christian morality. Discuss.
2. "Think of human life at its conception, human life growing in the womb, life just born, life as a child, a teenager, an adult; think of life that has grown old and is ready to pass away—into eternal life! There is life that is family and community, life that reaches out with hope. There is life that is frail and sick, wounded, insulted, humiliated, marginalized and cast aside. But all are still human life, the life of human persons who live on God's Earth, and who share a common home with every living creature."

(Pope Francis Address to the Pontifical Academy for Life Vatican City, June 25th 2018)

Discuss the ethical dimension and spiritual meaning of life at each of its phases (conception, during life, death).
3. "The recurring financial instabilities have brought new problems and serious challenges such as: unemployment, the increase in various forms of poverty and human trafficking. These are often rooted in situations of conflict, migration and various social problems that governments must confront. In this context it is vital to safeguard the dignity of the human person and the common good. It is important to offer to all people opportunities for integral human development through implementing policies that favour solidarity, subsidiarity and the family."

(Pope Francis, Message to the Executive Chairman of the World Economic Forum, January 12th 2018)

Discuss.

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IL-LITURGIJA U L-MORALITÀ NISRANIJA

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TAQSIMA A: IL-LITURGIJA U S-SAGRAMENTI

- Iddiskuti r-rabta shiħa bejn I-Għid u I-Magħmudija.
- "Il-Kelma ta' Alla tagħmel mixja fil-ħajja tagħna. Nisimgħuha b'widnejna u tgħaddi għall-qalb tagħna; ma tibqax fil-widnejn, trid tinżel fil-qalb; u mill-qalb tgħaddi għad-dirghajn, għall-opri tajba. Din hi l-mixja li tagħmel il-Kelma ta' Alla: mill-widnejn għad-dirghajn."
(Papa Franġisku Udjenza Generali, 31 ta' Jannar 2018)
Iddiskuti l-importanza tal-Liturgija tal-Kelma fil-quddiesa.
- Iż-Żwieġ huwa wieħed mill-modi prinċipali li bih in-Nisrani/ja j/tista' j/tagħmel minn ħajtu/ħajjitha rigal ta' imħabba, b'imitazzjoni u f'isem Kristu, u hekk j/tikkoopera biex il-Knisja tikber. Iddiskuti.

TAQSIMA B: IL-MORALITÀ NISRANIJA

- Il-Beatitudnijiet huma l-baži tal-moralità Nisranija. Iddiskuti.
 - "Ahseb fil-ħajja umana fit-tnissil tagħha, il-ħajja umana tikber fil-ġuf, il-ħajja li għadha kemm titwielek, il-ħajja fit-tfulija, fiż-żogħiżja, bħala adult; ahseb fil-ħajja li xjaħet u lesta thallina – għall-ħajja ta' dejjem! Hemm il-ħajja li hija familja u komunità, ħajja li toħroġ minnha nnifisha bit-tama. Hemm ħajja li hija dgħajfa u marida, midruba, imkasbra, umiljata, immarginallizzata, u abbandunata. Imma xorta kollha huma ħajja umana, il-ħajja ta' persuni umani li jgħixu fuq l-Art ta' Alla, u li jaqsmu d-Din ja bħala d-dar komuni ma' kull ħlejqa ħajja."
(Papa Franġisku Diskors lill-Akkademja Pontificja għall-ħajja, 25 ta' Ġunju 2018)
Iddiskuti d-dimensjoni etika u sinifikat spiritwali tal-ħajja f'kull fażi tagħha (mit-tnissil, tul il-ħajja kollha, sal-mewt).
 - "L-instabilitajiet finanzjarji kontinwi ġabu problemi ġodda u sfidi serji bħall-qgħad, iż-żieda f'diversi għamliet ta' faqar, u t-traffikar uman. Dawn spiss ikollhom għeru qhom f'sitwazzjonijiet ta' kunflitt, migrazzjoni, u problemi soċċjali diversi li l-gvernijiet iridu jħabbu wiċċhom magħhom. F'dan il-kuntest huwa essenzjali li nħarsu d-dinjità tal-persuna umana u l-ġid komuni. Huwa importanti li noffru lin-nies kollha l-opportunitajiet għall-iż-żvilupp uman integrali billi nimplimentaw policies li jiffavorixxu s-solidarjetà, is-sussidjarjetà, u l-familja."
- (Papa Franġisku, Messaġġ li-ċ-Ċairman Eżekkuttiv tal-Forum Ekonomiku Dinji, 12 ta' Jannar 2018)*
- Iddiskuti.