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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 people of Israel, through the ages, interpreted the event of the Exodus as a major act of deliverance by their God. Discuss.
2. "In many and various ways God spoke of old to our fathers by the prophets" (Hebrews 1,1). Discuss who the Prophet is, and by referring to the exile, explain why the prophets had a crucial role amongst the people of Israel.
3. Some scholars argue that Matthew was the first Gospel written, while others argue that Mark was written first. Discuss.
4. In the four Gospels the Passion narratives leading up to the arrest of Jesus are almost identical, but some details are slightly different. Elaborate on **TWO** events from the Passion narratives explaining their similarities and differences in the way the Evangelists narrate them.

SECTION B: THE CREED

5. The late Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI in his visit to Cuba on the 28th March 2012, explained that "faith and reason are necessary and complementary in the pursuit of truth. God created man with an innate vocation to the truth and he gave him reason for this purpose. Certainly, it is not irrationality but rather the yearning for truth which the Christian faith promotes." Discuss.
6. Jesus of Nazareth referred to God as "Our father who art in heaven", implying that God is a personal God and father. Discuss.
7. The Church is called Catholic because it is universal. Elaborate.
8. The Nicene Creed concludes with the words: "I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come." Discuss.

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L-ISKRITTURA U L-KREDU

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TAQSIMA A: IL-BIBBJA

- Il-poplu ta' Iżrael, matul iż-żminijiet, interpreta l-ğraja tal-Eżodu bħala att ewljeni ta' Alla għall-ħelsien tal-poplu tiegħu. Iddiskuti.
- "Alla fl-imghoddi kellem lil missirijietna ħafna drabi u b'ħafna manjieri permezz tal-profeti" (Lhud 1,1). Iddiskuti min hu l-Profeta, u billi tirreferi għall-eżilju, spjega għala l-profeti kellhom rwol kruċjali fost il-poplu ta' Iżrael.
- Xi studjuži jargumentaw li l-Evanġelju ta' Mattew kien l-ewwel wieħed li nkiteb. Filwaqt li oħrajn jargumentaw li l-Evanġelju ta' Mark inkiteb l-ewwel. Iddiskuti.
- Fl-erba' Evanġelji r-rakkonti tal-Passjoni li wasslu sal-arrest ta' ġesù huma kważi identiči, iżda xi dettalji huma kemxejn differenti. Elabora fuq **ŽEWġ** ġrajjiet mir-rakkonti tal-Passjoni billi tispjega x-xebħ u d-differenzi bejniethom fil-mod kif inħuma rrakkontati mill-Evanġelisti.

TAQSIMA B: IL-KREDU

- Il-mibki Papa Emeritu Benedittu XVI fiż-żjara tiegħu f'Kuba fit-28 ta' Marzu 2012, spjega li "I-fidi u r-raġuni huma meħtieġa, u jikkumplimentaw lil xulxin fit-tfittxija tal-verità. Alla ħalaq il-bniedem b'vokazzjoni mit-twelid għall-verità u tah raġuni għal dan il-ġhan. Ċertament, mhix irazzjonalità iżda pjuttost l-għatx għall-verità li tippromwovi l-fidi Nisranija." Iddiskuti.
- Ġesù ta' Nazaret sejjaħ lil Alla bħala "Missierna li inti fis-smewwiet". Dan jimplika li Alla hu Alla personali kif ukoll missier. Iddiskuti.
- Il-Knisja tissejjaħ Kattolika għax hi universali. Elabora.
- Il-Kredu ta' Niċċea jispiċċa bil-kliem: "Nistenna l-qawmien mill-imwiet, u l-ħajja taż-żmien li ġej." Iddiskuti.



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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. "Holy Mother Church believes that she should celebrate the saving work of her divine Spouse in a sacred commemoration on certain days throughout the course of the year. Once each week, on the day which she has called the Lord's Day, she keeps the memory of the Lord's resurrection. She also celebrates it once every year, together with his blessed Passion, at Easter, that most solemn of all feasts" (CCC, 1163). Discuss how the liturgical year and Sunday sanctify time.
2. "In the Liturgy of the New Covenant every liturgical action, especially the celebration of the Eucharist and the sacraments, is an encounter between Christ and the Church" (CCC, 1097). Discuss, by making particular reference to the role of the Holy Spirit.
3. Elaborate on the role of the Sacrament of Baptism in relation to the economy of salvation.
4. Discuss the relevance of the Sacraments of Commitment in contemporary Christian life.

SECTION B: CHRISTIAN MORALITY

5. In what ways should the Commandments direct the Christian towards a fuller life, rather than being seen as rules to be obeyed? Discuss.
6. "A sense of the dignity of the human person has been impressing itself more and more deeply on the consciousness of the contemporary person, and the demand is increasingly made that persons should act on their own judgment, enjoying and making use of a responsible freedom ..." (*Dignitatis Humanae*, 1). Discuss the notion of human freedom in relation to grace.
7. In what ways does human sexuality go beyond the biological aspect and looks at the innermost aspect of the human person? Elaborate.
8. St John Paul II championed the term "Culture of Life" to delineate the need to bring pro-life convictions to every aspect of life of the person. Elaborate.

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IL-LITURGIJA U L-MORALITÀ NISRANIJA

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TAQSIMA A: IL-LITURGIJA U S-SAGRAMENTI

- “Ommna I-Knisja Mqaddsa thoss li huwa dmir tagħha li tiċċelebra I-opra tas-salvazzjoni li għamel I-Għarus tagħha b'tifikira mqaddsa, f'ċerti ġranet tul sena shiħa. Kull ġimgħa, nhar ta' Hadd, li I-Knisja ssejjaħlu Jum il-Mulej, hi tfakkar il-Qawmien tal-Mulej mill-imwiet, ġrajja li tfakkar ukoll flimkien mal-Passjoni mqaddsa tiegħu darba fis-sena bis-solennit kollha, fl-Għid il-Kbir tal-Mulej.” (KKK, 1163). Iddiskuti kif is-sena liturgika u I-Hadd iqaddsu ż-żmien.
- “Fil-Liturgija tal-Patt il-Ġdid, kull azzjoni liturgika, speċjalment iċ-ċelebrazzjoni tal-Ewkaristija u tas-sagamenti, hi laqqha ma’ Kristu u mal-Knisja.” (KKK, 1097). Iddiskuti, b’referenza partikolari għall-irwol tal-Ispirtu s-Santu.
- Elabora fuq I-irwol tas-Sagament tal-Magħmudija fid-dawl tal-ekonomija tas-salvazzjoni.
- Iddiskuti r-rilevanza tas-Sagamenti tas-Sejħa fil-ħajja Nisranija tal-lum.

TAQSIMA B: IL-MORALITÀ NISRANIJA

- Il-Kmandamenti b'liema mod għandhom iressqu lin-Nisrani lejn ħajja aktar shiħa, aktar milli jitqiesu bħala regoli li għandhom jiġu obduti? Iddiskuti.
- “Il-bnedmin tal-lum qed jagħrfu aktar u aktar it-tifsira tad-dinjità tal-persuna umana, u qed jiżdied I-ġħadd ta' dawk li jesiġu li, meta jaġixxu, il-bnedmin igawdu u jagħmlu użu mill-ġudizzju personali u mil-libertà responsabbli tagħhom...” (*Dignitatis Humanae*, 1). Iddiskuti l-kunċett tal-libertà tal-bniedem fid-dawl tal-grazzja.
- B'liema modi s-sesswalita' umana tmur lil hinn mill-aspett biologiku u tħares iktar lejn il-profoundita' tal-bniedem? Elabora.
- San Ĝwanni Pawlu II sostna t-terminu “Il-Kultura tal-ħajja” sabiex jippromwovi I-ħtieġa t’atitudnijiet favur il-ħajja f’kull aspett tal-ħajja umana. Elabora.