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SUBJECT:	RELIGIOUS KNOWLEDGE
DATE:	7th September 2012
TIME:	4.00 p.m. to 7.00 p.m.

Answer Section A and ANY THREE QUESTIONS from Section B

Section A carries 40% of the total mark while Section B carries 60%.

Section A. Answer all questions. Each question carries 4 marks.

1. What is the liturgy and what place does it occupy in the life of the Church?
2. What are the effects of Confirmation?
3. What are vices?
4. How can society ensure social justice?
5. What does the term "Decalogue" mean?
6. In what sense is Jesus "the Only Begotten Son of God"?
7. What does the phrase "the communion of saints" mean?
8. How did the first Christian community in Jerusalem pray?
9. What does: "Lead us not into temptation" mean?
10. What meaning does work have for the human being?

Section B. Answer THREE questions. Each question carries 20 marks.

Question 1

In the Gospels, we find various accounts where Jesus healed someone spiritually or physically.

a) Mention **six** accounts related to physical healing. (3)
b) In the Sacrament of the Sick, the anointing with oil strengthens the sick person. Mention and explain **three** of the effects that this Sacrament bestows on the recepient. (9)
c) Explain when and how often a person can receive this Sacrament (4).
d) Explain who the minister of the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick is, and how this Sacrament is celebrated. (4)

Question 2

"By faith, man completely submits his intellect and his will to God. With his whole being man gives his assent to God the revealer" (Vatican Council II, *Dei Verbum*, 2).

a) Explain what faith is particularly by referring to two models of obedience in faith in the Bible. (8)
b) For the Christian, believing in God means a personal adherence of man to God, listening to and believing in Jesus Christ, the Son of God, and sharing in his Spirit. Explain faith "in God as Trinity" (9)
c) Mention any **three** characteristics of faith. (3)

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Question 3

Sexuality gives expression to one of the deepest dimensions of human relationships.

a) How can the Christian person live chastity? (7)

b) What is the relationship between the virtue of temperance and chastity? (5)

c) What did Christ teach about adultery? (4)

d) What responsibilities do civil authorities have with regards to pornography? Does the fact that the shop illustrated in this photo is licenced mean that it is morally good for the Catholic? Give examples for your answer. (4)

Question 4

The Church proposes to the faithful certain rhythms of praying intended to nourish continual prayer. Saint Gregory of Nazianzus says "We must remember God more often than we draw breath" (*Orationes theologicae* 1,4).

a) Which are the **three** expressions of the life of prayer? (6)

b) Discuss **two** principal difficulties which we meet in the practice of prayer. (6)

c) Mention what the Catholic can do as a remedy to such difficulties in prayer. (8)

Question 5

a) Explain the way in which the second commandment orders the Christian to respect God's name. (8)

b) What does the third commandment teach about the sanctity of Sunday? How can we sanctify it? (6)

c) The Lord's Day is a day in which one rests and gives thanks. What are the obligations that employees and employers have on Sunday? (6)

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Wieġeb Sezzjoni A u TLIET MISTOQSIJIET minn Sezzjoni B
Sezzjoni A għandha 40% tal-marki totali, waqt li Sezzjoni B għandha 60%.

Sezzjoni A. Wieġeb il-mistoqsijiet kollha. Kull mistoqsija għandha 4 marki.

1. X'inhi l-liturġija u x'post għandha fil-ħajja tal-Knisja?
2. X'inhuma l-effetti tal-Griżma tal-Isqof?
3. X'inhuma l-vizzji?
4. Kif tista' s-soċjetà tiżgura l-ġustizzja soċjali?
5. Xi tfisser il-kelma "Dekalogu"?
6. Ġesù, f'liema sens huwa "l-Iben Waħdieni ta' Alla"?
7. Xi tfisser il-frażi "ix-xirka tal-qaddisin"?
8. Kif kienet titlob l-ewwel komunità Nisranija ta' Ġerusalemm?
9. Xi tfisser: "La ddaħħalniex fit-tiġrib"?
10. X'tifsira għandu x-xogħol għall-bniedem?

Sezzjoni B. Wieġeb TLIET mistoqsijiet. Kull mistoqsija għandha 20 marka.

Mistoqsija 1
Fl-Evanġelji nsibu diversi ġrajjiet fejn juru li Ġesù fejjaq lil xi ħadd spiritwalment jew fiżikament.

a) Semmi **sitt** rakkonti li jitkellmu dwar fejqan fiżiku. (3)
b) Fis-Sagrament tal-Griżma tal-Morda, id-dlik biż-żejt jgħin lill-persuna marida. Semmi u spjega **tlieta** mill-effetti li d-dlik tal-Morda jħalli fuq min jirċevih. (9)
c) Spjega meta u kemm-il darba tista' persuna tirċievi dan is-Sagrament. (4)
d) Spjega min hu l-ministru tas-Sagrament tal-Griżma tal-Morda, u kif jiġi ċċelebrat dan is-Sagrament. (4)

Mistoqsija 2
"Bil-fidi l-bniedem iħalli għal kollox f'idejn Alla l-intelliġenza u r-rieda tiegħu u, b'ruħu u ġismu jagħti l-kunsens tiegħu lil Alla, awtur tar-rivelazzjoni" (Konċ. Vatikan II, *Dei Verbum*, 2).

a) Spjega x'inhi l-fidi billi tirreferi għal żewġ mudelli ta' ubbidjenza ta' fidi li tagħtina l-Iskrittura Mqaddsa. (8)
b) Għan-Nisrani, li temmen f'Alla jfisser ir-rabta personali tal-bniedem ma' Alla, li wieħed jisma' u jemmen f'Ġesu Kristu, l-Iben ta' Alla, u jkollu sehem mill-Ispirtu s-Santu. Spjega xi nfissru b'fidi "f'Alla bħala Trinità". (9)
c) Semmi **tliet** karatteristiċi tal-fidi. (3)

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Mistoqsija 3

Is-sesswalità hija expressjoni ta' waħda mill-aktar dimensjonijiet profondi tar-relazzjonijiet umani.

a) Kif jista' n-Nisrani jgħix il-kastità? (7)
b) X'inhi r-rabta bejn il-virtù tar-rażan u l-kastità? (5)
c) X'jgħallem Kristu dwar l-adulterju? (4)
d) X'responsabbiltà għandhom l-awtoritajiet ċivili fejn tidħol il-pornografija? Il-fatt li l-ħanut li jidher f'dan ir-ritratt hu legalment liċenzjat ifisser li hu moralment tajjeb għan-Nisrani? Agħti xi eżempji għat-tweġiba tiegħek. (4)

Mistoqsija 4

Il-Knisja toffri lill-fidili ritmi ta' talb sabiex isostnu talb li ma jaqtax. San Girgor Nazjanzenu jgħid: "Għandna niftakru f'Alla aktar ta' spiss milli nieħdu n-nifs" (*Orationes theologicae* 1,4).

a) Liema huma t-**tliet** suriet tal-ħajja tat-talb? (6)
b) Iddiskuti **żewġ** diffikultajiet ewlenin li magħhom niltaqgħu meta niġu biex nitolbu. (6)
c) Semmi x'jista' jagħmel il-Kattoliku biex jegħleb dawn id-diffikultajiet fit-talb. (8)

Mistoqsija 5

a) Spjega kif it-tieni kmandament jordna lin-Nisrani biex juri rispett lejn isem il-Mulej. (8)
b) X'jgħallem it-tielet kmandament dwar il-qdusija tal-Ħadd? Kif għandna nqaddsu l-Ħadd? (6)
c) Jum il-Mulej hu jum ta' mistrieħ u radd il-ħajr. X'inhuma l-obbligi ta' min jaħdem u ta' min iħaddem fil-ġurnata tal-Ħadd? (6)