

# RE GCSE Paper 1 Catholic Christianity 2022: Exam Pre-Release Information

AQA have confirmed the following four units will be assessed in your first RE exam this year (**Monday 16th May AM**).

The topics listed are in specification order, not question order.

## 1. Creation

- Michelangelo's *Creation of Adam*
- Humans being made in the image of God
- Natural law
- Catholic views on the harmony between science and religion
- Stewardship and ways Catholics can carry this out at different levels.

## 2. Incarnation

- Christian symbols
- Scriptural origins of the belief in Jesus as the incarnate Son
- Jesus as both fully human and fully God
- Jesus as the fulfilment of the law—moral teachings
- *Dei Verbum 4* and *Verbum Domini 12*
- Seven sacraments and their effect on the sanctification of life

## 3. Triune God

- Use and influence of different styles of music and Mass settings
- One God as a Trinity of persons expressed in the Creed, Deuteronomy 6:4, Matthew 3:16-17 & Galatians 4:6
- Christian understanding of God as Trinity—Mark 1:9-11, Galatians 4:6-7
- Conciliar magisterial authority—Councils of Nicaea and Constantinople
- Prayer—traditional and spontaneous

## 4. Redemption

- Architecture, design and decoration of Catholic Churches - lectern, altar, crucifix and tabernacle
- How redemption has influenced Catholic understanding of liturgy
- Redemption themes in Mark 15:21-39, John 20:1-18, Acts 1:6-11 & 2:1-4
- Conscience
- Mass and Eucharist, including different Christian perspectives

## Where can I find information to help me revise these topics?

- [AQA | GCSE | Religious Studies B | Changes for 2022](#)
- Your purple **exercise book** has work on the Trinity, and Incarnation from Years 10 and 11 to help you revise for your exam.
- In Year 10, you were given a work booklet about Creation.
- The **revision guide** is available for purchase through Parent Pay.
- The course textbook is available via [www.kerboodle.com](http://www.kerboodle.com) and you have your own log in for this site.
- **Mr McMillan's YouTube** channel contains content on how to revise effectively, and there are revision tutorials available for all of these units:
  - [GCSE RE Catholic Christianity - Creation in Genesis | By MrMcMillanREvis - YouTube](#)
  - [GCSE RE Catholic Christianity - Doctrine of the Incarnation | By MrMcMillanREvis - YouTube](#)
  - [GCSE RE Catholic Christianity - Trinity in the Bible | By MrMcMillanREvis - YouTube](#)
  - [GCSE RE Catholic Christianity - Introduction to Redemption | By MrMcMillanREvis - YouTube](#)



# RE GCSE Paper 2 Themes in the Study of Religion 23rd May

AQA will not release any advance information for Paper 2. In this exam, you need to spend 50 minutes working on the Judaism paper and 50 minutes working on the Themes Paper. Do not attempt Theme C. Below is the revision list for each unit.

<u>Judaism Beliefs</u>	<u>Judaism Practices</u>	<u>Theme A: Religion, relationships and families</u>	<u>Theme B: Religion, Peace and Conflict</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The nature of God: God as One</li> <li>• The nature of God: God as Creator</li> <li>• The nature of God: God as Law-giver and Judge</li> <li>• The divine presence (Shekhinah)</li> <li>• Beliefs about life after death</li> <li>• Nature and role of the Messiah</li> <li>• The promised land and the Covenant with Abraham</li> <li>• The importance of the Covenant at Sinai</li> <li>• Key moral principles</li> <li>• The importance of the sanctity of human life, including the concept of 'saving life' (Pikuach Nefesh)</li> <li>• The relationship between free will and the 613 mitzvot</li> <li>• Importance of the mitzvot between man and God</li> <li>• Importance of the mitzvot between man and man</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The synagogue and its importance</li> <li>• The design and religious features of a synagogue (bimah, ark, ner tamid)</li> <li>• Public acts of worship: synagogue services Orthodox and Reform</li> <li>• Public acts of worship: significance of prayer including the Amidah</li> <li>• Significance of Shabbat in the home and the synagogue</li> <li>• Worship in the home and private prayer</li> <li>• Study, use and significance of the written law (Tenakh) and oral law (Talmud)</li> <li>• Significance of rituals associated with birth including Brit Milah</li> <li>• Significance of Bar and Bat Mitzvah</li> <li>• Rituals and significance of Jewish marriage</li> <li>• Mourning rituals</li> <li>• Dietary laws</li> <li>• Importance, origins and meaning of Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kippur and Pesach</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Biblical understanding of human beings as sexual, male and female</li> <li>• Catholic teaching about the nature and purpose of sexual love as marital, unitive and procreative</li> <li>• Contrasting attitudes to sex before marriage, homosexuality and adultery.</li> <li>• Key features of Theology of the Body</li> <li>• Conditions of a valid marriage in the Catholic Church</li> <li>• Nature of marriage and the marriage vows</li> <li>• Annulment, divorce and remarriage</li> <li>• Catholic approaches to family planning</li> <li>• Nature and purpose of the family</li> <li>• Dignity of work within the home</li> <li>• Equality of men and women in the Bible</li> <li>• Catholic teaching on the equality of men and women</li> <li>• Gender prejudice and discrimination</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Violence as a feature of the human condition</li> <li>• Concepts of forgiveness and reconciliation</li> <li>• Concept of justice</li> <li>• Meaning and significance of the Just War Theory</li> <li>• Catholic attitudes to nuclear war and the use of WMDs</li> <li>• Consequences of modern warfare: civilian casualties, refugees and environmental damage</li> <li>• Religion and belief as a reason for war and violence</li> <li>• Old Testament Biblical perspectives on war</li> <li>• Role of religion in 21st century conflicts</li> <li>• Pacifism</li> <li>• Biblical and contemporary perspectives on terrorism</li> <li>• Catholic views on the use of torture</li> <li>• Catholic views about radicalisation and martyrdom</li> <li>• Catholic perspectives on conflict resolution and peace making</li> </ul>