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Component 1: Foundational Catholic Theology	
Origins and Meaning	Good and Evil
<p><i>This theme must also be studied, where appropriate, from the Jewish religious tradition</i></p> <p>Catholic Beliefs and Teachings about the origin of the universe</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The concept of creation ex nihilo (out of nothing) in the writings of St. Augustine • Other Christian views on the origin of the universe (including 'fundamentalist/literal' views) • Non-religious views on the origin of the universe and human beings • Stephen Hawking's theory of the Big Bang • Scientific views about evolution – with reference to Charles Darwin and Richard Dawkins • St. Pope John Paul II's teachings on how evolution can be compatible with Catholic views about creation <p>Catholic beliefs about the origin and sanctity (sacredness) of human life</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The concept of imago Dei (made in God's image) in the writings of St. Catherine of Siena • Other Christian and non-religious views about sanctity of life • Different views on abortion • Humanist views on sanctity of life e.g. Peter Singer's views on 'speciesism' • Catholic responses to non-religious views <p>Beliefs: Creation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A comparison of the two creation accounts in Genesis (different representations of God and humans) • How the accounts of the creation of the universe influence Catholic beliefs about the nature of humans and their relationship with creation 	<p><i>This theme must also be studied, where appropriate, from the Jewish religious tradition</i></p> <p>Good, Evil and Suffering:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Catholic beliefs about the origin of evil • Original Sin and evil as a 'privation – from the teachings of St. Augustine • Other Christian views on the nature and origin of evil • Non-Christian views on the origin of evil • Moral and natural evil • Catholic beliefs about God's goodness and the goodness of his creation • Philosophical and non-religious challenges to the idea of God's goodness, power, free will and the existence of evil (e.g. J. L. Mackie's 'Inconsistent Triad' and the Irenaean/Hick Theodicy) • Catholic views on the meaning of suffering with reference to Christ's suffering and death and the prophecy in Isaiah chapter 53 <p>Beliefs: Trinity:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The nature of the Trinity as taught in The Nicene Creed (one God in three persons: Father, Son and Holy Spirit) • Bible teaching about the Trinity • Historical development of the beliefs about Trinity • St. Augustine's explanation of the Trinity of love, lover and beloved 6 This theme must also be studied, where appropriate, from the Jewish religious tradition <p>Beliefs: Incarnation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The belief in Jesus as God incarnate • The belief in Jesus as incarnate Son, divine Word, fully God and fully human • Teachings in Scripture: John 1:1-18 and Philippians 2:5-11 • The importance and significance of the belief in Jesus as God incarnate in

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<p>(the planet, environment, animal and plant life and other humans)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Humanist views on the importance of preserving the planet and the environment <p>Sources: The Bible:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Catholic understanding of the Bible as revelation and inspiration The structure and origins of Scripture The different literary forms (poetry, myth, symbolism, history, parable, letters etc.) Different Christian views and interpretations on the literary form of Genesis (literal, non-literal) <p>Forms: Paintings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The meanings expressed by Michelangelo's Creation of Adam in the Sistine Chapel regarding creation, God and humans. <p>Forms: Symbolism:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The use of symbolism and imagery in Christian art The meanings expressed by the Tree of Life Apse mosaic (Alpha/Omega, Chi-Rho, lamb, dove and four evangelists) The symbol of the cross as the tree of life with reference to Christ as the new Adam. <p>Practices: Loving and Serving in Catholic communities in Britain and elsewhere:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> How the belief in imago Dei influences Catholic Social Teaching in Gaudium et Spes on: - Justice - Peace - Reconciliation The role of the Catholic Church in inter-faith dialogue to promote understanding, respect, tolerance and harmony The work of one Catholic charity and one local Catholic charity in reflecting Catholic views about: - The dignity of humans - The importance of loving your neighbour - Respecting creation 	<p>responding to evil and suffering – St. Pope John Paul II Salvifici Doloris</p> <p>Sources: Jesus and moral authority:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The example and teachings of Jesus as the source of moral authority Jesus as the fulfilment of the Law as taught in Matthew 5-7 Natural Law (St. Thomas Aquinas) as evidence of God's goodness Conscience as evidence of God's goodness The role of suffering in the development of virtues <p>Forms: Sculpture and Statuary:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The meaning and significance of sculpture and statues to Catholic tradition and worship The importance of Michelangelo's Pieta as an example of a sculpture that expresses Catholic beliefs about God's goodness and the meaning of human suffering <p>Practices: Popular devotion as practised in Catholic communities in Britain and elsewhere:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The meaning and significance of pilgrimage for Catholics as responding to suffering Pilgrimage to Lourdes The Rosary as a reflection on the Incarnation, with particular reference to the Sorrowful Mysteries
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Component 2: Applied Catholic Theology	
Life and Death	Sin and Salvation
<p>Death and the afterlife:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Catholic teaching on the meaning of death • The importance of dying well • The importance of palliative care • Catholic teaching on assisted suicide AND euthanasia • Different views on the quality AND sanctity of life AND the 'right to die' • Catholic beliefs about life after death (1 Corinthians chapter 15) • Catholic beliefs about the resurrection of the body • Other Christian beliefs about the survival of the soul • Different views about death as the end of personal existence • <p>Beliefs: Eschatology:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Catholic teaching about heaven and hell • Parables about Judgement (Matt 18:21-35 & Luke 16:19-31) • Catholic teaching about Purgatory (1 Corinthians 3:11-15) <p>Sources: The Magisterium:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The nature of the Catholic Magisterium: ordinary & extraordinary forms: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Pontifical (Popes) - Conciliar (Councils) • Evangelium Vitae (65) • The nature, history and importance of the • Second Vatican Council • The four key documents of Second Vatican Council • <p>Forms: Artefacts:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Sarcophagus with Scenes of the Passion (in the Museo Pio Cristiano, Vatican, Rome) 	<p>Crime and Punishment:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The differences between crime and sin • Absolutist approaches to morality • Relativist approaches to morality • An evaluation of each of the different reasons for punishing criminals: - Retribution - Deterrence - Rehabilitation • Christian teachings about forgiveness and how they are interpreted differently (Matt 18:21-22 & Matt 6:14-15) • Catholic teaching about Capital Punishment (the Death Penalty) – reference to specific sources • Arguments for and against Capital Punishment – reference to specific sources • Non-religious views on Capital Punishment <p>Beliefs: Redemption:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The meaning AND significance of 'salvation' (being spiritually saved) for Catholics • The role of grace & human freedom in redemption (being redeemed) • Catholic beliefs about how the life, death, resurrection and ascension of Jesus brings salvation and redemption • Catholic beliefs about how it is possible to believe in Hell AND also to believe in an all-loving (omnibenevolent) and merciful God <p>Sources: Church:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The nature of the Church as: - One - Holy - catholic - Apostolic • Mary as a model of the Church • Different understandings of the Church as: - 'Body of Christ' - 'People of God' • The meaning of the claim 'outside the Church there is no salvation' – Catechism of the Catholic Church 846-848 6

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • how Christian beliefs about eternal life are shown in this artefact • How Christian beliefs about resurrection are • shown in the Paschal candle during: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Easter Vigil - A Catholic Baptism <p>Forms: Music and the funeral rite:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How Catholic beliefs about eternal life are expressed in Faure's Requiem • The Catholic Funeral Rite: symbols, prayers and texts • How these express Catholic beliefs about eternal life <p>Practices: Prayer within Catholic communities in Britain and elsewhere:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The significance of prayer ('raising heart and mind to God') • Formulaic (i.e. set, laid down in prayer books) prayers • Extempore (more spontaneous, prayers you say yourself) prayers • The Lord's Prayer • The meaning AND significance of praying for and offering Masses for the dead 	<p>Forms: Buildings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How the sacred objects within a church represent Catholic beliefs about salvation: - Altar - Font • How the architecture and position of Catholic churches help Catholics to worship AND reflect on the mystery of salvation <p>Practices: Sacraments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Catholic belief in the sacramental nature of all reality • The 7 Sacraments: - Names - Meanings - Effects • The meaning AND significance of sacraments and how sacraments effect salvation • The meaning and significance of the Eucharist ('the source & summit of Christian life') • The role of the Eucharist in a Catholic understanding of salvation <p>Practices: Mission and Evangelisation in Britain and Elsewhere:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Catholic teaching on the directive to evangelise (ref to specific sources) • Catholic beliefs about the relationship between faith and salvation • How these beliefs influence attitudes to mission & evangelisation: - Locally - Nationally - Globally • The benefits AND challenges of evangelising in Britain • The results of the 2011 census • The UK's Christian heritage; laws, festivals, traditions • The recognition and celebration of the festivals, beliefs and cultures of other religions • The recognition and celebration of non-religious views
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Component 3: Judaism	
Jewish Beliefs	Jewish Practices
<p>The nature of God</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • God as: One/Creator/Law-giver/Judge • The teachings about God in the Shema • Shekinah (nature and significance of God's Divine Presence) • Teachings in the sources of authority relating to the above. <p>Messiah (Mashiach)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The nature and role of Messiah in Orthodox Judaism • The nature and role of Messiah in Reform Judaism • Teachings in the sources of authority relating to the above. <p>Covenant</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The meaning and significance of the Abrahamic Covenant • The meaning and significance of the Covenant with Moses • The importance of the idea of a 'Promised Land' in both Covenants • The importance of the Ten Commandments • Teachings in the sources of authority relating to the above <p>Life on earth</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Beliefs and Teachings about sanctity of life (Pikuach Nefesh) in Judaism • The relationship between free will and duties to God and other people with particular focus on the 613 Mitzvot • Teachings in the sources of authority relating to the above. <p>The afterlife</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Beliefs and Teachings about life after death (death/ judgement/ resurrection/ soul/ focus on moral behaviour and its relationship to 	<p>Worship: practices in Britain and elsewhere</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The nature and importance of synagogue services, including Shabbat services, prayer and Amidah in Orthodox synagogues • The nature and importance of synagogue services, including Shabbat services, prayer and Amidah in Reform synagogues • Worship in the home, including Siddur/reciting Shema & Modeh Ani, mezuzah. • The importance of preparing for and celebrating Shabbat in the home. • Items worn for worship: tallith/tefillin/kippah • Teachings in the sources of authority relating to the above. <p>The Synagogue</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Features of different synagogues in Britain: bimah/aron hakodesh/Torah scrolls/ner tamid/seating/minyan • Worship, social and community functions of Orthodox synagogues in Britain • Worship, social and community functions of Reform synagogues in Britain • Teachings in the sources of authority relating to the above. <p>Festivals: practices in Britain and elsewhere</p> <p>The origins, meanings and celebrations of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rosh Hashanah • Yom Kippur • Pesach • Sukkot • Diversity of practice between different Jewish traditions in how these festivals are observed • Teachings in the sources of authority relating to the above.

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<p>the afterlife etc.) in Orthodox Judaism</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Beliefs and Teachings about life after death (death/ judgement/ resurrection/ soul/ focus on moral behaviour and its relationship to the afterlife etc.) in Reform Judaism• Teachings in the sources of authority relating to the above.			
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