

## Revision materials for Year 9 end of year long formal exam

### What will your exam look like?

Your exam will be based on information you have learned in RE since year 7 - your entire KS3 journey. This means that you will have to revise information from BOTH year 7 and year 8 as well as year 9. Your exam will be based on the following skills:

1. Recall - what facts and key information do you remember = /20 marks
2. Literacy - you will have to identify key words AND define key words = /20 marks
3. Knowledge and understanding - a short extended writing worth 5 marks where you will have to describe a topic you have studied using the PEE structure = /5 marks
4. Evaluation and analysis - a longer extended writing worth 15 marks where you will have to explain different viewpoints towards a topic and evaluate how weak or strong you think the arguments are = /15 marks

**The total paper will be out of /60 marks**

### What topics will be on the paper?

Year 9 topics	Year 8 topics	Year 7 topics
AT1: How can I believe in God?	AT1: Who is worthy?	AT1: What are big questions?
SPT1: What is the dignity of the human person?	AT2: What is Catholicism?	SPT1: How did everything get here?
SPT2: What happens when you die?	SPT1: How do I know what to do?	SPT2: What should we sacrifice?

Use your booklets, knowledge organisers and exercise books to help you prepare for this exam. You will need to know the answers to these key questions and the following key words:

#### Year 9 AT1: How can I believe in God?

- Do all Christians believe the same thing about the scientific theories of creation?
- What is prayer?
- How can we describe God?
- What is the Trinity?
- What does it mean to say Jesus is the incarnation?

Key word	Definition
Prayer	Raising of the heart and mind to God.
Incarnation	The belief that Jesus is God 'in flesh'.
Transcendence	God exists outside of time and space.

#### Year 9 SPT1: What is the dignity of the human person?

- Why do we have dignity?
- What is the Sanctity of Life?
- What is Catholic Social Teaching?
- What is euthanasia?
- What are the alternatives to euthanasia?

- Why are Catholics pro-life?

Key word	Definition
Abortion	A medical procedure of ending a pregnancy.
Hospice	A place that cares for the terminally ill.
Dignity	To be worthy of honour and respect.
Sacred	Means holy; something should be treated with great respect.
Imago Dei	Humans are made in the image of God.
Sanctity	Being sacred or holy
Euthanasia	The painless killing of someone who is suffering to help them to die with dignity.
Palliative care	The act of looking after people at the end of their lives.

### **Year 9 SPT2: What happens when you die?**

- What is eschatology?
- What do Christians believe about life after death?
- What is the Christian idea of judgement?
- What happens at a Catholic funeral?

Key word	Definition
Heaven	A state of being eternally in the presence of God after death.
Hell	Being eternally separated from God.
Purgatory	A place where the soul has gone to be cleansed of sins before heaven.
Resurrection	The rising of the dead at the last judgement; Jesus' resurrection when he rose from the dead.
Pall	Covers the coffin in a funeral.
Eschatology	Concerned with death, judgement and the final destination of the soul.

### **Year 8 AT1: Who is worthy?**

- Why do Catholic Christians go on pilgrimage to Lourdes specifically?
- How does the Catholic Church ask us to evangelise today?

Key word	Definition
Sacrament	A visible sign of God's invisible Grace
Pilgrimage	A spiritual journey to deepen and develop someone's faith in order to get closer to God
Evangelise	To spread the 'Good News', bringing the message of Jesus to others

### **Year 8 AT2: What is Catholicism?**

- What are the 3 sacraments of initiation?
- How is a font used in a Catholic Church?

- What is the key quote that explains the meaning of the Eucharist?
- What are the '4 marks' of the Church from the Nicene creed?

Key word	Definition
Body of Christ	The members of the Church who try to live like Jesus did and continue his work
Grace	God's unconditional love
Eucharist	'Thanksgiving' the Body and blood of Christ offered at mass
Transubstantiation	The process of turning the bread and wine into the body and blood of Christ
Catholic	'Universal' - A follower of the Catholic Church; the Pope is the leader of the Catholic Church.
Christianity	A religion whose followers believe in Jesus and read the Bible.

### Year 7 AT1: What are big questions?

- What is the Nicene creed?
- What Bible verse/quote supports the idea of Sanctity of life?
- What 3 sources of authority do Catholics use to help them know right and wrong?
- Why do Catholics believe they have free will?

Key word	Definition
Omnipotent	God is all-powerful
Omnibenevolent	God is all-loving
Sanctity of life	Life is sacred (holy) and belongs to God.
Immanent	God is involved in creation and we can have a personal relationship with him

### Year 7 SPT1: How did everything get here?

- What do Catholics think about the Big Bang and evolution?
- What did Pope Francis say in his Papal Encyclical 'care for our common home'?
- How can Catholics look after the environment both: **Locally/ Nationally?**

Key word	Definition
Laudato si	A letter (encyclical) written by Pope Francis to the world about how we should care for our common home
Ex Nihilo	Creation out of nothing
Imago dei	The belief that God made everyone in his image
Evolution	The way that living things change over time through the process of natural selection.

### Year 7 SPT2: What should we sacrifice?

- What are the days of Holy Week called in the Catholic Church?
- What event started the practice of the Eucharist in mass today?
- What are the stations of the cross?

Key word	Definition
Jesus Passion / the paschal mystery	This is the story of Jesus Christ's arrest, trial and suffering, death, and resurrection
Salvation	To be saved from sin through the suffering and death of Christ.

### Extended writing preparation:

#### What happens at a Catholic funeral?

The Catholic funeral service is based on the teachings of the Bible and reflects Christian views on God and the afterlife. The service is designed to honour the life of the deceased and commend their soul to God, but also to provide support to the bereaved. The funeral rite also allows the deceased to be treated with respect and shows that everyone is special to God.

A funeral is an important event because it affirms belief in the resurrection of the body, which is important in Catholicism, while bringing the community together. It also allows believers the opportunity to consider what will happen when they die and to think about whether they are leading the kind of life that will allow them to enter Heaven.

There are important things that happen at a Catholic funeral:

1. The **Reception of the Body** is when the body is taken to the Church to represent the person being taken back to God. At the church doors, the coffin is sprinkled with holy water as a reminder of the person's baptism. The coffin is placed beside the lit Paschal Candle and white cloth called a pall is placed over the coffin which reminds us that we are all equal in the eyes of God.
2. The **funeral Mass** is often called a requiem which is Latin for rest. The priest will wear purple or white as a sign of repentance and forgiveness from sins. There are Bible readings that are about Jesus' death and resurrection. A phrase that is used in the prayer is "Grant that he/she who was united with your Son in a death like his, may be one with him in his resurrection.
3. The committal is at the grave site of the deceased. A prayer is said that any sins the person has committed will be forgiven. The coffin is sprinkled with holy water as a reminder of baptism. The priest waves incense over the coffin to represent the prayers being offered up to God on behalf of the deceased. A prayer is said for the mourners.
4. At the grave or crematorium, the people say the Our Father and other prayers. The grave is sprinkled with holy water.

#### What are the different beliefs about ending a life?

Some people believe that people should be able to choose to end a life through abortion or euthanasia. These people may not think that life is sacred. They might think that if a person's quality of life is going to be poor when they are born it is ok for the woman to choose abortion or if a person's quality of life is poor during their life because they have a life-threatening illness, they should be able to choose when to die.

Arguments to support abortion:	Arguments to support euthanasia:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Abortion is legal up to 24 weeks.</li> <li>• It is the woman's body, so it is up to her and she has a right to choose.</li> <li>• It might be the most loving thing to end the life of an unborn baby if they are going to be born with a serious disability.</li> <li>• Jesus taught to 'love your neighbour' and</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• People should have a right to choose to die with dignity.</li> <li>• Quality of life is more important than sanctity of life. If a person has a poor quality of life they should be able to choose when to die.</li> <li>• It might be the most loving thing to do</li> </ul>

an abortion might be showing love to the woman or the unborn baby.

- Life does not begin until the baby is born therefore abortion is not murder.

and Jesus taught us to love one another.

- Euthanasia is legal in some countries.

### What do Catholics believe about ending a human life?

Catholics believe that all human beings are made imago dei because in Genesis 1 it says, "God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them." Catholics believe this means that all life is sacred and belongs to God, this is called the sanctity of life principle. Catholics believe it is wrong to take a life because it says in the 10 Commandments 'Do not kill.' Catholics also believe that we had a relationship with God before we were born because in Jeremiah it says "Before I formed you in the womb, I knew you." For these reasons Catholics believe abortion and euthanasia are wrong because they take a person's life.

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- The Roman Catholic Church believes that life begins at the moment of **conception** and that everyone has the right to life. They believe that abortion is morally wrong.
- Catholics believe in the **Sanctity of life**, the idea that life is sacred and a gift from God. It is to be protected and respected so murder is forbidden.
- Catholics believe that the right to life begins at the moment of conception and from that moment life should be respected and protected.
- Catholics believe all life is sacred - disabilities do not make life any less sacred.

#### **Catholics believe euthanasia is wrong because..**

Catholics human beings still have an inherent **dignity** even when their **quality** of life starts to disappear. Therefore, euthanasia is wrong.

- The Catholic Church is strongly against **euthanasia** as it goes against the sanctity of life.
- Catholics believe **euthanasia** goes against one of the Ten Commandments, 'Do not murder' and so should be avoided at all costs.
- Instead, Catholics think we should work to improve the **quality** of life of the person who is in pain. This can be done through **palliative care**, which we will look at in more detail next lesson.
- However, Catholics also think it is acceptable to turn off a life support machine if the medical evidence shows a person is brain dead, as life is believed to have reached its natural end at this point.

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