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Two hours

Instructions:

- *Answer **all** the questions.*
- *Write your **Index Number** in the space provided in the answer sheet.*
- *Instructions are given on the back of the answer sheet. Follow those carefully.*
- *In each of the questions **1** to **50**, pick one of the alternatives from (1), (2), (3), (4), (5) which is **correct** or **most appropriate** and **mark your response on the answer sheet with a cross** (×) in accordance **with the instructions given in the back of the answer sheet.***

1. What is the reason for the Old Testament being written in Hebrew and Aramaic languages?
   (1) Other languages being banned after the Babylonian exile
   (2) The use of Greek language although Palestine became a Roman state in 63 BC
   (3) Jewish people becoming accustomed to Aramaic language during the Babylonian exile
   (4) To make it easier for writing and studying
   (5) The Greek Emperor Alexander the Great invading Palestine in 333 BC

2. An important event in the public life of Jesus Christ related to the Plain of Esdraelon is
   (1) resurrecting the son of the widow of Nain.
   (2) turning water into wine at the city of Cana.
   (3) healing the ten lepers.
   (4) choosing the first disciples.
   (5) healing the paralytic.

3. Even though his previous kings had to engage in warfare, the time of which king, was a period of peace?
   (1) Saul (2) Solomon (3) David (4) Josiah (5) Zedekiah

4. The removal of the altar and all items related to pagan worship from the temple occurred during the
   (1) Persian era.
   (2) time of King Herod the Great.
   (3) Roman era.
   (4) time of King David.
   (5) Greek era.

5. At the beginning, man and animals eating food without meat reflects the
   (1) peacefulness of creation.
   (2) will of God.
   (3) will of the first parents.
   (4) dominion of creation.
   (5) priestly tradition.

6. There is a difference between the objective of science and the purpose of religion. The fundamental purpose of religion according to 2 Timothy 3:15 is
   (1) development of the world.
   (2) the salvation of man.
   (3) creating coexistence.
   (4) love for the neighbour.
   (5) explaining Theological truths.

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7. The **two** traditions that have contributed to the compilation of pre-history are
   (1) Yahwistic and Elohistic.
   (2) Deuteronomic and Priestly.
   (3) Yahwistic and Deuteronomic.
   (4) Yahwistic and Priestly.
   (5) Elohistic and Priestly.

8. According to Genesis 2:19, Adam naming all the animals means man's
   (1) dominion over them.
   (2) compassion for them.
   (3) ownership over them.
   (4) respect for them.
   (5) responsibility towards them.

9. Although the cause of the flood was heavy rain according to the Yahwistic tradition, what is the cause of the flood according to the priestly tradition?
   (1) Wickedness of man spread throughout the world
   (2) Rise of the water level of the sea
   (3) Flood caused by the springs burst forth from the earth
   (4) Deciding to destroy all creations corrupted by sin
   (5) Environmental issues resulted due to the destruction of nature

10. Who is the first person chosen by God on His own free will in relation to salvation history?
   (1) Noah (2) Abraham (3) Isaac (4) Jacob (5) Moses

11. Consider the following plagues.
   A - Frogs
   B - Gnats
   C - Plague on livestock
   D - Boils
   E - Storm hail
   F - Locusts
   From the above, what are the plagues sent by Moses after meeting the King Pharaoh and warning about what was going to happen in the future?
   (1) *A, B* and *C* only (2) *A, C* and *F* only
   (3) *B, D* and *E* only (4) *C, D* and *F* only
   (5) *D, E* and *F* only

12. An agreement made between two parties is called as a covenant. What is the Hebrew word for it?
   (1) Zegulagh (2) Goy Kadosh (3) Kohen (4) Berith (5) Mathetes

13. What is the name of the king of Damascus who fought against the Assyrian emporer?
   (1) Ahaz (2) Rezin (3) Pekah (4) Sennacherib (5) Saul

14. Who is the prophet related to the reigns of the three kings of Judah; Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah?
   (1) Isaiah (2) Jeremiah (3) Hosea (4) Ezekiel (5) Zedekiah

15. A genre of wisdom meant for the youth of elite class to train them targeting administrative sectors is
   (1) reflective wisdom.
   (2) wisdom related to everyday life.
   (3) practical wisdom.
   (4) royal court wisdom.
   (5) family and tribal wisdom.

16. Which book of the Holy Bible is used to sing as a response to the Word of God during the Holy Mass?
   (1) Book of Proverbs (2) Book of Ecclesiastes
   (3) Book of Psalms (4) Wisdom of Solomon
   (5) Song of Songs

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17. The governor of Galilee who acted in charge of the regions of Galilee and Perea was,
(1) Pontius Pilate.
(2) Julius Caesar.
(3) Philip the Tetrarch.
(4) Herod the Great.
(5) Herod Antipas.

18. Taking the need to highlight the proper social rights of women in Jewish society, as a background, Jesus said "Mary has chosen the good part"
(1) to appreciate her action.
(2) to underestimate Martha's action.
(3) because she was Lazarus's sister.
(4) because she served his apostles.
(5) because her sister ministered to him.

19. Consider the following facts.
A - Teaching
B - Offering sacrifices
C - Praying
D - Performing healings
E - Doing Meditation
F - Performing Rites and Rituals
From the above facts, the activities performed in the synagogue were
(1) *A, B* and *C.* (2) *A, B* and *D.* (3) *A, C* and *E.*
(4) *B, D* and *F.* (5) *D, E* and *F.*

20. Who emphasizes that the incarnate Jesus Christ is the Messiah the Jewish people were expecting?
(1) St. Paul (2) St. Luke (3) St. Mark (4) St. Matthew (5) St. John

21. A special incident that occurred during St. Paul's third journey was
(1) the imprisonment with feet fastened.
(2) St. Paul preaching that "gods made by hands are not gods".
(3) St. Paul seeing a vision.
(4) the jailer of the prison believing in the Lord.
(5) getting the opportunity to preach the gospel in Jewish synagogues.

22. What is the epistle aimed at confirming that St. Paul is the apostle sent by Jesus Christ Himself?
(1) Ephesians (2) Galatians (3) Romans
(4) 2 Corinthians (5) 1 Thessalonians

23. St. Matthew introduces Jesus Christ to the world who proclaimed the Kingdom of God as the
(1) Prince of Peace.
(2) righteous one.
(3) Divine Physician.
(4) Everlasting Father.
(5) Divine Teacher.

24. The parable which teaches that at the end, the righteous will be separated from the unrighteous and each will be given the appropriate reward is the parable of the
(1) Sower. (2) Mustard Seed. (3) Net.
(4) Treasure. (5) Pearl.

25. According to the prophet Isaiah, the greatest name before which everyone kneels is
(1) Saviour. (2) Redeemer. (3) Healer. (4) Physician. (5) Lord.

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26. The responsibilities received through anointing with 'Chrism Oil' at Baptism are
(1) Kingly, Prophetic and Servant.
(2) Priestly, Prophetic and Kingly.
(3) Priestly, Shepherdic and Kingly.
(4) Priestly, Prophetic and Servant.
(5) Prophetic, Shepherdic and Kingly.

27. It is mentioned that Jesus Christ is the Word of God as well as the Proclaimer of the Word of God in the
(1) Sinai Covenant.
(2) Calvary Covenant.
(3) Covenant with Noah.
(4) New Testament.
(5) Old Testament.

28. What is meant by 'physical preparation' before receiving the Holy Eucharist?
(1) Coming with cleanliness after bathing
(2) Having made a good confession
(3) Abstaining from all meals for at least one hour
(4) Being dressed in clean clothes
(5) Having dressed decently according to modesty

29. During which imperial era were the Priests, Bishops, and Popes exiled as slaves to work in the mines?
(1) Decius
(2) Trajan
(3) Maximinus
(4) Marcus Aurelius
(5) Septimius Severus

30. Select the option that includes the Apostolic Fathers only.
(1) Gregory of Nazianzus, Hermas, Athanasius
(2) Ambrose, Clement of Rome, Papias
(3) Ignatius, Gregory of Nazianzus, Hermas
(4) Polycarp, Augustine, Papias
(5) Clement of Rome, Polycarp, Hermas

31. Who is considered the most famous Church Father during the second century?
(1) St. Athanasius (2) St. Cyril (3) St. Jerome
(4) St. Justin (5) St. Augustine

32. What is the famous work of St. Jerome that became a precedent for writing biographies of Saints?
(1) The Apology
(2) Lives of Illustrious Men
(3) Dialogue with Trypho
(4) City of God
(5) Confessions

33. Tertullian prepared writings based on the subjects of Philosophy, Theology and Logic to
(1) criticize the luxurious life of the Holy Church.
(2) explain the Christian faith.
(3) show irregularities in religious teachings.
(4) protect the spiritual freedom of the Church.
(5) protect rites and rituals.

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34. 'A heresy' is defined as
(1) teachings contrary to the teachings of world religions.
(2) human behaviours opposed to the conditions of nature.
(3) teachings that are not in accordance with the teachings of the Holy Church.
(4) teachings contrary to accepted social ethics.
(5) teachings contrary only to the Old Testament.

35. Which is the option showing the years in order that the councils of Ephesus, Nicaea, Chalcedon and Constantinople were held?
A - 325 AD
B - 381 AD
C - 431 AD
D - 451 AD
(1) *A, B, C, D.* (2) *A, C, B, D.* (3) *B, C, D, A.*
(4) *B, A, D, C.* (5) *C, A, D, B.*

36. What is the option that includes only the Church Fathers who contributed to affirm the Theological Truths of the Holy Church by rejecting heretical ideas at the Council of Constantinople?
(1) Basil, Gregory of Nazianzus and Gregory of Nyssa
(2) Basil, Cyril and Athanasius
(3) Gregory of Nazianzus, Cyril and Flavian
(4) Gregory of Nyssa, Flavian and Basil
(5) Basil, Cyril and Gregory of Nyssa

37. What is the work of St. Augustine which mentions that man's true motherland cannot be invaded by any enemy?
(1) The City of God (2) The Way of Perfection (3) The Interior Castle
(4) The Dark Night of the Soul (5) The Living Flame of Love

38. What did the new alphabet and language introduced to the Slavic tribal people by St. Cyril contribute to build?
(1) Tradition (2) Culture (3) Rituals (4) Religion (5) Lineage

39. What was the reason for the outbreak of the first crusade under the leadership of His Holiness Pope Urban II?
(1) To bring about new reforms
(2) To protect the ruling power of the Vatican
(3) To recapture the Holy Land
(4) To protect the buildings associated with cathedrals
(5) To accumulate worldly wealth and resources

40. One of the main teachings of Martin Luther is that
(1) salvation at the end of life is received only through works of charity.
(2) all unlawful things should be rejected.
(3) being active is necessary for the spiritual growth of people.
(4) Christian Church should be consisted of the participation of all believers.
(5) a reformist alliance should be formed while remaining within the Church.

41. Portuguese who came to the East were encouraged by the "*Padroado*" System for
(1) social welfare.
(2) building health facilities.
(3) building schools.
(4) conquering countries and states.
(5) the propagation of religion.

42. The son of King Pararajasekeran received baptism in this country, later went to the city of Goa, and was ordained a Priest under the
(1) Franciscan Order. (2) Augustinian Order. (3) Jesuit Order.
(4) Dominican Order. (5) Order of Mary Immaculate.

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43. The initiation of the Western medical system and the establishment of hospitals began during the
(1) era before the arrival of the Portuguese.
(2) Portuguese era.
(3) Dutch era.
(4) British era.
(5) independence era.

44. A favourable characteristic of the Dutch ruling period was
(1) the implementation of the Magna Carta act.
(2) spreading Western languages and the education system within this country.
(3) ensuring the stability of marriage.
(4) organizing educational activities well.
(5) starting the registration of births and deaths.

45. Who appointed first lay leaders such as Annavi, Sacristan, and Muhuppu and paved the way to obtain their services for the church communities?
(1) Rev. Fr. Gonsalves
(2) Rev. Fr. Simeon de Coimbra
(3) Rev. Fr. John de Villa Conde
(4) Rev. Fr. Clement Miranda
(5) Rev. Fr. Joseph Vaz

46. What was the first missionary group representing the Church of England that arrived in this country in 1805 AD?
(1) London Missionary group
(2) Baptist Missionary group
(3) Wesleyan Missionary group
(4) American Missionary group
(5) Salvation Army Missionary group

47. Who proposed that every religion should have the permission to start and maintain schools?
(1) Rev. Fr. Joseph Sameria
(2) Rev. Fr. Don Peter
(3) Rev. Fr. Christopher Bonjean
(4) Rev. Fr. Peter Pillai
(5) Rev. Fr. Joseph Mary Bravi

48. The speciality of man that his dignity depends on is
(1) intelligence. (2) wisdom. (3) qualifications. (4) conscience. (5) position.

49. The cause for the horrific natural disasters that humans have to face today is the
(1) destruction of the environment.
(2) violation of rights.
(3) violation of development policies.
(4) escalation of the poverty level.
(5) use of technological tools.

50. What is the commission initiated by His Grace Michael Ramsey, Archbishop of Canterbury, and His Holiness Pope Paul VI?
(1) Inter-denominational Cooperation Commission
(2) Christian Church Unity Commission
(3) Scholakal Commission
(4) Commission of Propagation of Faith
(5) Anglican Roman Catholic International Commission

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Use additional reading time to go through the question paper, select the questions you will answer and decide which of them you will prioritise.

Instructions:
* *Answer **five** questions selecting **two** questions from* **Part I** *and **three** questions from* **Part II**.

Part I

1. (i) To whom did the helpless Israelite people complain in the face of king Pharaoh's pursuing army? (02 *marks*)

(ii) Mention the **two** signs of God's presence and guidance to Israelite people. (04 *marks*)

(iii) Describe **three** main occasions when the Israelite people groaned during the desert journey. (06 *marks*)

(iv) Explain **four** services you can perform for the society by the experience you receive through God's revelation to the chosen people in the Old Testament. (08 *marks*)

2. (i) In the Hebrew language, the prophet is called 'Nabi'. Write **two** meanings of that word. (02 *marks*)

(ii) Mention **two** characteristics of the mission of the early Prophets. (04 *marks*)

(iii) Describe **three** important facts declared by Prophet Nathan to King David, regarding Messiah. (06 *marks*)

(iv) Explain in **four** facts how you live out the Prophetic role you received in baptismal call in today's society. (08 *marks*)

3. (i) Write **two** reasons for why the history of Sri Lankan Church should be studied. (02 *marks*)

(ii) Mention **two** evidences that there were Christians in Sri Lanka before 1505 AD (before the arrival of the Portuguese). (04 *marks*)

(iii) Describe **three** requests of King Bhuvanekabahu VII, sent through his royal envoy to Lisbon in Portugal, in order to protect his kingdom. (06 *marks*)

(iv) Mention **four** services rendered by Oratorian Missionaries and explain in **four** facts how the present day missionaries should act accordingly. (08 *marks*)

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Part II

4. (i) Mention and explain **five** important facts about King Josiah. (10 *marks*)

(ii) Describe **five** steps that can be taken as a youth for national and religious harmony in building a united nation. (10 *marks*)

5. (i) Write the main purpose of the Gospel of John and describe **four** sources related to it. (10 *marks*)

(ii) Explain in **five** facts how you can apply the Gospel Writers' efforts to spread 'the Gospel of Christ' in a society of little faith. (10 *marks*)

6. (i) Describe the **five** objectives of the Sermon on the Mount. (10 *marks*)

(ii) Describe in **five** facts how you would act as the salt of the earth and the light of the world in a society where sordid traits and evil darkness reign in human hearts. (10 *marks*)

7. (i) Explain **five** privileges received with the edict issued in 313 AD. (10 *marks*)

(ii) Describe **five** actions that can be taken to strengthen the faith in God when facing life's challenges as modern Christians. (10 *marks*)

8. (i) Describe in **five** facts regarding Christian participation for human development based on the Holy Bible and Church teachings. (10 *marks*)

(ii) Explain **five** proposals you would make as a Christian, to bring about world peace in the modern world which is currently burning with the flames of war. (10 *marks*)

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