

## Confirmation 2024 dates and contents

Remember that you need to answer the questions below, on your Confirmation Google Classroom, before Saturday 11:55 AM prior to each Monday here indicated.

**Oct 30, 2023: #1-24**

**Believe**

**4 mins. VIDEO:** *The Myth Of The Multiverse*

- Q1 For what purpose are we here on earth?
- Q2 Why did God create us?
- Q3 Why do we seek God?
- Q4 Can we know the existence of God by our reason?
- Q5 Why do people deny that God exists, if they can know him by reason?
- Q6 Can we grasp God at all in concepts? Is it possible to speak about him meaningfully?

**Nov 6, 2023: #25-51**

**Creed, Father**

- Q1 What are some reasons why the Church has summarised key beliefs in the form of creeds?
- Q2 What are the two main creeds of the Church?
- Q3 Identify the core Christian belief about which the creeds elaborate.
- Q4 What point does the Creed stress by starting with “I believe” rather than “we believe”?
- Q5 According to #30, why can’t there be more than one God, the supreme or highest being?
- Q6 What is one consequence, according to #33, of the fact that God is love? How does he prove this?
- Q7 #35 states that we know that God is triune (the Trinity) from Jesus. How did Jesus reveal this?
- Q8 How, according to #36, does the fact that God *is love* from all eternity tend to point to the truth that God is not alone and solitary but a Trinity of persons?
- Q9 Why do we call God “Father”? Q10 Who is the Holy Spirit? Q11 How did the disciples come to recognize Jesus as the divine Lord and the second person of the Holy Trinity?

**Nov 20, 2023: #52-79; 98-112**

**Jesus**

- Q1 According to #63, what does it mean to say, “I have a soul”?
- Q2 Explain the relationship among sin, the rejection of good, and the rejection of God.
- Q3 Explain original sin, as described in #68. How does it differ for us from personal sin?
- Q4 How did God overcome the problem of human sin?
- Q5 What does Christ mean, according to #73, and how does it apply to Jesus?
- Q6 According to #76, God became man. What does #77 also tell us about Jesus?
- Q7 What does it mean to say that Jesus was born of the Virgin Mary? What is the significance of his conception in this way?
- Q8 #101 discusses Jesus’ crucifixion. Explain the significance of his death on a cross. Why crucifixion?
- Q9 Explain the case for the Resurrection of Jesus as summarized in #106.

**Nov 27, 2023: #113-136; 310-311**

**Holy Spirit, Church**

- Q1 According to #113 and 118-119, what role does the Holy Spirit play in the Church?
- Q2 Identify some of the titles we give to the Holy Spirit (#115).
- Q3 What place does the Holy Spirit have in the life of the individual believer (#120)?
- Q4 Why do you think the Holy Spirit sometimes gets overlooked when we think about God?
- Q5 Do you ever pray the Holy Spirit? If so, what sort of things do you pray to him about? If not, why not?
- Q6 Have you ever been in a situation in which you needed to rely on the Holy Spirit? Explain.
- Q7 According to #121, what are some different ways to describe the Church?
- Q8 Why did God establish the Church, and what is the Church’s mission (#122-123)?
- Q9 Explain how the Church is like a body (#126) and like a bride (#127).
- Q10 According to #129, how many churches are there?

Saturday Dec 2, 2023: **Special class with Sr. Cristina for those who didn't make their 1<sup>st</sup> Reconciliation.** 10:15 am to 12:00 pm at St. Theresa's Church OLGC Room (by the reception/office)

**Dec 4, 2023: #150-165; 193-212 Sacraments: Baptism; Confirmation; Eucharist;**

- Q1 How can a priest forgive sins (#150)?
- Q2 What happens at the death? What will happen to our bodies at the end of time (#1, 3, 156) ?
- Q3 What is purgatory (#159)? Q4 Is there a hell? If so, who goes there (#161-162)?
- Q5 Identify the 7 sacraments (#193).
- Q6 What are the 3 sacraments of initiation, and what unites them to one another (#193)?
- Q7 How is Baptism the "gateway" sacrament (#194; 199-200)?
- Q8 Why, do you think, is faith required for Baptism? Are there exceptions? Explain.
- Q9 Why don't individuals have to wait until they are old enough to choose Baptism for themselves?
- Q10 Should every baptized Catholic be confirmed? Explain.
- Q11 What is Confirmation, and what happens in Confirmation (#203; 205-206)?
- Q12 What is the Holy Eucharist? (#208)
- Q13 What does the word Eucharist mean, and why is it called this (see page 123 margin)?

Saturday Dec 9, 2023: **Special class with Sr. Cristina for those who didn't make their 1<sup>st</sup> Reconciliation** 10:15 am to 12:00 pm at St. Theresa's Church OLGC Room (by the reception/office). **In this day they will do their 1<sup>st</sup> Reconciliation**

**Dec 11, 2023: #224-271 Reconciliation; Anointing of the Sick; Holy Orders; Matrimony. (Video: Matrimony/why not divorce?)**

- Q1 Why did Christ institute 2 sacraments of healing (224; 226; 243)?
- Q2 If God alone forgives sins, how can a priest do so in the sacrament of Reconciliation (#228)?
- Q3 What is the seal of the confessional (#238)?
- Q4 Explain the positive effects of confession (#239).
- Q5 Explain why the Church cares for sick people (#241-242)
- Q6 Who may receive the Anointing of the Sick, and how does it work (#243-246)?
- Q7 What does it mean to be ordained Catholic priest (#249-250)
- Q8 Why celibacy? What's wrong with priests getting married (#258)?
- Q9 Why is marriage indissoluble (#263)?
- Q10 What threatens marriage; what renews marriage (#264)?
- Q11 How does a family, built on a sacramental marriage, become an island of living faith (#271, and the margins of pages 154-155)?

**Jan 8, 2024: #299-320; 337-342 Virtues; gifts; fruits**

- **Bring in your Saint name + 5 points to share about the Saint you have chosen!**

- Q1 How we do become virtuous people (#299-306)?
- Q2 What is faith, what is hope and what is charity (#305-309)
- Q3 What are the 7 gifts of the Holy Spirit (#310)?
- Q4 What are the 12 fruits of the Holy Spirit (#311)?
- Q5 How do we know God's mercy is one of his most important attributes (#313-314)?
- Q6 Are all sins the same in seriousness (#316)?
- Q7 What are vices (#318)? Q8 How are we saved (#337)?
- Q9 Discuss the mysterious reality of grace, and how it works in us (#338-339)

**Jan 15, 2024: #345-377 Precepts-Commandments**

- Q1 What does Jesus say we must do to have eternal life and to remain in Him (#348)?
- Q2 What are the 10 Commandments (#349 and the margins of pages 192-193)?
- Q3 What must be absolute priority in our life if we are to fulfill the destiny for which we are made: possessing truth and happiness (#352-353)?
- Q4 What is forbidden by the 1<sup>st</sup> Commandment (#355)?
- Q5 What is protected by the 2<sup>nd</sup> Commandment (#359)?
- Q6 Why do Christians make the Sign of the Cross (#360)?
- Q7 How and why do Christians make Sunday “the Lord’s day” (#364-365)?
- Q8 What does the 4<sup>th</sup> Comman. say about what we owe to our parents and others in rightful authority (#367; 371-373)?
- Q9 In God’s plan, how important is the family (#368-370)?

**Jan 22, 2024: #378-426 Commandments part. 2**

**video on Transgender**

- Q1 What does the 5<sup>th</sup> Commandment forbid and why (#378-379; 383)?
- Q2 What is peace (#395)? Q3 What is the significance of married love (#402)?
- Q4 How are the gifts of human sexuality and love related to one another (#402-404; 407)?
- Q5 What is the Church’s judgment on homosexuality, and how are we to truly love all persons, including those who describe themselves as homosexual (#415)
- Q6 What are the 4 essential elements of a Christian marriage (# 416-418)?
- Q7 Why does the Church support natural family planning and oppose contraception and sterilization (#418-421)?
- Q8 What is adultery? Can Catholics divorce (#424)?
- Q9 Why does the Church strongly urge us to resist the societal pressure for couples to live together without being married (#425)?

**Friday Jan 26 – Sunday Jan 28, 2023 WINTER RETREAT.** Fri sign in at St. Theresa 3:30 pm, back on Sun at 3:00 pm

**Feb 5, 2024: #426-447 Commandments part. 3** **The Service Hours Sheets has to be handed in by today Feb 5, 24**

- Q1 What is forbidden by the 7<sup>th</sup> Commandment (#428)?
- Q2 Are Christians obliged to become involved in politics and society (#440)?
- Q3 Explain the meaning of the principle “labor before capital”, espoused by St. John Paul II (#445).

**Feb 12, 2024: #448-468 Commandments part. 4**

- Q1 The 8<sup>th</sup> Commandment teaches us not to lie; what does our relationship to the truth have to do with our relationship with God (#452-453)? Q2 How strong must our commitment to the truth of the faith be (#454)?
- Q3 How confidential is the secret of the confessional (#458)?
- Q4 How can we achieve the “purity of heart” commanded by the 9<sup>th</sup> Commandment (#462-463)?
- Q5 How does one achieve “purity of heart” (#463)?
- Q6 Why is envy something we should fight against (#466)?

**Feb 26, 2024: #80-85+146-149; CCC 963-975 + 4 Marian dogmas** **Mary**

- Q1 According to #146, what is the communion of saints?
- Q2 #147 describes the Assumption; what happened to Mary at the end of her life?
- Q3 Can Mary really help us more than any other saint (#147-148)?

**Mar 4, 2024: #469-499 Prayer part 1**

- Q1 How would you define prayer (#469)?
- Q2 What prompts us to pray? Why are we moved to do so (#470)?
- Q3 How did Jesus pray, and how can we learn to pray from Him (#475-478)?

- Q4 What is an important lesson about prayer that we can learn from Mary (#479)?  
 Q5 What are the 5 main types of prayer (#483)? Q6 What does standing in prayer represent? What does kneeling represent (#486)?  
 Q7 What ....(philosophers, saints) say about prayer (pages 270-271 margins)?  
 Q8 What is the relationship between personal prayer and the prayer of the Church (#492)  
 Q9 List 3 of the characteristics of Christian prayer (#493).  
 Q10 Who helps us pray (# 496-497)? Q11 Where should we pray (#498)?

Saturday Mar 9, 2024: **Special class with Sr. Cristina for those who didn't receive their 1<sup>st</sup> Eucharist** 10:15 am to 12:00 pm at St. Theresa's Church OLG Room (by the reception/office).

Mar 11, 2024: #499-527 Prayer part 2

- Q1 What are the 3 ways of prayer, and what is presupposed by each of them (#500-503)?  
 Q2 Is prayer always easy or does it take effort (#505; 507-508; page 273 margin Mother Teresa of Calcutta)?  
 Q3 How does prayer connect us with reality (#509)?  
 Q4 Who taught the Our Father? Why (#511-512)?  
 Q5 What is the structure of the Our Father? How many petitions does it include (#513)?  
 Q6 Are we actually God's children? Is He really our loving Father (#515-517)?  
 Q7 Where is God the Father (#518)?  
 Q8 For what we are really asking when we say, "Hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on Earth as it is in Heaven" (#519-521)  
 Q9 When we ask for "our daily bread" in the Our Father what all are we asking for (#522-523; page 285 margin)?  
 Q10 How are the mercy we seek and the mercy we show others inseparable (#524)?  
 Q11 What do we mean when we ask the Lord to "lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil" (#525-526)?  
 Q12 What happens when a person says "Amen" to his prayer, especially the Our Father (#527)?

Saturday Mar 16, 2024: **Special class with Sr. Cristina for those who didn't receive their 1<sup>st</sup> Eucharist** 10:15 am to 12:00 pm at St. Theresa's Church OLG Room (by the reception/office).

Mar 18, 2024: Test Preparation

**We will go through the test page by page. After finish one page we will review, comment, explain together.**

Mar 25, 2024: Final Test

Sat. Apr 13, 2024 (10:00 am – 3:00 pm): Confirmation retreat **with sponsors and candidates.** (lunch offered)

Sunday April 14, 2024 at 3 pm Confirmation Mass, gathering down in the hall at 2:15 pm. *Cakes offered in the hall after mass to congratulate confirmands and rejoice together with all your friends and relative (There you will pick up your certificate)*