



## WHAT'S YOUR CATHOLIC IQ?

A Self-Assessment for Your Fun and Enlightenment

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See how much you know about your Catholic faith. Circle the letter next to the word or phrase that correctly completes each statement. Then check your answers with the answer key on page 54.

1. The rising smoke of incense symbolizes the lifting up of our

- (a) sins (b) prayers (c) temptations (d) curiosity

2. The petitions that we offer at Mass are referred to as the

- (a) General Assembly (b) General Absolution (c) General Intercessions (d) Major Intercessions

3. The Transfiguration of Jesus belongs to which set of Mysteries of the Rosary?

- (a) Luminous (b) Sorrowful (c) Joyful (d) Glorious

4. The election of a new pope is signaled by

- (a) dark smoke (b) white flags (c) white smoke (d) white roses

5. This saint is often depicted holding a staff from which lilies have blossomed.

- (a) Jerome (b) John (c) James (d) Joseph

6. Which of the following is *not* considered an Abrahamic religion?

- (a) Judaism (b) Buddhism (c) Islam (d) Christianity

7. The body of laws and legal principles that guide the life of the Catholic Church is known as

- (a) Civil Law (b) Roman Law (c) Canon in D Major (d) Canon Law

8. Religious congregations whose members go barefoot or wear sandals are referred to as

- (a) Discalced (b) Disgraced (c) Disgruntled (d) Diaspora

9. During the Preparation of the Gifts, the priest washes his hands as an expression of his desire for

- (a) sanitized hands (b) inner purification (c) the Holy Spirit (d) the washing away of Original Sin

10. The Acts of the Apostles describes the first Church council known as the Council of

- (a) Ephesus (b) Chalcedon (c) Jerusalem (d) Bethlehem

11. The celebration of All Saints on November 1 is technically considered a

- (a) memorial (b) feast (c) solemnity (d) holiday

12. The following hymn is attributed to Thomas Aquinas

- (a) *Panis Angelicus* (b) *Habeas Corpus* (c) *Regina Coeli* (d) *Pange Lingua*

13. Which Apostle's feast is the last one celebrated during the Church's liturgical year?

- (a) Peter (b) Andrew (c) Matthew (d) Thomas

14. A traditional form of prayer that includes many petitions followed by the repetition of a response such as "pray for us" or "Lord, have mercy" is known as a

- (a) canticle (b) prologue (c) litany (d) chaplet

15. According to the *Catechism*, love and hatred, desire and fear, joy, sadness, and anger are known as the

- (a) Seven Deadly Sins (b) virtues (c) evangelical counsels (d) principal passions

16. Within the Sacrament of Holy Orders, the following is *not* included:

- (a) acolyte (b) deacon (c) priest (d) bishop

17. In Hebrew, the name Jesus means

- (a) God with us (b) God is coming (c) God saves (d) Jesse's Son

18. Who accompanied Paul and Barnabas on their first missionary journey?

- (a) John Mark (b) Mark John (c) Timothy (d) Apollos

19. As the priest prepares to proclaim the Gospel at Mass, he bows before the altar and silently prays, "Almighty God, cleanse my heart and my lips that I may \_\_\_\_\_ proclaim your Gospel."

- (a) speedily (b) effectively (c) worthily (d) enthusiastically

20. Who comes next? Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, \_\_\_\_\_.

- (a) Seth (b) Esau (c) Joseph (d) Ishmael

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