



WHAT'S YOUR CATHOLIC IQ?

A Self-Assessment for Your Fun and Enlightenment

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This multiple-choice exercise can be a fun review for you, your students, and your students' families. Circle the letter next to the word or phrase that correctly completes each statement. Then check your answers with the answer key on page 55. Have fun and learn.

1. At Sunday Mass, the First Reading is generally taken from the

- (a) Old Testament; (b) documents of the Church; (c) New Testament; (d) Gospels

2. Before the Gospel at Mass, Catholics trace the sign of the cross with their thumb over their

- (a) eyes, ears, mouth; (b) head, hands, feet; (c) forehead, lips, chest; (d) scalp, shoulders, hands

3. Jesus asked the question, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" in the region of

- (a) Galilee; (b) the Decapolis; (c) Capernaum; (d) Caesarea Philippi

4. The Sermon on the Mount is found in Matthew; the Sermon on the Plain is found in

- (a) John; (b) Luke; (c) Mark; (d) Exodus

5. The first bishop of the United States was

- (a) George Mundelein; (b) James Gibbons; (c) John Neumann; (d) John Carroll

6. The religious community founded by Saint Angela Merici is the

- (a) Ursulines; (b) Daughters of Charity; (c) Poor Clares; (d) Sisters of Mercy

7. Which of the following is NOT one of the four marks of the Church?

- (a) holy; (b) one; (c) ecumenical; (d) apostolic

8. The teaching authority of the Church is called the

- (a) Sacrament; (b) Secretariat; (c) Magisterium; (d) Mysterion

9. The first three virtues are called the *theological* virtues; the last 4 are called the _____ virtues.

- (a) corporal; (b) spiritual; (c) evangelical; (d) cardinal

10. Along with blessing and adoration, intercession, thanksgiving, and praise, the following is considered one of the basic forms of prayer:

- (a) petition; (b) remembrance; (c) lamentation; (d) sorrow

11. *Signum Crucis* is Latin for

- (a) Stations of the Cross; (b) Sign of the Cross; (c) Sins of Omission; (d) Christ Crucified

12. The Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross is celebrated on

- (a) March 19; (b) August 15; (c) September 14; (d) the last Sunday in Ordinary Time

13. The Latin translation of the refrain, "Come Holy Spirit" is

- (a) *Veni Sancte Spiritus*; (b) *Adeste fideles*; (c) *Venite adoremus*; (d) *Salve Regina*

14. Before becoming Pope Benedict XVI, Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger was Prefect of the Congregation for the

- (a) Clergy; (b) Divine Worship; (c) Propagation of the Faith; (d) Doctrine of the Faith

15. A *lavabo* set refers to

- (a) the kit a priest carries for anointing the sick; (b) the small vessels used for the washing of the priest's hands at Mass; (c) a chalice and paten set; (d) the metal vessels used for burning incense

16. A devotion that consists of a prayer said on nine successive days is called a

- (a) novena; (b) dispensation; (c) vespers; (d) posadas

17. Canon Law requires sacramental confession before

- (a) confirmation; (b) holy orders; (c) matrimony; (d) First Communion

18. Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger was elected Pope Benedict XVI in

- (a) 2000; (b) 2005; (c) 2007; (d) 1999

19. The set of mysteries for the Rosary proposed by Pope John Paul II in 2002 is called the _____ Mysteries.

- (a) Joyful; (b) Corporal; (c) Theological; (d) Luminous

20. In the sacrament of the anointing of the sick, the sick person is anointed with oil on the

- (a) forehead and hands; (b) lips and chest; (c) hands and feet; (d) eyes and ears

Now compare your answers with the key on page 55.

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