

# Formation Toward Christian Ministry (FTCM)

## Catholic Beliefs

### Session 2 – Make Up

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Location Registered: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Original Class: \_\_\_\_\_

*I have personally read all of the required reading, viewed the make-up video, and completed the following worksheets.*

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

## **Catholic Beliefs – Lesson 2 – Worksheet 1**

What comes to mind when you hear the phrase “Doctrine of Creation”? Is this something with which you are familiar? Comfortable? Is a Catholic approach any different from other Christian traditions?

Write about a paragraph.

## **Catholic Beliefs – Lesson 2 – Worksheet 2**

With reference to CCC 299-301, 337-343 and *Being Catholic* – Part One Chapter 2

- (a) Does the assertion that God created all things, visible and invisible, require that we accept a literalistic reading of either (or both) of the stories in the first two chapters of Genesis? Why or why not?

- (b) What are the key theological elements of the Doctrine of Creation?

- (c) How is the Doctrine of Creation related to the idea of Divine Revelation?

### **Catholic Beliefs – Lesson 2 – Worksheet 3**

With reference to *CCC* 302-308, 356-358 and *Being Catholic* – Part One Chapter 3

(a) Is God's creative activity over?

(b) What is meant by the term "Divine Providence"?

(c) What role, if any, does humanity have in the process of creation?

## Catholic Beliefs – Lesson 2 – Worksheet 4

With reference to CCC 356-379 1700-1709 and *Being Catholic* – Part One Chapters 2-3

- (a) What does it mean to say that human beings are made “in the image and likeness of God”?
- (b) What is meant by the assertion to human beings are a unity of body and soul?
- (c) What is the relationship between maleness and femaleness in God’s creation of humanity?
- (d) What is God’s intended destiny for humanity? For each human person?

## Catholic Beliefs – Lesson 2 – Worksheet 5

With reference to CCC 309-311, 386-390, 1849-1851 and *Being Catholic* – Part One Chapter 4

(a) What is sin?

(b) What is meant by the term “Original Sin”? How is Original Sin distinct from but related to personal sins?

(c) The “Problem of Evil” can be summarized as: “If God is all good and God is all powerful, why does God allow evil to exist?” How does an understanding of sin help in beginning to make sense of the mystery of evil?

## **Catholic Beliefs – Lesson 2 – Worksheet 6**

With reference to *CCC* 619-623, 1996-2005 and *Being Catholic* – Part One Chapters 8-9

(a) What is meant by the term “grace”?

(b) What is meant by the term “redemption”?

(c) What is meant by the term “salvation”?

## **Catholic Beliefs – Lesson 2 – Worksheet 7**

Provide a Catholic definition of each of the following: Creation, Sin, Grace.

## **Catholic Beliefs – Lesson 2 – Worksheet 8**

Write about a paragraph answer to at least one of the following questions:

1. Given the Doctrine of Creation and God's gift to humanity of the special role of co-creator, what personal responsibility do you have with regard to environmental issues? What concrete steps have you, will you, or ought you to undertake in your personal life? For what corporate steps should you be advocating and supporting?
2. In what concrete ways do you see God's plan of salvation and redemption at work in your life?