



## CLASS X

### MID-TERM EXAMINATION -2024

#### ANSWER KEY

#### 1. CHOOSE THE CORRECT ANSWER (10 x 0.5 = 5marks)

1. Which Book of Pentateuch exhibits significant similarities with the second book of Psalms?

- (a. Genesis,                      b. **Exodus**,                      c. Leviticus)

2. What is the main subject matter of the Deuteronomic tradition?

- (a. **Order of Worship**,                      b. Order of Praise,                      c. Order of sacrifice)

3. Term used to identify the letters written by St. Paul during his time of imprisonment in Rome

- (a. Initial letters,                      b. **Captivity letters**,                      c. Pastoral epistles)

4. Who established the church of Colossia?

- (a. Philemon,                      b. Onesimus,                      c. **Epephras**)

5. Which book of Psalms is known as Anthems of Praise?

- (a. The second book,                      b. The Fifth Book,                      c. **The Fourth book**)

6. In the second letter to Thessalonians, whom did St. Paul name as co-writers along with him?

- (a. **Silas and Timothy**,                      b. John and James                      c. Mathew and Mark)

7. During the Holy Eucharist, when is the First Greeting of Peace usually exchanged?

- (a. Before the reading of the Old Testament,                      b. **Before the reading of the Gospel**  
c. Before the reading of the Act of Apostles)

8. Which term did St. Paul use to describe himself in his Letter to the Romans?

- (a. As the messenger to the Jews,                      b. As the disciple of Jesus,                      c. **As the Apostle of Gentiles**)

9. With whom did St. Paul dispatch the Letter to Romans?

- ( a. **Phubia**                      b.Loïs                      c.Eunice)

10. Name the term of three personalities of God, which include the Holy Father, the Holy Son, and the Holy Spirit, all of whom are considered equal.

- (a. Almighty,                      b. **Knuma**,                      c.Messiah)



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## II. FILL UP THE BLANKS

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1. St. Paul called **Timothy** a “true son of faith”, “God’s man”, “son”, dear son, and a faithful Christian.
2. The Churches that did not accept the dyophysite theory are known as **Oriental Orthodox Churches**.
3. **Psalms** are prayer songs that emerged out of the conditions of life faced by Israelites.
4. **Emperor Theodosius** was the convenor of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Council at Constantinople in AD 381.
5. St. Paul appreciates Timothy, for being a **mediator** between him and the Church of Thessalonica.
6. **The Sadducees**, who did not believe in the resurrection of Jesus Christ, which was the strongest driving force behind Christianity, became the enemies of Christians.
7. St. Paul wrote the letter to **Ephesians** from the prison of Rome, which was sent along with Tuhikos.
8. The **Letter to Philippians** doesn’t have any reference to the Old Testament.
9. The Holy Church prescribes mandatory use of the Divine Liturgy of **St. James**, for the Holy Mass during occasions such as the feasts of our Lord. (Moranaya Perunnal).
10. In the Book of **Pentateuch**, the most sublime of all these promises, is the promise of Canaan, the land where milk and honey flow.

## III. MATCH THE FOLLOWING

(5 x 0.5 = 2.5 marks)

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| 1. The fifth book of Psalms    | A. Pope, Supreme head of the Catholic Church (5) |
| 2. Thessalonica                | B. The Episcopo of Crete (3)                     |
| 3. St. Titus                   | C. Saloniki (2)                                  |
| 4. Lahmo                       | D. Ezra and Nehemiah (1)                         |
| 5. Proclamation of Christology | E. Leavened Bread (4)                            |

## IV. STATE TRUE or FALSE

(5 x 0.5 = 2.5 marks)

1. The first phase of the Salvific mission or redemption of mankind through Christ, is depicted in Pentateuch **True**
2. St. John clarifies to the people of Thessalonica about the second coming of Jesus Christ and advises them to live accordingly. **False**
3. Onesimus escapes through grace, though he deserves punishment, according to the law. **True**
4. Timothy’s family got converted to Christianity due to the missionary work of St. Peter in Lucre. **False**
5. Though the Holy Sacrifice is being performed in the Church on the Earth, its actual celebration and acceptance is in Heaven. **True**



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## V. SHORT NOTES (3 or 4 SENTENCES)

(5 x 2 = 10 marks)

1. What are the five groups into which Psalms containing references to Christ can be divided?

### ANSWER:

1. Psalms that contain direct reference to Christ
2. Psalms that directly prophesy about Christ
3. Psalms that allegorically tell about Christ
4. Psalms that indicate the second coming
5. Psalms that are fulfilled in Christ

2. When did St. Paul realize that his end is near? State the bold verses by St. Paul when he realized that his end was near (write the verses with the reference from the Holy Bible)

### ANSWER:

- While writing the second letter to Timothy, St. Paul knew that his end was near. (0.5 marks)
- These are the words he writes with a lot of boldness and faith.

“For I am already being poured out like a drink offering, and the time for my departure is near. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. Now there is in store for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will award to me on that day and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing.” (2 Timothy 4:6 - 8) (1.5 marks)

3. Explain the manifestation of all three Persons of the Trinity during the baptism of Jesus Christ

### ANSWER:

While Jesus Christ was getting baptized, we can see the presence of all the three Knuma of the Trinity. (St. Mathew 3:16-17) (0.5 marks)

1. The **words of the Holy Father** were **heard**. (0.5 marks)
2. The **Holy Son** was **physically present** there. (0.5 marks)
3. The **Holy Spirit** **descends** upon **the Holy Son** **as a dove**. (0.5 marks)

4. What does the veil ‘Shushafo’ signify on the altar which covers Paten and Chalice? Name the first benediction in Holy Qurbana.

### ANSWER:

The veil signifies:

1. The great sheet lowered from Heaven to Apostle St. Peter (0.5 marks)
2. The stone placed at the door of our Lord’s tomb (0.5 marks)
3. The rock of flint that sprung twelve streams for the twelve tribes of Israel (0.5 marks)

The first benediction in the Holy Qurbana is **Trinitarian Benediction** (0.5 marks)



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5. What declaration was made during the Ecumenical Council convened in Ephesus in A.D.431? Who presided over this council?

**ANSWER:**

1. Jesus Christ, the Son of God was a single person with a single nature that was fully human and at the same time fully divine. (1 mark)
2. It was right to refer Virgin Mary as the mother of God (0.5 marks)
3. Mar Koorilose presided over this council (0.5 marks)

**VI. WRITE LONG ANSWERS**

**(Answer any TWO (2 x 5 = 10marks))**

1. Name the **four traditions** in the **Pentateuch**. Elucidate “Priestly tradition”

**ANSWER:**

The four traditions are:

- a. Yahwist tradition, (0.25 marks)
- b. Elohist tradition, (0.25 marks)
- c. Deuteronomic tradition (0.25 marks)
- d. The Priestly tradition (0.25 marks)

**The Priestly Tradition** (0.5 marks each 2 marks)

- a. The **priests** of both northern and southern Kingdoms **played** a vital role in **preserving the ancient tradition of Israel**.
- b. The people of Israel, after their return from the Babylonian captivity, had to revive the faith of their forefathers and follow **the order of worship** followed by their ancestors.
- c. The Priestly tradition is a **code of conduct formulated by the priests**.
- d. The letter ‘**P**’ represents this tradition. ‘**P**’ starts with the **history of creation**.

Genesis 1:2 - 4a is found in ‘P’ alone. (The following passages are recorded in ‘P’ alone. Genesis 5:1-32, 9:1-17, 36:1-37, Exodus 1:15, 6:27: 13, Leviticus 11:27-34, Numbers 1:1-10:28, Deuteronomy 32:1-52.)

**Period of Composition** (2 marks)

- a. This must have been **written in the 6th and 5th centuries B.C.**
- b. Some of it must have been **written during their captivity in Babylon** and the rest in **Jerusalem in the Southern Kingdom**.
- c. It aims at **inculcating a life of worship** or devotional life.
- d. The main **personalities** mentioned in this tradition are **Adam, Noah, Abraham, and Moses**.



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## 2. How does the Letter to the Colossians portray Jesus Christ? (0.5 marks for each point)

Write the related references from the Holy Bible.

### ANSWER:

Christ in the letter to Colossians (1:14 – 20) (2:13 – 15, 3:1)

1. One who gave us salvation and saved us from sin.
2. The image of God
3. First among all creations.
4. Everything was created through Him.
5. Existed before everything.
6. Everything continues to exist through Him.
7. Leader and the first to get resurrected from the dead.
8. Body whose head is Christ. Every completeness exists in Him
9. Father united the earth and heaven through the blood Jesus shed on the cross.

## 3. Describe the following

- a. The reason for the transition happened with Emperor Constantine
- b. Benefits the church experience under Emperor Constantine's rule.

### ANSWER

#### a) The reason for the transition happened with Emperor Constantine (2 marks)

- a. After the **death of Emperor Diocletian**, the Roman **Empire was divided**. (0.25 marks)
- b. Constantine, who was the **chief of the army**, became ruler of **one part of the empire**. (0.25 marks)
- c. During a war, Constantine **saw the sign of the cross in the sky in a vision**, while crossing the **Milvian Bridge**, and **heard the voice, “With this, you will win”**. (0.5 marks)
- d. Constantine **believed in the vision** and **got the sign of the cross marked on all weapons and flags** (0.5 marks)
- e. Following his vision thus he **won the war**. (0.25 marks)
- f. Later he **became the emperor** of the whole of the **Roman Empire**. (0.25 marks)

#### b) Benefits the church experience under Emperor Constantine's rule

- a. Emperor Constantine **removed all the restrictions imposed on Christians** by his predecessors and **made a proclamation** in the town of **Milan** in Italy. (0.5 mark)
- b. This historically important ‘**Edict of Milan of AD 313**’, declared **complete religious freedom** to all the people in the country. (0.5 mark)
- c. All **Sundays** were **declared public holidays**. Following this, Christians started their day worship on Sundays. (0.5 mark)
- d. Later **Emperor Constantine became a Christian** and the best thing he did for the growth of the church was to **conduct the first ecumenical council in AD 325** in the city of **Nicaea in Asia Minor** (part of modern Turkey). (1 mark)
- e. From different **parts of the world 318 bishops attended the various meetings of the council**. (0.5 mark)





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4. Write a paragraph about Anaphora, the sacrificial service.

## ANSWER

The anaphora is the most significant part of the Holy Eucharist. (0.5 marks)

- a. **Only the faithful who have received the holy baptism** are eligible to take part in the anaphora. This part of the Holy Mass is **also referred to as the mystery of the Holy Eucharist**. (1. mark)
  - b. The **great mystery** by which the **bread** and **wine** that is **offered in the Holy Eucharist** become the **flesh** and **blood** of our **Lord Jesus Christ** takes place during **the anaphora**. (1 mark)
  - c. The **mystery** that the **offered bread** and **wine** have become the **flesh and blood of Lord Jesus Christ** while continuing to remain as bread and wine is **perceivable only to eyes of faith**. (1 mark)
  - d. The **unbelievers** and the **infidels cannot recognize this mystery**. (0.5 mark)
  - e. Therefore, the Holy Church allows **only the faithful to take part** in the **anaphora** and the **subsequent parts of the Holy Eucharist**. (1 mark)
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