

1. When the pregnant Blessed Mother showed up at Elizabeth's house, Elizabeth's baby leaped inside her womb. Who was the baby?
 - a. ANSWER: St. John the Baptist was the baby!
 - b. St. John the Baptist would grow up to baptize people in the Jordan River as he prepared the world for the Messiah. Upon Mary's arrival at Elizabeth's house, Mary gave those famous words now known as the "Magnificat." (Luke 1:46-55)

2. What does the water of Baptism wash away from a baby's soul?
 - a. ANSWER: Original sin!
 - b. The sin we inherited from Adam and Eve is washed away in Baptism. The grace of God then fills the baby's soul, making him or her compatible with eternal life with Jesus in heaven. If we are baptized as an adult, then we are cleansed not only from original sin but also from all personal sins we have committed up to that point! If we sin after Baptism, we go to Confession.

3. What does the name "Benedict" mean?
 - a. ANSWER: Blessing The name "Benedict" means "blessing."

4. What does it mean if a priest has the initials "S.J." after his name?
 - a. ANSWER: He is a Jesuit!
 - b. Jesuits belong to the Society of Jesus. Founded in the 16th century, the Jesuits are today the largest religious order of the Church, numbering 20,000 priests and brothers around the world.

5. What is harder than for a camel to go through the eye of a needle?
 - a. Answer: for a rich man to enter the kingdom of heaven

6. True or False: Mary Magdalene is a saint?
 - a. ANSWER: TRUE!
 - b. Mary Magdalen is in heaven.

7. On which of the 6 days of Creation did God create the Sun and the moon?
 - a. Answer 4th

8. What powerful king did Pope Leo the Great convince not to conquer Rome in 452 A.D.?
 - a. ANSWER: Attila, King of the Huns.
 - b. Pope Leo the Great helped prevent the attack

9. How many books make up the catholic New Testament?
 - a. ANSWER 27 books of the New Testament

10. Who would you have to be in order to confer the Sacrament of Holy Orders upon a new priest?
 - a. ANSWER: A bishop!
 - b. Bishops possess the highest level of ordination. Priests are second, and deacons are third.

11. What continent has the highest Catholic population?
 - a. ANSWER: South America
 - b. South America has 310,536,000 Catholics. Add in the Catholics from Central America, Mexico, the Caribbean, Spain and the U.S., and that means Spanish is the number-one language spoken by Catholics!

12. At the Transfiguration Jesus spoke to Moses and Elijah. Name 2 of the 3 disciples that witnessed this event.
 - a. Answer: Peter, John, and James

13. Who presided over the Council of Jerusalem in 51 A.D.?
 - a. ANSWER: St. Peter
 - b. The council “decreed that circumcision, dietary regulations, and various other prescriptions of Mosaic Law were not obligatory for Gentile converts to the Christian community,” according to Our Sunday Visitor’s Catholic Almanac, p. 218)

14. How was St Peter martyred?
 - a. ANSWER: Peter was crucified upside-down

15. True or False: If you cannot drive, you can confess over the phone.

- a. ANSWER: False.
- b. A requirement of the Sacrament is that it be in person. No e-mails or calls will do. A priest would be happy to come to your home if you are sick.

16. For how many years was John Paul II the pope?

- a. ANSWER: 26 ½ years
- b. John Paul was elected pope in October 1978 and died April 2005. The longest papacy was that of Pope Pius IX, who was pope for 32 years (1846-1878)

17. Two years ago Oregon State Football team defeated then number one USC. The night before the game star wide receiver and team captain Sammy Stroughter used a story from the Bible to inspire his teammates. What story was it?

- a. David vs. Goliath

18. The Bible teaches that some people will not have to die. Which people?

- a. ANSWER: The people who are living on Earth at the time of the Second Coming.
- b. Those who are living when Jesus comes again on the Last Day of the Earth (Judgment Day) will not have to die. Their live bodies will be taken along with their live souls right into heaven or hell.

19. In Iraq, some Masses are still said in the native language of Jesus. What language is that?

- a. ANSWER: ARAMAIC
- b. The native language of Jesus was Aramaic. The language of trade was Greek.

20. Who was the primary author of the first five books of the Old Testament?

- a. ANSWER: MOSES
- b. Moses was the primary author of the Pentateuch. The Pentateuch consists of the first five books of the Old Testament: Genesis, Exodus, Deuteronomy, Leviticus and Numbers.

21. True or False Was Philip one of the original Twelve Apostles?

- a. Answer True

22. Before Jesus ascended into heaven, He told his Apostles not to scatter until a big event happened. What event?

- a. ANSWER: They needed to wait for the Holy Spirit.
- b. Just before Jesus was lifted into heaven on a cloud before his disciples' eyes, Jesus told His Apostles to stay in Jerusalem because the Holy Spirit was going to come to them.

23. Who was the first monk to become pope?

- a. ANSWER: Pope Gregory the Great, who reigned from 590 to 604 A.D.

24. True or False: If you have not yet been baptized and you are dying, you can get any friend to baptize you.

- a. ANSWER: TRUE!
- b. If no priest could reach you in time, anyone can baptize you. A valid Baptism is accomplished as long as 1) the person uses water (not soda, oil, etc.) and 2) the correct words are said: "I baptize you in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit." Believe it or not, even a Buddhist or an atheist can validly baptize you should the need arise.

25. What is the 9th Station of the Cross

- a. Answer: Jesus falls a third time

26. What is the outer garment a priest wears while celebrating Mass?

- a. Answer: Chasuble

27. Which Apostle do the Gospels mention more than all the others put together?

- a. Answer. Peter

