

1. What country boasts the highest Catholic population?
 - a. ANSWER: BRAZIL
 - b. Brazil, the largest country in South America, has 151,244,000 Catholics. Portuguese is the main language in Brazil. Mexico is the country with the second highest Catholic population: 89,664,000. There are 67,820,833 Catholics in the United States

2. In what city did Jesus perform his first miracle (changing water into wine)?
 - a. Answer: Cana

3. What was the occupation of St. Luke, who was one of the four Gospel writers?
 - a. ANSWER LUKE was a DOCTOR

4. Who told Mary to name her Son Jesus?
 - a. ANSWER: The Angel Gabriel
 - b. The Biblical account of the Annunciation can be found in Luke 1:26-38)

5. How many books make up the catholic Old Testament?
 - a. ANSWER 46 books in the Old Testament

6. What is the only thing that can keep you from going to heaven?
 - a. ANSWER: Mortal sin.
 - b. If you committed a mortal sin at some point in your life, and you are sorry, mosey on over to confession next Saturday and confess it to those to whom Jesus entrusted his own authority to forgive sins. Jesus breathed on the first leaders of the Church and said to them, "Receive the holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained." Those leaders (the Apostles) then passed this authority down to their successors, who kept on passing down this authority to the leaders of the Catholic Church today!

7. What gesture should the faithful make just before receiving Communion?
 - a. ANSWER: B. Bow one's head.
 - b. This is the current regulation. Some folks have not heard it yet, so spread the word! The gesture simultaneously honors the Lord and serves as a sign of unity with the rest of the Church, which makes up the indivisible Body of Christ.

8. How was St Paul martyred?
 - a. ANSWER: St Paul was beheaded.

9. On which of the 6 days of Creation did God create the earth and seas?
- Answer 3rd
10. What was the name of Jesus' grandmother?
- ANSWER: St. ANNE!
 - ST. ANNE was the maternal grandmother (and the only grandmother) of Jesus. Yes, Anne and Joachim were the parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Elizabeth, on the other hand, was the mother of St. John the Baptist and cousin of the Blessed Mother.
11. True or False Was Bartholomew one of the original Twelve Apostles?
- Answer True
12. What did the first church council in Spain forbid bishops, priests, and deacons from having?
- ANSWER: Wives!
13. How old was Pope Benedict XVI when he was elected pope?
- ANSWER: 78 years old
 - (the oldest elected pope since Pope Clement XII in 1730)
14. Name at least two famous creeds.
- ANSWER:
 - Nicene Creed (381 A.D.)
 - Apostles' Creed (8th century)
 - Athanasian Creed (4th or 5th century)
 - Creed of Pius IV (1564)
15. What prayer must priests say every day no matter where they are?
- ANSWER: The Divine Office
 - These compilations of prayers, which are said at different parts of the day, are also called the Breviary or the Liturgy of the Hours. The Church also encourages lay men and women to say these official prayers for the salvation of the world.
16. Name the first Shepherd mentioned in the Bible
- Answer: Abel

17. A noted Catholic, who is Oregon State University's two time National Championship baseball teams Head Coach
 - a. Pat Casey

18. Name at least two parts of the body that the priest anoints with oil as part of the Sacrament of the Sick (the Sacrament of Extreme Unction)?
 - a. ANSWER: Ears, nose, eyes, feet, lips, hands, feet
 - b. (It is our senses – hearing, sight, smell, taste and touch – that we commit most of our sins)

19. True or False The Vatican is the 3rd smallest country in the world?
 - a. ANSWER False it is the smallest

20. Who was the last Apostle to die?
 - a. ANSWER: St. John, around the year 100 A.D.

21. Name the first Christian martyr
 - a. Answer: St Stephen

22. What does the Blessed Mother have in heaven that the rest of us will not have in heaven until the Last Day?
 - a. ANSWER: Her body!
 - b. Unlike Mary, other souls in heaven will have to wait until the Last Day (Judgment Day) for the reunification of their souls and bodies, which will separate at the point of death. Mary, who God ordained would come into the world like Eve (without original sin), never sinned during her life. God took her into heaven, body and soul, at the end of her Earthly life. Of course, Jesus also has his Body in heaven. Unlike Mary, who was “assumed” into heaven by the power of God, Jesus ascended into heaven by virtue of His own power.

23. What was the occupation of the Apostle St. Matthew?
 - a. ANSWER: tax collector

24. What is the 6th Station of the Cross
 - a. Answer: Veronica wipes the face of Jesus

25. Who was the second pope?
- a. ANSWER: . LINUS.
 - b. Linus was the first successor of Peter. In other words, Peter was the first bishop of Rome and Linus was the second. Third came Cletus and fourth came Clement of Rome. The line of bishops that went through Peter and Clement was always considered the sacred line that belonged to the Church founded by Jesus. Today, Benedict XVI is 266th in that same line of succession. (which makes him the 265th successor of Peter)
26. According to the great St. Augustine, what are the three ways in which sins are forgiven?
- a. ANSWER: Baptism, prayer, and penance.
27. Two of the original Twelve Apostles had the same name. Which two?
- a. ANSWER: James the Greater and James the Less.
 - b. Judas and Jude had similar names. Judas Iscariot, son of Simon, was the traitor. Jude, the saint, is also known as St. Thaddaeus. The other original Apostles were: Matthew, Peter (formerly Simon), Simon the Canaanite, Thomas, Bartholomew, Philip, John and Andrew (brother of Peter).