UGANDA MARTYRS UNIVERSITY

End of Semester I Exam December 2023 Social Teaching of the Church BCMHP 2, BJMC 3, LLB 1

Instructions:

- a) Please read the instructions carefully before attempting the questions.
- b) Section A is compulsory
- c) Answer any two questions in Section B.
- d) Start your answer to each question on a fresh page

Section A

Compulsory (50 marks)

Write a reflection on your learning journey of this course. You are expected to share how you felt when you came to know that this course was going to be part of your curriculum; the learning activities used and how they helped you. What surprised you in this course? What were the special moments in your learning journey? What were the most important things you learnt? What assumptions did you hold that were confirmed in the course? What assumptions did you hold that were challenged? What will you do with the knowledge and skills acquired during this course?

Section B

- 2. Starting with the *Rerum novarum*, the social teaching of the church condemns both capitalism and communism. Describe capitalism and communism, highlighting the values or principles they each violate. (25 marks)
- 3. The dignity and rights of workers have been central to the social teaching of the church. Explain why and show how they are violated in your country. (25 marks)
- 4. From the *Populorum Progressio* and the *Sollecitudo rei Socialis* we learn that economic growth alone is not a sign of development. Explain and illustrate with examples. (25 marks)
- 5. How far do you agree with Pope Paul VI's statement that: "If you want peace, work for justice"? Use examples to justify your answer. (25 marks)
- 6. "Due to an ill-considered exploitation of nature, humanity runs the risk of destroying it and becoming in turn a victim of this degradation" (Paul, VI, 1971). To what extent is this true in your country? Use examples to justify your answer. (25 marks)
- 7. Describe the principle of subsidiarity. Use an example to show how the principle of subsidiarity can be applied in concrete situations. (25 marks)