

Religious Studies 35

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Expectations:

1. *Be respectful to everyone and everything:*

- Raise your hand if you wish to speak.
- One person speaks at a time.
- Do not touch anything that does not belong to you.
- **NO** Cell Phones

2. *Come prepared to learn:*

- Come to class on time and prepared.
- Have assignments done on time or if absent, make up missed work the first day you return.
- Skipping a test will result in a **retest**.
- Participate actively in all class activities, especially review.

Course Material:

This course focuses on important questions in life that you, as young adults, will consider as you enter into graduation and subsequent adult life. The purpose of this course is to help you become independent yet committed to improving your community.

Goals and Objectives

- To allow you develop as an individual who is self-reliant and objective regarding decision-making.
- To provide a Catholic perspective on ethical issues that affect society and specifically issues that you may encounter as adults.
- To help you develop as young adults who are about to enter adulthood and to adhere to the principles of the Catholic Church and live a life according to Christ's teaching.

Textbook: *In Search of the Good: A Catholic Understanding of Moral Living* by the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops, 2004

Course Outline:

Unit 1 Ethics and Morality~ Chapters 1 – 3 & 7 - 9

- Develop an awareness of self as ethical/moral person
- Appreciate self as a source of action
- Understand the meaning of conscience
- Examine the importance of freedom for the identity of the self

Unit 2 Revelation and Sacred Scripture on Ethics and Morality ~ Chapters 4 - 6

- Examine the concept of revelation
- Examine the ethical and moral implications of the "Kingdom of God"
- Understand the Church as a sacrament of God's grace

Unit 3 Spirituality in a Variety of World Religions

- Understand the nature religious tradition
- Examine many world religions

Unit 4 Spiritual Dimensions of Relationships (Marriage) ~ Chapters 10 - 18

- Explore the concept of freedom
- Examine the concepts of distributive and ecological justice, sin, reconciliation, pardon, and forgiveness
- Examine how ethics and morality are lived out in human institutions

Note:

1. There will be a test at the end of each unit.
2. All dates above are subject to change. Exact test or exam dates will be announced at least one week prior.
3. If for any reason you are absent for a test or exam, you will be responsible to write the test or exam the next class.

Assignments:

1. Missed Days:

It is the responsibility of the student to inquire about missed or alternate assignments.

2. Late

Late homework will be accepted with a **deduction of 50%**. Therefore, it is in your best interest to ensure your work is completed on time.

Course Evaluation

Assignments (In-class and Homework) – 35%

Service Project Assignment 5%

Quizzes- 15%

Unit Tests – 20%

Final Exam - 25%

Note:

- It is a good idea to keep all past tests, quizzes, and assignments as I double check marks before the end of each term.
- You are responsible for your textbook all year. At the end of the semester, you will be charged for any damage or replacement.
- Most assignments can be found on Christ the Redeemer's sharepoint. To access my site click on teacher sites on the left column on www.redeemer.ab.ca, then find Holy Trinity Academy under schools, and then click on Mrs. Paulgaard, and there they will be under Religion 35. (or follow this link: <http://extranet.redeemer.ab.ca/sites/Schools/hta/ppaulgaard/default.aspx>)