

FAITH KNOWLEDGE QUIZ FOR ADULTS

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"All About Catholic Churches & Chapels"

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1. A Church is called a Cathedral because:

- a. of its style of architecture and its vaulted ceiling;
- b. it is the designated Church of the Diocesan Bishop;
- c. of its size and shape;
- d. it contains the relics of special Saints.

2. The Pope's Cathedral as the "Bishop of Rome" is:

- a. St. Paul's Basilica near the Roman Catacombs;
- b. St. Peter's Basilica in Rome;
- c. St. John Lateran Basilica near the Roman Colosseum;
- d. The Basilica of St. Mary Major near the centre of Rome.

3. Churches are named Basilicas anywhere in the world by the Pope himself if:

- a. they are large and historically important;
- b. they are situated in a nation's capital city;
- c. they are the oldest of the churches of a particular Diocese;
- d. they have a dome for a roof.

4. A Chapel is:

- a. a place where Christian relics of martyrs are kept;
- b. a Christian shrine;
- c. a Christian place of prayer and worship that is usually relatively small;
- d. an historically important shrine.

5. The "Iconostasis" is:

- a. a large religious icon placed over the doors of a Greek Orthodox Church;
- b. the largest icon in a Russian Orthodox Church;
- c. an icon which bears the image of the Virgin Mary and the Child Jesus;
- d. a wall of icons in an Eastern Catholic or Orthodox Church placed in front of the altar.

6. The Sanctuary in a Catholic Church is:

- a. a small area where we keep the relics of Saints and Martyrs;
- b. the place where we keep the sacred vessels for Mass like the chalice and paten;
- c. the space in which we find the altar and the pulpit or ambo;
- d. the place where we keep the blessed Oils used for the Sacraments.

7. The Basilica of St. Paul is located in Rome:

- a. in the place where Paul converted many Romans to Christianity;
- b. in the place where Paul wrote his famous Letter to the Romans ;
- c. in the place where Peter and Paul met outside the Holy Land;
- d. in the place where Paul was beheaded by the Roman Emperor.

8. St. Peter's Basilica in Rome is built :

- a. over the tombs of all the Apostles;
- b. on the grounds near the centre of the City of Rome;
- c. on the grounds of an ancient Roman cemetery;
- d. near the place where St. Paul was imprisoned by the Emperor Nero Caesar.

9. The large Oratory in Montreal built by St. Brother André Bessette is dedicated to:

- a. Our Lady of Lourdes;
- b. St. Francois de Laval;
- c. St. Joan of Arc;
- d. St. Joseph.

10. Most Catholic Cathedrals around the world have within them:

- a. Shrines dedicated to the Martyrs of Rome;
- b. a Chapel dedicated to Mary;
- c. a Chapel dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus;
- d. a Shrine dedicated to the Resurrection of Jesus .

11. The "Cathedra" in a church refers to:

- a. the ceremonial chair used by the celebrant at special Masses only;
- b. an altar where we place the Tabernacle;
- c. the Bishop's chair;
- d. the large crucifix situated over the main altar in a Church.

12. The difference between a "Church" and a "Parish" is:

- a. "Church" and "Parish" are words which refer to the same thing;
- b. a Church is a building and a Parish is the community which worships in that place;
- c. a Church is a sacred building and a Parish is the land on which the Church is built;
- d. a Church is the place for Mass and a Parish is the place for other Sacraments.

CORRECT ANSWERS

1. **b.** For this reason there is usually only one Cathedral within a Diocese.

2. **c.** The Cathedral of the Diocese of Rome is the Basilica of St. John Lateran, not St. Peter's.

3. **a.** In Ontario there are: 2 in Toronto and 1 in Ottawa, Guelph, London and Hamilton.

4. **c.** A Chapel may be its own building or it can be enclosed within a church, school, hospital or any other building as a space for prayer.

5. **d.** It is like a border wall between the Sanctuary where the altar is and the Church proper. In the Roman Church, much lower Communion rails served the same purpose in the past.

6. **c.** The Tabernacle is usually there as well.

7. **d.** It is located just outside the walls of the old City of Rome and so is often called, the "Basilica of St. Paul, outside the Walls".

8. **c.** It is built over the grave of St. Peter who had been buried in that ancient cemetery.

9. **d.** St. Joseph was always Brother André's favourite Saint to whom he was very much devoted all his life.

10. **b.** It is usually named, "Our Lady's Chapel", like the one situated in our own Cathedral.

11. **c.** "Cathedra", the root word of Cathedral, is the Latin word for chair. It represents the Bishop's Ministry of Leadership and Service.

12. **b.** Church is building and Parish is people.