

## **CATHOLIC KNOWLEDGE BOWL QUESTIONS**

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1. From what country does Pope Francis originate?
  - a. Brazil
  - b. Italy
  - c. Argentina
  - d. Peru
  
2. When a diocese becomes vacant, due to the resignation or death of its bishop, who governs the diocese, until an administrator is either elected or assigned and a new bishop is appointed?
  - a. The pope
  - b. A bishop from a neighboring diocese
  - c. The College of Consultors
  - d. The vicar general of the diocese
  
3. How many times, in a given day and during the celebration of a Mass, can a Catholic receive Holy Communion?
  - a. Three
  - b. Two
  - c. One
  - d. As many times as desired
  
4. What is the name of the vessel, in which the Blessed Sacrament is placed during Adoration?
  - a. A ciborium
  - b. A monstrance
  - c. A chalice
  - d. A pyx
  
5. What is the official name for the instrument used by a priest to dispense holy water during a Mass and other liturgical celebrations?
  - a. Aspergillum
  - b. Censer
  - c. Purificator
  - d. Flagon
  
6. In what are the relics of saints often placed?
  - a. A reliquary
  - b. A monstrance
  - c. A pyx
  - d. A thurible

7. When a man is ordained to the priesthood, only one bishop is required. When a priest is ordained a bishop, how many bishops must be present, in order for the ordination to be valid?
- Two
  - Four
  - Three
  - Only one bishop is required.
8. Which liturgical color in the Church symbolizes life, growth and hope?
- White
  - Violet
  - Green
  - Red
9. According to Church teachings, at what age is a child considered to have reached the age of reason?
- Twelve
  - Twenty-one
  - Seven
  - Eighteen
10. The pulpit is often referred to the place where the Word of God is proclaimed in a church. What is another name for it?
- The credence table
  - The ambo
  - The lectionary
  - The vestibule
11. At what liturgical celebration is the paschal candle officially blessed?
- At a baptism
  - On Easter Sunday
  - On Good Friday
  - At the Easter Vigil
12. In what country would one find the Church of the Holy Sepulchre?
- Italy
  - The Vatican
  - The United States
  - Israel
13. Matthias is the name of the one who was elected to serve in the place of Judas Iscariot. At the time, who else was being considered by the Apostles for this position?
- Saul who became Paul
  - Joseph called Barsabbas
  - Ananias

- d. Stephen
14. Of the original Twelve, which two apostles is it certain were married?
- a. Peter and Philip
  - b. John and Peter
  - c. Bartholomew and Matthew
  - d. Peter and Andrew
15. Except for Judas, all of the original Twelve Apostles were from what region?
- a. Jerusalem
  - b. Judea
  - c. Egypt
  - d. Galilee
16. Which of the following is NOT a book in the Old Testament?
- a. The Book of Ezra
  - b. The Book of Gideon
  - c. The Book of Baruch
  - d. The Book of Tobit
17. Other than the name "Jesus", what name appears more times in the bible than any other?
- a. Moses
  - b. David
  - c. Peter
  - d. Jacob
18. Which Old Testament book is most referred to in the New Testament?
- a. Exodus
  - b. Isaiah
  - c. Psalms
  - d. Genesis
19. What did King Solomon ask God for when God appeared to him in a dream and told him to ask what he would?
- a. Mercy
  - b. Understanding
  - c. Righteousness
  - d. Wealth
20. When is the Feast of the Sacred Heart is celebrated?
- a. Second Friday after Ascension
  - b. Second Friday after Pentecost
  - c. Third Friday after Ascension
  - d. Third Friday after Pentecost

21. Along with being the Vicar of Christ on earth, the Pope is also the bishop of his own diocese. What diocese is this?
- Vatican City
  - Rome
  - Assisi
  - Jerusalem
22. In Catholic morality, which of the following is not one of the conditions for a sin to be mortal?
- Grave
  - Outside influence
  - Full consent
  - Full knowledge
23. Which of the following is NOT a Sacrament of Initiation?
- Baptism
  - Holy Eucharist
  - Penance**
  - Confirmation
24. What is the theological term for what occurs when the bread and wine at Mass is changed into the Body and Blood of Jesus?
- Transubstantiation
  - Sacramentalization
  - Consubstantiation
  - Transformation
25. What Catholic religious order did Martin Luther belong to before he severed ties with the Catholic Church?
- Dominican
  - Augustinian
  - Franciscan
  - Jesuit

### **Answers to Fr. Gary Janak's Questions**

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