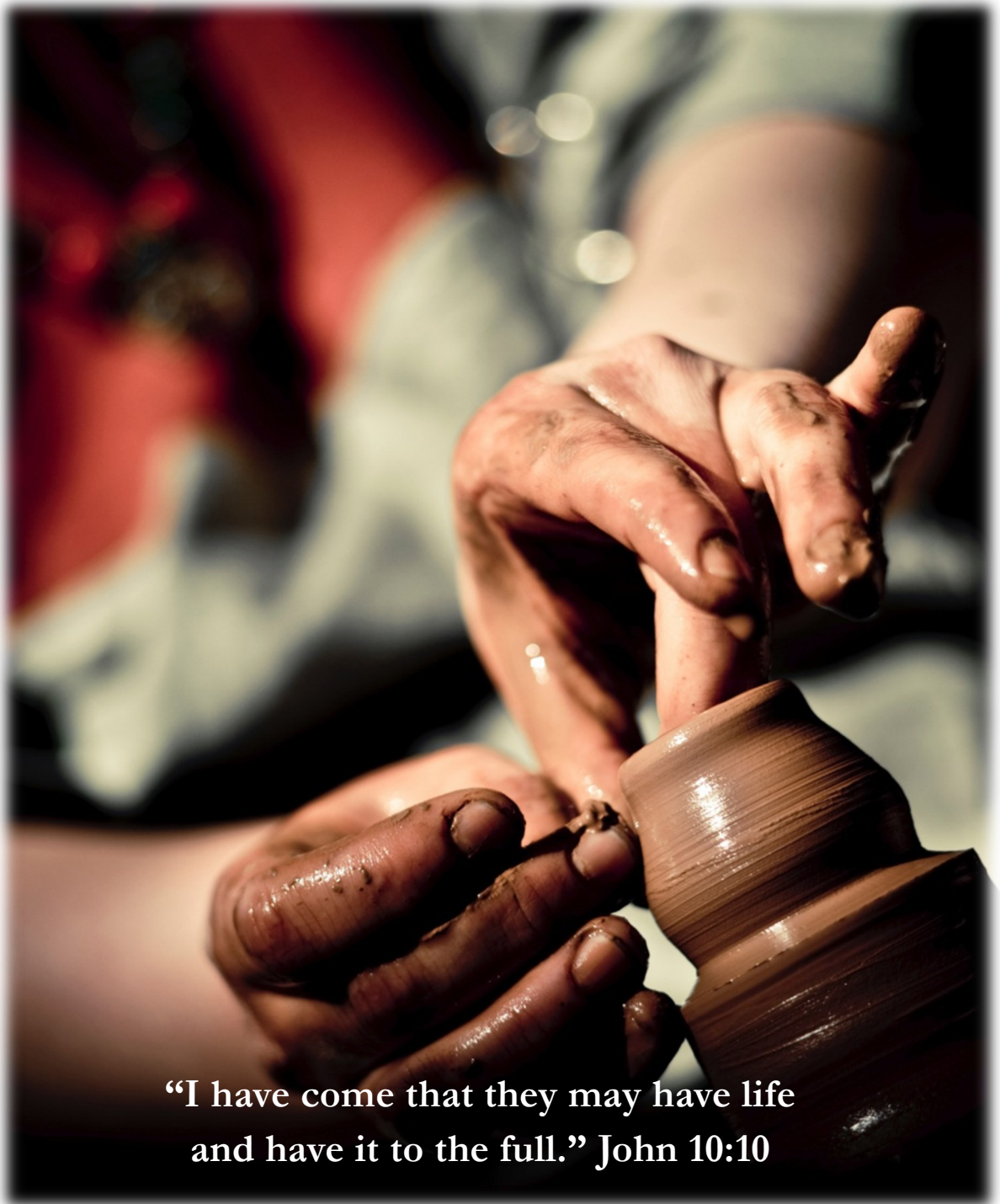


DIOCESE OF SALFORD

Catholic Certificate in Religious Studies



“I have come that they may have life
and have it to the full.” John 10:10

Students study six core modules and produce one assignment for each module.

Year 1 Core Modules

C.1 Old Testament Studies (Hebrew Scriptures)

We begin our journey through the Bible with the Scriptures of Judaism, known to Christians as the Old Testament. This module is an introduction to the writings of the Old Testament that will cover the main themes of God's revelation and its relevance for a Christian spirituality today.

C.2 New Testament Studies (Christian Scriptures)

The journey continues with a careful reflection on the message and teaching of Jesus Christ as presented in the New Testament. This course gives students an opportunity to look at the development of the New Testament writings and how to interpret and understand this material for the life of a Christian today.

C.3 Christology

The Catechism of the Catholic Church states that the "transmission of the Christian faith consists primarily in proclaiming Jesus Christ in order to lead others to faith in him." This course is a reflection on the person and work of Jesus Christ and how 'Christology' lies at the heart of all Catholic teaching - presenting a seamless message that is centred on Christ himself.

C.4 Ecclesiology

The Church as we know it today is the result of a complex interaction between theological debate and historical events over a period of over two thousand years. This course is an opportunity to reflect on the nature of the Church and its mission in the world today.

Year 2 Core Modules

C.5 Sacramental Theology

The sacraments have their roots in the life of Christ. They continue now what Jesus did while on earth. This course develops an understanding and appreciation of sacraments in the life of Catholics as a sign of Christ's continuing presence with the Church.

C.6 Christian Morality

Morality is at the core of human relationships and reflects how we relate to each other and to God. Throughout the history of the Church, moral issues have been both the basis of our teaching and the cause of dissention. This module is designed to help participants to reflect on the tradition of Scripture and the teaching of the Church in the formation moral decision-making attitudes and behaviours.

The Specialist Modules

Students then choose two specialist modules from the following list and produce two further assignments.

S1. Collaborative Leadership

The purpose of this module is to present Jesus as the indispensable model for Christian leaders. What is revealed in His teachings and His life speaks to all believers who serve as leaders, it shapes the way in which they understand their roles and act as people who can transform the world. It is a course that enables participants to identify the qualities of effective leadership within a Christian community and to be able to apply this teaching to practical everyday situations.

S2. Liturgy and Worship

Liturgy has been changing ever since the early Church began to move away from its Jewish origins, so renewal has been characteristic of liturgy from the beginning. In this module we will explore the depths and richness of Christian worship, fostering liturgical formation and active participation as outlined in the Vatican II document, *Sacrosanctum Concilium*. There will be opportunity to explore practical ways of preparing liturgies in school and in the parish.

S3. Spirituality

Spirituality helps us to identify the ways in which we engage with God. Throughout the history of the Church this relationship has been expressed in a variety of ways, shaped by the customs and traditions of the time. This module is designed to familiarise participants with a range of expressions of spirituality drawn from the breadth of Church tradition and to reflect on their relevance to contemporary living.

S4. Youth Ministry

This course will help participants to gain an understanding of the foundations of Youth Ministry and develop approaches to working with young people in a variety of settings. It includes a study of the theology, principles and goals which are at the heart of Youth Ministry.

S5. Presenting the Faith

The teaching of the Christian faith is at the heart of the Church's mission of evangelisation. This course is designed to help all those who teach the faith, both in school and in the parish. It looks at recent developments and incorporates modern technology, so that the teacher and catechist can guide their students to know, love and serve God. It has a practical dimension, looking at the various ways we can present the faith, making it relevant for a changing world in the 21st Century.

S6. The Catholic School (5Ws)

In 2010 Pope Benedict stated that the ethos of each school is important and 'needs to inform every aspect of school life'. The framework for review, evaluation and celebration of our Catholic Schools will be considered under five specific headings: Word of God; Welcome; Welfare; Worship and Witness. This course will consider how Gospel values and a Christ-centred ethos can be embedded across the whole school and what this means in practice.

Course Fees

Registration: £50

Per Module: £70

Course Total: £610

Funding options:

Self-funded - an invoice is sent directly to students who pay by modular instalments. Students pay £70 *before* undertaking a module. Initial payment will include fees for registration and the first module (£120).

School funded - an invoice is sent directly to school requesting payment for the whole course (£610).

Venues Offered

Cathedral Centre, Salford

Two Saturday sessions per module, 9.30am - 3pm

Manchester Metropolitan University

Two Saturday sessions per module, 9.30am - 3pm

Cardinal Langley RC High, Rochdale

Three Thursday sessions per module

Session one 9.30am - 3pm

Sessions two/three 4pm - 6.30pm

Our Lady's RC High Blackley

Four Tuesday sessions per module, 4pm - 6.30pm

Registration

To register your place on the course please go to the Diocese Website.

(All registrations must be made by 31st July before the start of each academic year)

Module Dates & Times

Year 1 Timetable

(for academic year 2017-2018)

Cathedral Centre (3 Ford Street, Salford M3 6DP)

Times: 9.30am - 3pm

16th & 23rd September 2017	C1. Old Testament Studies
18th & 25th November 2017	C2. New Testament Studies
13th & 20th January 2018	C3. Christology
10th & 17th March 2018	C4. Ecclesiology

Manchester Metropolitan University (Birley Building, Manchester M15 6GX)

Times: 9.30am - 3pm

7th & 21st October 2017	C1. Old Testament Studies
11th & 18th November 2017	C2. New Testament Studies
13th & 20th January 2018	C3. Christology
10th & 17th March 2018	C4. Ecclesiology

Our Lady's RC High (Alworth Road, Blackley, Manchester M9 0RP)

Times: 4pm - 6.30pm

12th, 19th, 26th Sept, 3rd Oct 2017	C1. Old Testament Studies
7th, 14th, 21st, 28th Nov 2017	C2. New Testament Studies
9th, 30th Jan, 6th Feb 2018	C3. Christology
6th, 13th, 20th, 27th March 2018	C4. Ecclesiology

Cardinal Langley RC High (Rochdale Road, Middleton, Manchester M24 2GL)

Times: Session One 9.30am - 3pm Sessions Two & Three 3pm - 6.30pm

28th Sept, 5th, 19th Oct 2017	C1. Old Testament Studies
9th, 16th, 23rd Nov 2017	C2. New Testament Studies
11th, 18th, 25th Jan 2018	C3. Christology
8th, 15th, 22nd March 2018	C4. Ecclesiology

Module Dates & Times

Year 2 Timetable

(for academic year 2017-2018)

Cathedral Centre (3 Ford Street, Salford M3 6DP)

Times: 9.30am - 3pm

16th & 30th Sept 2017	C5. Sacramental Theology
4th & 11th Nov 2017	C6. Christian Morality
20th & 27th Jan 2018	S3. Spirituality
10th & 17th March 2018	S2. Liturgy & Worship

Our Lady's RC High (Alworth Road, Blackley, Manchester M9 0RP)

Times: 4pm - 6.30pm

12th, 19th, 26th Sept, 3rd Oct 2017	C5. Sacramental Theology
7th, 14th, 28th Nov, 5th Dec 2017	C6. Christian Morality
9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th Jan 2018	S1. Collaborative Leadership
6th & 13th March 2018	S5. Presenting the Faith

Sacred Heart Presbytery (The Presbytery Queen Street Colne BB8 9NB)

Times: 4pm - 6.30pm

13th, 20th, 27th Sept, 4th Oct 2017	C5. Sacramental Theology
8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th Nov 2017	C6. Christian Morality
10th, 31st Jan, 7th Feb 2018	C3. Christology

Tameside Cluster

Times: Session One 9.30am - 3pm Sessions Two & Three 3pm - 6.30pm

14th, 21st, 28th Sept 2017	C5. Sacramental Theology - St Christopher's RC Primary
9th, 16th, 23rd Nov 2017	C6. Christian Morality - Our Lady of Mt Carmel RC Primary
11th, 18th, 25th Jan 2018	S4. Youth Ministry - St Joseph's RC Primary
8th, 15th, 22nd March 2018	S6. The Catholic School - St Stephen's RC Primary