

Lesson 53: The Catholic Church: Catholicity & Apostolicity Name: _____

1. What do we mean when we say the Catholic Church is Universal?

2. What does the word “Catholic” mean? _____

3. Who first used this word to refer to the Church and when?

4. How did the distinction between “Catholics” and “Christians” arise?

5. What do we understand when we say the Catholic Church is universal?

6. What does the Catholic Church everywhere teach?

7. What do most protestant churches have in common?

8. Why is the Catholic Church apostolic?

9. How do we prove this Apostolicity?

10. What man on earth today is the only true successor of St. Peter, the head appointed by Our Lord Jesus Christ?

11. How is the see of Peter different than all the other sees founded by the other Apostles?

12. The Protestants claim that they “reformed” the original church. Prove that this cannot be true no matter what way we consider it:

True Church did not exist when their churches were founded _____

True Church did exist when their churches were founded _____

13. What does St. Paul say of such so-called “reformers”?

14. What happens to a church that rejects the supremacy of Peter?

15. Answer true or false.

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| T | F | When a person gives a priest a stipend, he buys a Mass. |
| T | F | There are no exceptions to the dogma of no salvation outside the Church |
| T | F | Catholics honor the Blessed Virgin Mary above every other creature. |
| T | F | Scapulars and other sacramentals give grace of themselves. |
| T | F | We know who is going to Heaven or Hell by whether they are Catholic or non-Catholic. |
| T | F | Only the Catholic Church can properly interpret the Bible. |
| T | F | You will always get your sins forgiven when you go to Confession, no matter what. |