

Can people go to multiple churches?

Catholics are permitted to attend other churches however they must also attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation. Going to another church such as a protestant one can never take place of worshipping in the Catholic Church. Other churches hold and teach doctrines which are contrary to our beliefs.

What do you say in response to “are you saved?”

Fundamentalist Christians particularly Evangelicals will often use the phrase ‘are you saved’. The problem is that if a person believes they are saved at 17 this seems contrary to our experience of life and of course the teachings of the Church. The person may leave his faith at a later time. As Catholics we believe that we hope to be saved, we are in the process of being saved and will be saved if we are faithful to Christ.

My friend’s mom follows the 10 commandments but she’s not Catholic. Should she be?

It is a mark of holiness that an individual observes the ten commandments. I believe, as does the Church, that the fullness of God’s revelation is to be found in the Catholic Church. A faithful reading of scripture, following the commandments, embracing the doctrines of the faith and many other areas may lead a person to become Catholic. I pray that one day all Christians will be part of one Universal Church, which would be Catholic. The word Catholic means universal.

Where did God come from?

God always existed. There is no beginning and there is not end. God did not come into being since he always was.

Do aborted babies or other babies who die before being baptized go to heaven?

All babies who die before Baptism, whether they are aborted or die from natural causes are received into heaven. They are called the Holy Innocents. Baptism should be received by the child a few weeks after his/her birth.