

Religious Studies is a very important subject in St Louis. As a **compulsory subject** students will acquire many transferable skills which will aid them in their studies in other subjects and in the future. These include:

- Skills of description and analysis to inform and reflect;
- Skills of empathy and understanding;
- Using evidence and reasoned argument to express and evaluate personal responses;

Students must complete two written examinations, one for each of the units they study. Each exam lasts 1 hour 30 minutes and is worth 50 per cent of the final award. Students take one assessment unit at the end of one year of study and the other at the end of a second year.



Unit 1: Year 11 The Christian Church with a Focus on the Catholic Church

Unit 2: Year 12 An Introduction to Christian Ethics

Unit 1

- The Birth of the Christian Church in Ireland
- Church Government
- · Worship in the Catholic Church
- The Sacraments
- The role of the Church in contemporary society

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Unit 2

- Personal and Family Issues
- Matters of Life and Death
- Care for the Environment
- Equality
- War and Peace

