

Sacramentality Essay

Prompt:

According to the Catholic Church, what does it mean to have a sacramental understanding of the world and of life itself?

Instructions:

Write an essay that answers the above prompt based on resources provided in class, as well as your own research towards the topic. The essay must be at least 500 words in length and include a Works Cited page.

Students would do well to focus on the following questions within their essay:

- What is the principle of sacramentality according to the Catholic Church?
- What is the significance of participating in the Liturgy and Sacraments in light of this principle?
- As Catholics, how are we called by God to embrace and live a life of sacramentality?

MLA Requirements:

- Typed
- Double-spaced
- 12 point Times New Roman Font
- 1" margins
- Name & class information on top left of first page
- Student last name and page number on top right of all pages
- Proper Title of Essay

Citations:

Students will be required to provide a Works Cited page at the end of their essay with a minimum of one in-text citation from the following sources:

- "What makes us Catholic: The Sacramental Principle" by Thomas H. Groome
- The Bible
- Either the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* or a Papal Encyclical or Vatican II Document

Rubric & Grading:

This assignment is 15% of the student's semester grade. See attached document for this assignment's rubric and grading criteria.

Purpose & Schedule:

This assignment is meant to prepare students for the Morality Term Paper next semester and students will be supported throughout the writing process by covering the following in class:

- Go over "What makes us Catholic: The Sacramental Principle" by Thomas H. Groome in class to get an understanding of how to answer the prompt
- Create a Bibliography in class and instruction on how to do in-text citations with a works cited page

- Create an example outline in class
- Discuss how to join the class on www.turnitin.com

Due Date:

The assignment is due **Monday, November 1st**

*****Students must submit the assignment on www.turnitin.com AND must bring a hardcopy to class by/on due date*****

Students will receive a -5 points late penalty for each class day that the assignment is late.

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- **Used** ideas or methods from a source but failed to cite it.

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