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**Religious Studies**  
**Assessment Unit AS 5**

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The Origins of the Celtic Church in  
Ireland and the beginnings of its  
missionary outreach

**[AR151]**

**TUESDAY 16 JUNE, MORNING**

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**TIME**

1 hour 20 minutes.

**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

Write your Candidate Number and Centre Number on the Answer Booklet provided.  
Answer **one** question from Section A and **one** from Section B.

**INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES**

The total mark for this paper is 100.

Quality of written communication will be assessed in **all** questions.

Figures in brackets down the right-hand side of pages indicate the marks awarded to each question or part question.

**ADVICE TO CANDIDATES**

You are advised to take account of the marks for each question or part question.

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## Section A

Answer **one** question from Section A

- 1 (a) Explain the challenges faced by Patrick in his mission to the Irish. [35]
- (b) Comment on the view that the purpose of Patrick's writings was solely to give an account of his mission. Justify your answer. [15]
- 2 (a) Give an account of the life, work and significance of **two** of the following: Brigit, Comgall, Finnian, Enda. [35]
- (b) Explore the claim that prayer was the most important feature of Celtic monasticism. Justify your answer. [15]

## Section B

Answer **one** question from Section B

- 3 (a) Describe the role and importance of the Celtic Penitentials. [35]
- (b) With reference to other aspects of human experience, explore the relevance of these writings for religious believers. Justify your answer. [15]
- 4 (a) Give an account of the missionary career of Colmcille (Columba) and his contribution to the development of the Celtic Church. [35]
- (b) With reference to other aspects of human experience, explore the challenges faced by religious leadership in any age. Justify your answer. [15]

