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Religious Studies

Assessment Unit AS 6

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Religious Ethics: Foundations,
Principles and Practice

[AR161]



FRIDAY 29 JANUARY, AFTERNOON

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) Give an account of the religious and moral teaching of the Beatitudes. [35]
- (b) Explore the view that the teaching of the Beatitudes has very obvious limitations. Justify your answer. [15]
- 2 (a) Explain the approach of Situation Ethics to moral decision making. [35]
- (b) Comment on the claim that in the context of moral decision making, love is difficult to define. Justify your answer. [15]

Section B

Answer **one** question from Section B

- 3 (a) Give an account of the religious and moral issues raised by developments in the treatment of human infertility. [35]
- (b) With reference to other aspects of human experience, explore the view that moral and ethical considerations should not stand in the way of medical developments. Justify your answer. [15]
- 4 (a) Explain the ethical arguments for and against sex outside of marriage. [35]
- (b) With reference to other aspects of human experience, comment on the view that celibacy is a positive life choice. Justify your answer. [15]

