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FDT1050 Theology of Salvation

Thur 1 June 2006

08.00 – 10.00

To answer ONE question:

1. How does “salvation” determine the self-perception of the Catholic Church? In what way is it “the universal sacrament of salvation”?
2. Salvation lies at the root of religions as such and “justifies” their very existence. Write about Christianity’s attitude towards non-Christian religions.
3. Write short notes on THREE of the following: Dominus Jesus, Redemptor Hominis, exclusivism, inclusivism, religious pluralism, Jacques Dupuis, Nostra Aetate.
4. “The Catholic Church rejects nothing of what is true and holy in (other) religions..... Yet she proclaims and is in duty bound to proclaim without fail Christ who is the way, the truth, and the life” (Nostra Aetate, n.2). Explain.
5. The proclamation that Christ is the unique mediator between God and man and that it is only through him that salvation comes was the firm re-affirmation of ‘Dominus Jesus’ in the year 2000. Explain the background that necessitated this Declaration.