

Pillars, Festivals and Beliefs of Islam

Upon the Moslems, too, the Church looks with esteem. They adore one God, living and enduring, merciful and all-powerful, Maker of heaven and earth and Speaker to men.

Nostra Aetate, 3

Below are the five pillars of Islam. Consult pages 138 and 139 of your text and complete the following: (a) write the English translation after the title of each pillar and (b) suggest a Catholic practice that is similar to each pillar.

1. Shahada:

Translation: _____

Catholic practice: _____

2. Salat:

Translation: _____

Catholic practice: _____

3. Zakat:

Translation: _____

Catholic practice: _____

4. Sawm:

Translation: _____

Catholic practice: _____

5. Hajj:

Translation: _____

Catholic practice: _____

Below are three of the major festivals of Islam. Consult pages 139 and 140 of your text and complete the following: (a) write the English translation after the name of each festival and (b) suggest a Catholic feast that is similar to each one.

1. Maulid-al-Nabi

Translation: _____

Catholic feast: _____

2. Lailat-ul-Miraj

Translation: _____

Catholic feast: _____

3. Eid-al-Fitr

Translation: _____

Catholic feast: _____