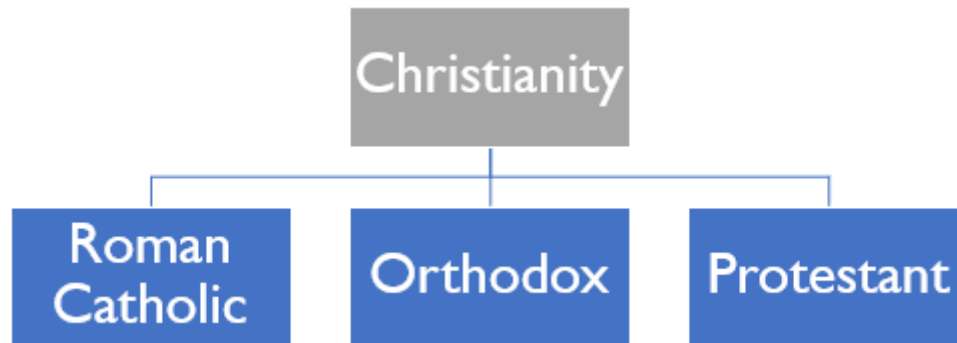


Lesson 1: What is the difference between Catholicism and Protestantism in Britain?

Although Christianity began with a single person, Jesus Christ, over the first millennium it grew and split into a number of different churches and types.

The different types of Christianity are called denominations.

They have different styles of worship, different beliefs about Christianity, different ways of celebrating festivals and even different calendars. The three major denominations of Christianity around the world are: **Roman Catholic**, **Orthodox** and **Protestant**.



As you go through today's lesson fill in the definitions for the following words and answer the following questions

Pope	
Liturgical	
Mass	
Archbishop of Canterbury	
High Church	
Low Church	

How many Christians in the UK are Catholics?

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Around 20% of Christians in the UK are Catholics, that is around 1 in 5 Christians.

The leader of the Catholic church is the **Pope** and the centre of the global church is in Rome in the **Vatican City**.



Pope Francis, the current Pope



A view of the Vatican City in Rome



The flag of the Vatican City and the Catholic Church

Who is in charge of worship in a Roman Catholic church?

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What is the global collection of churches led by the Church of England known as?

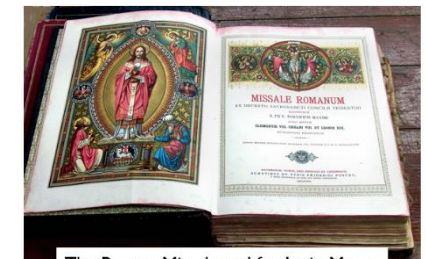
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In general **Catholic** worship is very **liturgical** it is called **Mass**.

This means that they use set prayers, sometimes in Latin. The **priest** is in charge of worship.

They also tend to use candles and incense as part of their services and stick to traditional forms of prayer and worship.



The Roman Missal used for Latin Mass

What are the differences between high church and low church worship?

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Around 30% of Christians in the UK belong to the Church of England – a **Protestant** church.

The leader of the Church of England is the **Archbishop of Canterbury** and it is the main church in a global collection of **Anglican** churches.



The Church of England has a wide range of worship styles.

Some churches are **low church** which means they use modern instruments, they might not follow set words in their prayers and they are seen as more modern.

Other churches are **high church** which means their worship is more similar to Catholic worship with incense, candles and traditional set prayers.



A low church service at Holy Trinity Brompton