Worksheet on Dei VerbumPart I & Part IIName\_\_\_\_\_

Answers are given in bold print with a reference to the paragraph in the document in which they can be found. Ex. P2 = paragraph 2

- 1) How is it that man in the Holy Spirit has access to the Father? We have access to the Father through the Word made flesh. P2
- 2) Write out on the back of this worksheet Ephesians 2:18. *For through Him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father P2*
- 3) Who is the fullness of all revelation? *Jesus Christ P2*
- 4) Our Lord commissioned the apostles to preach to all men the Gospel. What is the Gospel the source of? *All saving truth and moral teaching. P7*
- 5) By what means did the apostles hand on the Faith.
  a) oral preaching b) by example c) and by observances handed on what they had received from the lips of Christ P7
- 6) Until the Church on earth is able to see God directly what does she use to see God. Sacred Scripture of both the Old and New Testaments are like a mirror in which the pilgrim Church on earth looks at God, from whom She has received everything, until she is brought to see Him as He is, face to face. P7
- 7) Write down in its entirety 2Thessalonians 2:15 on the back of this worksheet. *Therefore, brothers, stand firm and hold fast to the traditions that you were taught, either by an oral statement or by a letter of ours. P8*
- 8) Give a definition of sacred scripture and a definition of sacred tradition.

Sacred Scripture is the word of God inasmuch as it is consigned to writing under the inspiration of the divine Spirit. P9 Sacred Tradition takes the word of God entrusted by Christ the Lord and the Holy Spirit to the Apostles, and hands it on to their successors in its full purity, so that led by the light of the Spirit of truth, they may in proclaiming it preserve this word of God faithfully. P9 9) Which is to be venerated more 'sacred scripture' or 'sacred tradition?' both Sacred Tradition and Sacred Scripture are to be accepted and venerated with the same sense of loyalty and reverence P9 10) To whom is assigned the task of interpreting the word of God? Written or handed on the authentic interpretation is entrusted exclusively to the living teaching office of the Church. P10 11) What three means are available to the Church for the salvation of

## souls. Sacred Scripture, Sacred Tradition, and the teaching authority of the Church P10

12) There is a unique design to sacred tradition, sacred Scripture, and the teaching authority of the Church. What does this constitution say is unique about the three? *That one cannot stand without the others P10* 

- 13) Paragraph 11 gives a great definition of inspiration and inerrancy. Reproduce that definition here.
  Inspiration God chose men and while employed by Him they made use of their powers and abilities, so that with Him acting in them and through then, they as true authors, consigned to writing everything and only those things which He wanted.
  Inerrancy asserted by the Holy Spirit acknowledge as teaching solidly, faithfully, and with out error that truth which God wanted put into sacred writing
- 14) Why can we not simply interpret every verse of scripture in the same way? Because not all verses are written with the genre, we must find the intention of the sacred writers by determining what literary form they used: historical, prophetic, poetic, or other forms of discourse P12
- 15) What is the definition (the task) of an exegete? *Investigate* what meaning the sacred writer intended to express and actually expressed in particular circumstances by using contemporary literary forms in accordance with the situation of his own time and culture.
- 16) What connection does *Dei Verbum* make in paragraph 13, between what God wants to tell us in the scriptures and the fact that the Son of God took on human flesh? *A marvelous condescension*
- 17) What is the principle purpose to which the plan of the old covenant was directed? *To prepare us for the coming of Christ P15*
- 18) Though the books of the Old Testament are 'incomplete and temporary,' they give expression to:

a) to a lively sense of God, b) contain a store of sublime teachings about God c) sound wisdom about human life d) wonderful treasury of prayers

19) A quote you will all have to memorize states the relationship of the Old and New Testament. Write that quote by St. Augustine on the back of this worksheet. (Hint: See footnote number 29.) *The New Testament is hidden in the Old and the Old is made manifest in the New*