

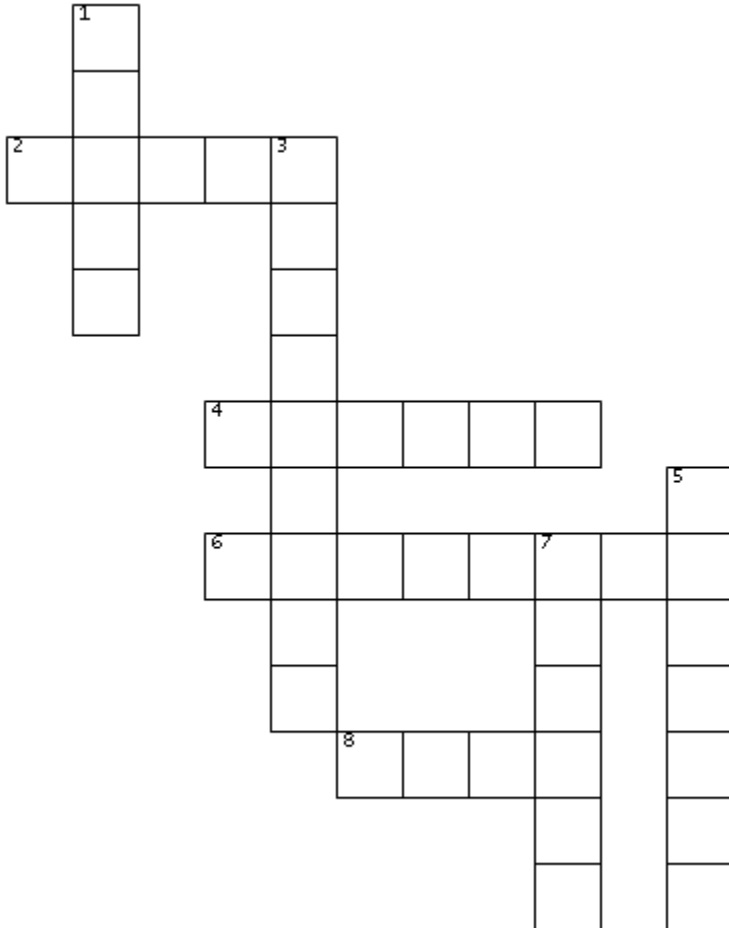
Elementary: Made for Mission

(Week of Apr. 18)

“I am the vine and you are the branches” JN 15:1-8

Through our celebration of the Mass, we are given all that we need to bring Christ into the world – His light, His love and His mercy. To do this, we must stay connected to Him through prayer, Scripture and the Eucharist.

Gather: Solve the puzzle to discover the things that help keep you connected to Jesus and able to live out His mission for you!



ACROSS

- 2: This is where I read about how much Jesus loves me.
- 4: Champions in heaven who pray for me
- 6: This is what I am
- 8: I can be this if I live as Jesus asks me to

DOWN

- 1: This means trusting in Jesus
- 3: Receiving this makes me stronger because Jesus is within me
- 5: This is helping others
- 7: The special way I talk to Jesus

Connect: The Scripture readings that we hear during the Easter season remind us of how important it is for us to stay connected to Christ – without Him, our life can become one big knotty mess. Jesus gives us all we need through the Mass, the sacraments and the Great Commandment. By staying connected to Him, even when we get into a knotty mess, He can help us undo it and find peace and joy.

Explore Grade Level Activities:

YEAR 1 (CH 18 and 19) Pentacost and The Church Helps the World. This week we discover how we are the church and we are made for God’s mission!

YEAR 2 Lessons can be found [HERE](#).

3rd Grade (CH 18 and 19): Called to Serve/Witnesses for Justice and Peace. Talk with your child about when and where you pray before exploring CH 18. God wants us to think of every person we meet as our neighbor and friend, talk about what this means before beginning CH 19.

4th Grade (CH 18 and 19): The Eucharist and Works of Mercy. Through the Eucharist our relationship with Jesus is made stronger, which helps us love and serve others.

5th Grade (CH 19) Living as Christians. What are some things that symbolize love? What are things that are meaningful to you or your child that remind you of love? Explore the chapter after discussing those questions.

Reflect: Read the Gospels from this week, **The Vine and the Branches (JN 15:1-8)** or you can view it at [CATHOLIC KIDS CONNECTION](#)

Live It: Make a small sign that says “Jesus loves ME and I am Made for Mission” and place it by your bed to remind you to stay connected to Jesus through reading the Bible and saying prayers in the morning and the

evening!