

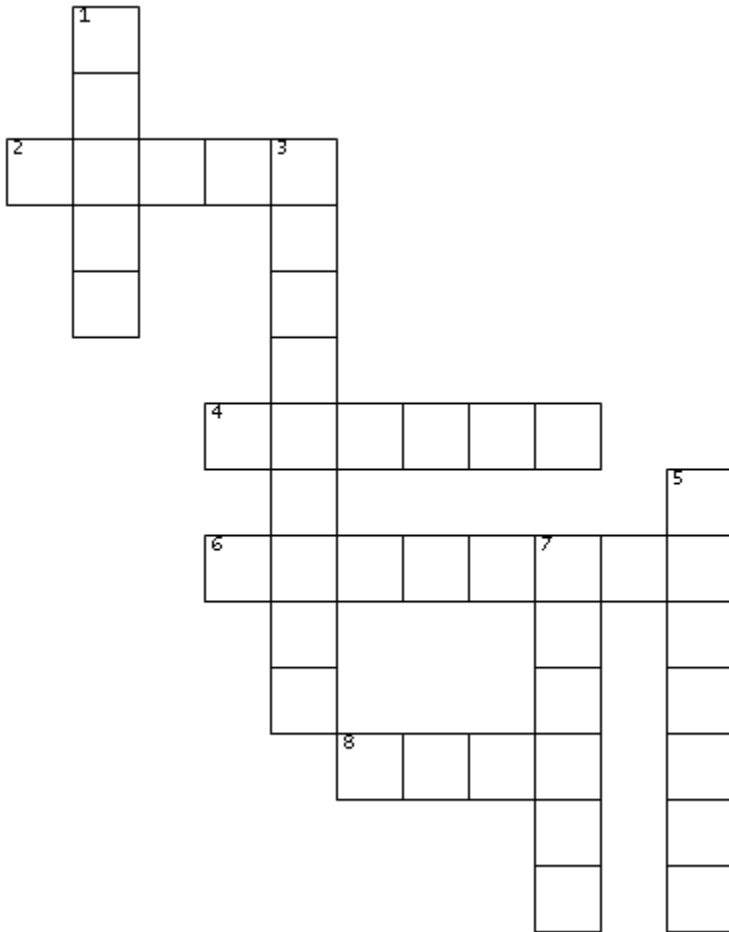
## Elementary: Made for Mission

(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:

#### Blessed Communion Session 6

#### Blessed Videos

- PP 166-167, Made for Mission **Video 1**
- Why is it great to be Catholic? Discuss before PP 168-171, Our Catholic Family **Video 2**
- Ask your child to think of some ways they can make a difference in the lives of others, then look at PP 172-175 and **Video 3**
- PP 176-177, The Most Powerful Things We Can Do **Video 4**
- PP 178-179, Jesus will always be with us because of the Eucharist! **Video 5**
- Trusting God, **Video 6**

Practice how to receive the Body of Christ!

**Journal with Jesus:** Have your child spend a few minutes writing their response to the journal with Jesus prompt on page 189. “Dear Jesus, I want to spread our love because...” End your session praying the closing prayer on page 190.

**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!