



MAY 2018 (YEAR B)

ST. JAMES CATHOLIC CHURCH

Monthly News Bulletin

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Welcome To Our Parish

MASS SCHEDULES

Morning Mass: Monday - Friday 6:30am
Sunday Mass: 8:00am

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION / CONFESSION

Saturdays at 5:30pm - 6:30pm or by
appointment.

COMMUNION TO THE SICK

Please ensure the parish office is informed of
a parishioner's ill health. Arrangements will
be made for a home or hospital visit.

BAPTISM

Dates are communicated by announcements
during Sunday Mass.

HOLY MATRIMONY

Wedding arrangements should be made with
the Parish or Associate Priest. Please contact
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to wedding.

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Very Rev. Fr. Daniel Tetteji

My Cherished Parishioners

Cherished Parishioners, welcome to May, the month of the Holy Rosary!

This month presents us with very inspiring activities for our spiritual growth as a church community. Below are some of them:

•**FIRST THURSDAY ADORATION:** The usual monthly Adoration comes off on 3rd May at 6pm. Our prayer intention is for MOTHERS. During this Adoration we wish to declare the blessings that God pronounced upon Sarah in Genesis 17:16 on all our Mothers. Let us come and be favoured

•**PENTECOST NOVENA:** "The Pentecost Novena is the first of all novenas. After Jesus' Ascension into heaven, He commanded His disciples to come together in the upper room to devote themselves to constant prayer (Acts 1:14). They prayed for nine days before receiving the Holy Spirit on Pentecost." On May 4, 1897, Pope Leo XIII proclaimed: "We decree and command that throughout the whole Catholic Church, this year and in every subsequent year, a novena shall take place before Whit-Sunday (Pentecost), in all parish churches." (Encyclical on the Holy Spirit, 13). I invite all our parishioners to join the world in praying this novena in preparation for Pentecost – beginning on Ascension Thursday, 10th May. Kindly note that the last three days (16th–18th May) shall be a crusade at Christ the King grotto.

•**MOTHER'S DAY:** On 13th May, we shall join the world to celebrate our MOTHERS in a special way. We wish to thank you, MOTHERS of the St. James family, for the love, care and support we enjoy from you. On this special occasion, we salute and pray for good health, peace and joy for you. The Fathers and the Children of the Church wish to pamper our Mothers in a very unique way. Mothers, wait for the surprise! Long live our Mothers!

•**FIRST COMMUNION:** On 20th May, which is Pentecost Sunday, we shall administer the sacrament of Holy Communion to some of our children. It is the church's prayer that the words of our blessed Lord in John 6:56 "Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him" shall resonate with them forever. We thank the Catechists who for the past eight months or so have been preparing these our young ones.

•**HARVEST LAUNCH:** We shall launch our 2018 HARVEST on 27th May. The Youth Fundraising committee under the guidance of the Parish Youth Council and The Fundraising committee of the church will lead us in this activity. It is important that we all give our support to achieve the target set for the day.

In conclusion, I invoke the maternal solicitude of the Blessed Virgin Mary on all our activities in this month of the Holy Rosary. Mary, Mother of the church, pray for us!

Shalom!!!

'Though our sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow'

"He said to me, 'This water flows out into the eastern district, runs down into the Arabah and empties into the polluted waters of the sea to freshen them. 'Wherever it flows, the river teems with every kind of living creature; fish will abound. Where these waters flow they refresh; everything lives where the river goes. ... Along each bank of the river every kind of fruit tree will grow; their leaves will not wither, nor will their fruit fail. Every month they will bear fresh fruit because the waters of the river flow out from the sanctuary. Their fruit is used for food, and their leaves for healing.'" [Ezekiel 47:8-12]

'Though our sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow', when the mercy and love of God flows into our turbulent lives. A sinful life is chaotic and restless. The fresh water of divine grace refreshes our weary souls and brings back life and vitality. Most sins are expensive monetarily and emotionally and yet God's healing presence is free. The life of Mary Magdalene comes to mind. Jesus saved her and her life changed completely. And so also is the life of the Samaritan woman Jesus met at the well.

"Jesus answered and said to her, 'Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again; but whoever drinks the water I shall give will never thirst; the water I shall give will become in him a spring of water well up to eternal life.'" [John 4:13-14]

Jesus' word to the Samaritan woman applies to us as well. His love and grace is like the living water referred to in Ezekiel 47:8-12. It will renew and refresh us as long as we allow ourselves to be immersed in Him. May we all in faith put out roots in the living river, which is our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Soaked in His grace we will grow and flourish spiritually and perhaps even materially as He lets His Holy Spirit guide and direct us in all aspects of our lives. Spirit of the Living God fall afresh on us. Do we not have the promise of God Almighty that if we seek His Kingdom first He will give us all else that we need?

We only have to open up to His grace and invite in the gentlest of all gentlemen, who will never impose Himself on His creation, and like the Prodigal Father (of the Prodigal son) who is always on the look out for the return of His wayward son, He will run to embrace and welcome us home. He will give all the goodness of His Kingdom and restore us to our rightful place. Wuom pe wai, na wo pe d3n?

Then we can say with David: "God is our refuge and our strength, an ever-present help in distress. Thus we do not fear, though earth be shaken and mountains quake to the depths of the sea, though its waters rage and foam and mountains totter at its surging. Streams of the river gladden the city of God, the holy dwelling of the Most High. God is in its midst; it shall not be shaken; God will help it at break of day. Though nations rage and kingdoms totter, he utters His voice and the earth melts. The Lord of hosts is with us; our stronghold is the God of Jacob." [Psalm 46:1-8]

The miracle-working Lord, promised to God's people from the Old Testament times, continues to work signs and wonders in our daily lives provided we open ourselves to receive Him. Ten Boom likens God's grace to an unlimited amount of money placed into our bank account. It is up to us to write the cheque in order to cash what we need. The money will not come into our hands unless we take the step to request for the chequebook and then take the trouble to write the cheque. Then go to the bank to withdraw the cash.

FORMAT OF ADORATION

In our continuation of the series on Eucharistic Adoration, we would like to look at a few ways of doing adoration. When we sit, stand, kneel or prostrate ourselves in the presence of Jesus, what do we say, what do we do.

The church has recommendations for Eucharistic adoration. One such recommendation is found in ***Holy Communion and Worship of the Eucharist Outside Mass*** the Sacred Congregation for Divine Worship in Rome states:

58. Shorter expositions of the Eucharist are to be arranged in such a way that the blessing with the Eucharist is preceded by a suitable period for readings of the word of God, songs, prayers, and sufficient time for silent prayer.

This recommendation can be a guide for communal and personal Eucharistic Adoration. Before we come to Eucharistic adoration itself, we will like to hear what the Catechism of the Catholic Church says about prayer.

CATECHISM ON TYPES OF PRAYER

"Prayer," St. John Damascene wrote, "is the raising of one's mind and heart to God or the requesting of good things from God." At an even more basic level, prayer is a form of communication, a way of talking to God or to the saints, just as we talk to family or friends.

As the Catechism of the Catholic Church notes, however, not all prayers are the same. In Paragraphs 2626-2643, the Catechism describes five basic types of prayer.

Blessing and Adoration (Worship)

In prayers of adoration or worship, we exalt the greatness of God, and we acknowledge our dependence on Him in all things. The Mass and the other liturgies of the Church are full of prayers of adoration or worship, such as the Gloria (the Glory to God). Among private prayers, the Act of Faith is a prayer of adoration. In extolling the greatness of God, we also acknowledge our own humility; a good example of such a prayer is Cardinal Merry del Val's Litany of Humility.

Petition

Outside of the Mass, prayers of petition are the type of prayer with which we are most familiar. In them, we ask God for things we need—primarily spiritual needs, but physical ones as well. Our prayers of petition should always include a statement of our willingness to accept God's Will, whether He directly answers our prayer or not. The Our Father is a good example of a prayer of petition, and the line "Thy will be done" shows that, in the end, we acknowledge that God's plans for us are more important than what we desire.

Prayers of expiation, in which we express sorrow for our sins, are one form of prayers of petition—in fact, the first form, because before we ask for anything, we should acknowledge our sinfulness and ask God for His forgiveness and mercy. The Confiteor or Penitential Rite at the beginning of Mass, and the Agnus Dei (or Lamb of God) before Communion, are prayers of expiation, as is the Act of Contrition.

Intercession

Prayers of intercession are another form of prayers of petition, but they are important enough to be considered their own type of prayer. As the Catechism of the Catholic Church notes (Para. 2634), "Intercession is a prayer of petition which leads us to pray as Jesus did." In a prayer of intercession, we're not concerned with our needs but with the needs of others. We pray for others.

Thanksgiving

Perhaps the most neglected type of prayer is prayer of thanksgiving. While Grace Before Meals is a good example of a prayer of thanksgiving, we should get into the habit of thanking God throughout the day for the good things that happen to us and to others.

Praise

Prayers of praise acknowledge God for what He is. As the Catechism of the Catholic Church (Para. 2639) notes, praise "lauds God for his own sake and gives him glory, quite beyond what he does, but simply because HE IS. It shares in the blessed happiness of the pure of heart who love God in faith before seeing him in glory." The Psalms are perhaps the best-known example of prayers of praise. Prayers of love or charity are another form of prayers of praise—expressions of our love for God, the source and object of all love. The Act of Charity, a common morning prayer, is good example of a prayer of praise

We now look at how these different types of prayers can be brought together for Eucharistic Adoration. The first thing is to look at the public format given us by the Church:

COMMUNAL OR PUBLIC ADORATION

Rite of Eucharistic Exposition and Benediction

The structure of the Rite is as follows:

Exposition

Song , Exposition (Procession from the place of Reservation), (Exposition after Mass)

Adoration

Readings, homily, prayers, songs ad libitum (as is desired) or Liturgy of the Hours

Benediction

Eucharistic Song | Prayer | Blessing

Reposition

Reposition (Procession to the place of Reservation) | Acclamation

In the format given above, there are four parts, exposition, adoration, benediction and reposition. Exposition simply means bringing Jesus to the altar either in a monstrance or ciborium. During adoration we are to read the bible, give a reflection, pray, sing, and we are free to arrange these in the order suitable (ad libitum). Then the benediction refers to the blessing with the Eucharist which is preceded by a song (tantum ergo), a prayer (Deus sub...) and then the blessing. Then during the reposition we place the Lord back normally in the Tabernacle.

PRIVATE ADORATION

One can follow the public format above for private adoration. But there are other options. For example, the four quarters adoration.

The Four Quarters Adoration

The first suggestion is: divide the Holy Hour into four 15 minute periods. The second suggestion is for that first 15 minute period: dedicate it to a REALIZATION OF WHO IS PRESENT in the Holy Eucharist. Bible quotations on the Real Presence could be helpful (John 6, Heb. 12:18-24), silent reflection or songs that focus on God's greatness could also help us realize before whom we have come.

A suggestion for the second 15 minutes: devote the time to thoughts and prayers of THANKSGIVING to God as you grasp the wonder of who is present Really: God is with us! the Emmanuel of Christmas. One may pray the Benedictus (Luke 1:67-79) or the magnificat (Luke 46 – 55) or the Nunc Dimittis (Luke 2:29-32) or a thanksgiving psalm (Ps. 117, 136, 100, 139, etc) or songs or personal words of thanksgiving

Next 15 minutes: PETITION. First of all, ask Jesus here present in the Holy Eucharist for the grace that is dearest to him, the grace he wants most for you: the great blessing of REDEMPTION AND ETERNAL SALVATION. Just think, for some time what that means . . . for you, for each member of your family, your friends, people of your neighborhood and parish, for all mankind. Think of how marvelous that would be if all would be so blessed: to be in heaven for all eternity! Pray for that! Beg for it.

"Come to me all you who labor and are burdened and I will refresh you." For this he was in agony. Pray for conversions. Pray for particular people, those who are away from the Church and the Sacraments. Pray for the sick and lonely, the discouraged, our youth, the unborn, our country, its leaders.

Pray for our Holy Father, and for all priests and religious that they may be so influenced by grace that they will be effective instruments doing the work of God. Pray for vocations to complete the work of Christ. Pray for the grace to know the will of God always in your own life. Pray for peace, God's peace in the hearts of all.

Dedicate the last 15 minutes of the Holy Hour to ATONEMENT. For sins committed against God and one another. One can use a psalm (130, 51) or a hymn, song, or personal words. Sins of commission like the ten commandments. Blasphemies against the Trinity, the Eucharist, Our Lady and the Saints. Attacks against the church and sins of church leaders and members. Personal sins, sins of family members, sins of our communities and countries

OTHER FORMATS

Format A

Songs of praise and worship

Atonement (Saying sorry for our sins)

Petition (Ask and you shall receive)

Thanksgiving

Silent Adoration

Format B

Devotions (Precious Blood, Holy Name, Rosary, Divine Mercy, etc): We pray our devotional prayers with songs of praise, thanksgiving, petition, and atonement. And end with Silent Adoration (This is very important and should last for more than 15 minutes).

Format C

Under this format we consider the possibility of using just one type of prayer for the whole adoration period. One can have praise alone, worship alone, intercession alone or silence alone (adoration with the heart)

Format D

In this format we do PERSONAL PRAYER WITH SILENCE. By personal prayer we mean we talking to Jesus about everything that is going on in our lives and the lives of our loved ones and society. After the long talk, we spend the rest of the time in silent adoration.

DISTRACTION

Distraction is the wandering of the mind during prayer. It is normal and common experience of all who pray. What one ought to do is to turn the distraction into a prayer or just bring the mind back to the prayer. There is no need to get worried or agitated. Everybody experiences distraction in adoration.

LENT AND EASTER 2018

Written by Mena Ekua Feneba (M.E.F.)

Lent is the solemn period in the Church's calendar when the Church prepares for the resurrection of Our Saviour on Easter through fasting, prayer, alms and self-mortification. Lent 2018 began on the 14th of February with Ash Wednesday and fasting.

At St James, two Masses; one in the morning and another in the evening were held for administering ashes (from the blessed palm fronds from the Feast of Palm Sunday the previous year). The fast entailed a one primary meal with two lesser meals with respect to food, and abstinence from meat on Fridays. It also variously included eschewing any known bad habits, attitudes or ways. Parishioners were encouraged to give alms to the poor, make prayers for the unwary and suffer with Christ in His Passion. Stations of the Cross were a staple for Lenten Fridays with Teachings in between.

Fasting and Prayers were for forty days. The Sunday before Easter was the Palm Sunday which saw the entire Congregation welcoming Christ into Jerusalem for His triumphant entry therein. The Altar was impeccably bathed in green with palm branches for a colourful display. Palm Sunday begun the Holy Week which culminated in the Easter Triduum. The Triduum started with Holy Thursday at which three different Oils in the Church were unveiled namely: Oil of Chrism (used during Confirmation), Baptismal Oil and Oil for the Sick.

Holy Thursday marked Christ's Last Supper with his disciples at which the Lord instituted the Holy Sacrament of the Eucharist and of the Priesthood. Father Daniel led the homily and spoke about the need for followers of Christ to adopt the attitude of being servants to one another: 'You call me Lord, and rightly so, your Lord I am. Therefore, if I your Lord, have washed your feet, then deign to wash each other's feet.' 'Understand what I do for you, and serve one another as I have served you.' In Israel, it was the servants who washed travellers' feet as a welcome. But Jesus Christ did it for his disciples and commanded us to do likewise for one another. He who seeks to be the greatest must be the servant.

On Good Friday morning, the Congregation endured a long walk to suffer a little with Jesus via participation in the Stations of the Cross through the Osu high streets. This was led by Rev. Father Prince and the St James Youth. The 'Senior Choir' led the singing with solemn Lenten Hymns for the stations. Curious onlookers came out to see what the march was about. Also in attendance was Rev. Father Daniel Tettedji. At 3'oclock, the Divine Mercy Novena began.

The Passion of Christ was aptly read by the Lay readers and Fr. Prince. The Homily focused on Judas, who though was always in the midst of Jesus, still managed to lose his way. For three years Judas sat with the Lord, cast demons in the Lord's Name and yet he betrayed the Lord. This was an admonition to be careful though seemingly standing, lest we fall and lose our souls.

The Veneration of the Cross continued, followed by Communion Service. At the Good Friday Festivities, the Cross overlooking the sanctuary was veiled with the purple cloth and all the vestments, altar cloth and Priestly attire were all purple. After the Good Friday Service, Parishioners proceeded out of the Church in marked silence.

Holy Saturday marked the end of the Easter Triduum; and the start of the Resurrection on Easter. The atmosphere in the Church was markedly different from that of the previous day. Instead of predominantly black and red mourning clothes, everyone was clothed in their white raiment.

The Mass began with the Easter Proclamation. The Bonfire was made, signifying the Pillar of Fire through the Vigil during the Exodus. The Pascal Candle led us into Church, Christ our Light and an indication that any situation that seems impossible, God will make a way. There were four Old Testament Readings. The Gloria was sang and the intoning of the Alleluiah of which we had been starved of for 40 days.

There was an exposition on the Resurrection; which is for our cleansing, purification, and restoration (restoring us to innocence). We were reminded that the Church exists for our Salvation – and it was important that we stop the unnecessary sentiments in Church. The homily also focused on the need to stop the gossip and bickering inside the Church.

EASTER CLIMAX

The 40 days were climaxed with Easter Sunday when Christ was already risen. In the Homily, our attention was drawn to Mary Magdalene who had a 'past' yet because of her fidelity to Jesus, became a witness of the Resurrection. The Resurrection helps us overcome Sin (Original, Venial (the desire to sin), and Wilful sins); Suffering; Death; and the Forces of Darkness. With Christ's Resurrection, there is no need to be afraid.

The way to make the Resurrection meaningful was through connecting to God; by first believing, and through prayer: singing, praying the Divine Mercy, the Holy Rosary, and sometimes going on pilgrimages. Easter followed with a Power Packed Holy Hour Celebration on Easter Thursday with 25 visiting Priests who did the laying on of hands on all Parishioners present.

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WOMAN TO WOMAN

By Ayesha-Andrea Apedoe

Many young women in today's churches long to have mentors but they have difficulty finding older women willing to step into that role. This is so, because some older women feel unqualified, bewildered and fearful of over committing; but what's really involved? A simple question is, what does it take to be a mentor? Is it perfection, good motherhood or some formal training?

While we may want to analyze Titus 2:3-5, we should first and foremost, understand that perfection hardly exists in the real world but one can only strive to do that which is right. Women are called to choose the righteous path to meet the criteria of a Titus 2 Woman. We hear of Apostle Paul's exhortation for older women to mentor their young counterparts because they have the experience of wisdom and have learned to cope with the responsibilities of life. This positions them to teach younger women what they gleaned from both their successes and failures.

"Likewise, teach the older women to be reverent in the way they live, not to be slanderers or addicted to much wine but to teach what is good. They can train the younger women..... (Titus 2:3). Here, as an imperfect woman who made certain mistakes but chose the right path, is still expected to be a role model, directing the younger women to the path of righteousness. This wise and experienced woman can quit feeling inadequate by saying "I didn't do it right but I'll pick up the Bible and learn from the Lord and even through my mistakes, I can still teach and point others towards Christ." Through the sincerity of her heart, she receives special grace from God to effectively mentor her younger counterpart because she exhibits humility, reverence for God and her husband and all other qualities essential to godliness. Women's Ministries also need the input of older women with experience for the enhancement of women in general and also the growth of the church.

"..... they are to train the young women to love their husbands and children to be self – controlled, pure, working at home, kind and submissive to their own husbands, that the word of God may not be reviled." (Titus 2:5) It is very imprudent for younger women to disrespect older women and what they have to offer. They stand to gain more if they become receptive towards guidance and direction.

For a woman to submit to her husband is very much relevant today! Men are therefore encouraged to step up to exhibit what God entrusted them with, to enable their wives, willingly, place themselves under their authority.

As women who have been commissioned to collaborate with each other, it will be very pleasing to The Lord for the older ones to desist from all forms of unnecessary jealousies and self-absorption and be available with timely and godly advice that can make a difference for the young ones who are without any anchor. It is not too necessary to be a Bible scholar or a trained Psychologist to be a great mentor but just the desire from a good heart to help, with the backing of the Holy Spirit. She is to be whom one desires to be. This way, the young woman emulates her godly character to aspire to be a great mentor some day. She benefits maximally from submitting to training as she also helps the older woman to think creatively so that they can both enjoy a different way of seeing the world.

Let all women be urged to envisage a life of setting themselves on a trajectory to be fruitful, faithful, fragrant, gracious women of God. May He grant us a teachable spirit all the way through our last breath.

BE CLEAN INSIDE OUT

By Cynthia Nimo-Ampredū

Many of us pay attention to only spiritual cleanliness when we think of inviting God into our lives. However, it is not enough to be clean inside and dirty outside. The old adage, 'cleanliness is next to godliness' will continue to be relevant so long as the world continues to exist. It is even more relevant to Christians because our external cleanliness is equally important as our hearts to God.

In Genesis, God brought about orderliness and beauty to a shapeless void filled with water and darkness. He purposefully created everything, one after the other, placing them where they ought to be. Jesus did not take it lightly when merchants turned His Father's temple into a market place (Matthew 21:12). Can you imagine the chaos? Deuteronomy 23: 12-14 provides a strong affirmation that God despises filth. He dwells in beauty and glory (Revelations 4). Therefore, if we wish for Him to remain with us in our homes, offices, Church or any other place, we must keep our environment clean.

An advocacy on national sanitation has been ongoing for some time now. How do you intend to contribute or are you indifferent? Remember, this responsibility is as much our leaders' as it is ours because God made each one of us a steward of His creation (Genesis 2:28) and we will be held accountable.

Interestingly, the little things we ignore are the things that make the most impact. United Kingdom is considering banning plastic straws and cotton buds. Yes, cotton buds! Non-biodegradable waste are harmful to our environment and not even the tiniest ones must be ignored! Many of us don't even realise how much we contribute to destroying the earth when we bite the sachet water pack and unconsciously spit out that tiny rubber. Those tiny pieces cause more damage to our environment than the bigger plastics because they hide in the tiniest of places and eventually choke the earth and our water bodies.

To successfully embark on a sanitation campaign, we need to change our attitudes and be more sanitation disciplined and conscious. Dear Reader, the next time you get sachet water, do not bite off the tip of the plastic completely so you can dispose of the entire pack as a whole. Let's also try to separate our plastic trash from others.

We must learn to dispose of trash properly at home instead of dropping it all around us which will in fact causes us embarrassment when we receive unexpected guests. If you find yourself in possession of trash, keep it until you are able to find the dustbin and dispose of it. Courtesy is said to begin at home. Let us also prompt others in our homes to do same. Such consciousness will translate into how we handle trash in public spaces.

For the sake of public health and sanitation, let us also desist from using the public space for disposing of our body waste. Spitting and urinating in public is unacceptable. Using the bathroom has the add-on benefit of making us practice personal hygiene through hand washing and avoid passing on infections, though inadvertently, to others.

Dear reader, be sanitation conscious and disciplined. Be a proper steward of God's creation in order to keep Him close. The next time you think of littering, think about how that conduct tells God that you are ungrateful for His gift.

The Vine and the Branches

"I am the vine: you are the branches. If a man remains in me and I in him, he will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing.," John 15:5 (NIV)



The puzzle is based on John 15:1-8

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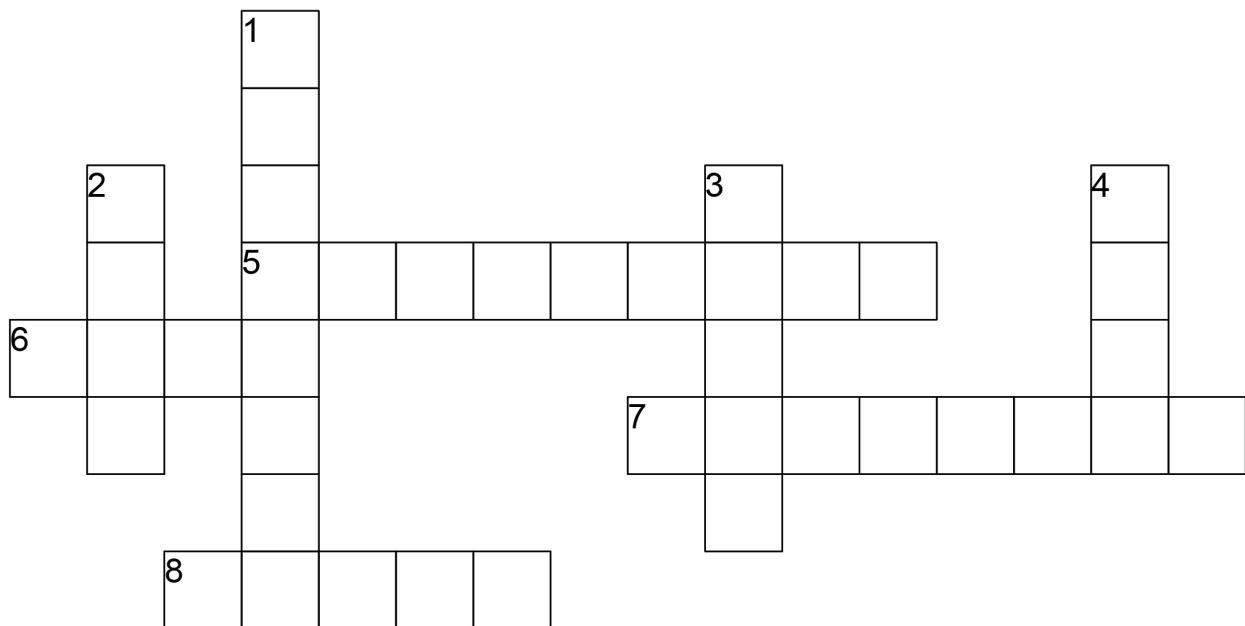
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ACROSS

5. Those who follow Jesus
6. The opposite of false
7. Arms that grow out from the trunk of a tree
8. The part of a vine or tree which is eaten

DOWN

1. A person who works with plants and flowers
2. Burning flame
3. Praise or honor
4. A plant that climbs or creeps along the ground

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WEEKDAY ACTIVITIES

Mondays

Bible sharing (6:15pm - 7:30pm)

Youth Choir (7:00pm - 9:00pm)

Tuesdays

St. Anthony's Guild (6:30pm - 7:30pm)

Wednesdays

Church Choir (6:30pm - 8:30pm)

Thursdays

Youth Choir (7:00pm - 9:00pm)

Charismatic Renewal (6:30pm - 7:30pm)

Fridays

Church Choir (6:30pm - 8:30pm)

Sacred heart Confraternity (6:30pm - 7:30pm)



Eucharistic Adoration

Thursday preceding the first Friday of the month.

Day born groups

Last Sunday of the month after Mass or by announcement.

Faith Bookshop

Monday - Friday, 8:00am - 7:30pm

Saturdays 3:00pm - 7:30pm

Sundays 9:30am - 1:30pm