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MASS SCHEDULE
HORARIO DE MISAS

Saturday/Sábado
5:00 pm English

Sunday/Domingo
10:00 am English
12:30 pm Español

Tuesday-Thursday / Martes-Jueves
8:15 am English

First Friday/Primer Viernes
10:00 am English

CONFESION/CONFESIÓN:

Saturday/Sábado
4:00-4:45 pm or by appointment. O con cita

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY/
SACRAMENTO DEL MATRIMONIO

Please call the Parish Office for appointment (6 months of marriage preparation required).
Favor de hablar a la oficina para una cita (6 meses de preparacion requerida).

BAPTISM/BAUTISMOS

Please call the parish office. *Favor de hablar a la oficina.*

MASS INTENTIONS/INTENCIÓNES PARA LAS MISAS

Please visit the parish office. *Favor de hablar a la oficina.*

CONFIRMATION/CONFIRMACIÓN

Confirmation is every year with a 2 year preparation. La confirmacion se realiza cada año con una preparacion de 2 años.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION/EDUCACIÓN RELIGIOSA

Grades K-6/Grados K-6:
Sundays/Domingo 11:00 am -12:15 pm
Grades 7-12/Grados 7-12:
Wednesdays/Miércoles 7:00 pm

FIRST RECONCILIATION & FIRST COMMUNION/PRIMERA RECONCILIACIÓN Y PRIMERA COMUNIÓN

Children in first grade must be enrolled in the Parish School/Parish School of Religion (PSR) to receive the sacrament in second grade. *Los niños en primer grado deben estar inscritos en la Escuela Parroquial/Escuela Parroquial de Religión (PSR) para recibir el sacramento en segundo grado.*

EMAUS: Invites you to pray the Holy Rosary every Saturday at 7:50 am. *Se les invita a rezar el Santo Rosario cada sábado a las 7:50 am.*

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Welcome to the Catholic Community of
St. Lawrence Catholic Church

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Parish Office 417-235-3286 Parish School 417-235-3721 405 7th Street, Monett, MO 65708

Digital bulletins available at www.stlawrencemonett.com

Office Hours/Horas de Oficina: Monday-Friday/Lunes-Viernes 9:00am-3:00pm

Please remember St. Lawrence Church and School in your will.

Parish Mission Statement/ *Misión Parroquial*

"We children of God and the Catholic community of St. Lawrence parish are committed to the worship of God and the spreading of the Gospel of Jesus Christ through education and our living example of love and concern for all the people of our area."

"Los hijos de Dios y la comunidad Católica de la parroquia de San Lorenzo estamos comprometidos con la adoración a Dios y la difusión del Evangelio de Jesucristo a través de la educación y nuestro ejemplo vivo de amor y preocupación por todas las personas de nuestra área".

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION

Due to weather concerns, we will not have first Friday adoration during the months of March and April 2026. There will still be a mass, but no adoration following.

PARISH DIRECTORY

We are working to prepare the other content needed for the directory, including current parishioners. A printed list will be at the back of church for you to check your contact information. If you aren't listed, or your data is incorrect, please fill out a registration form and drop it in the collection. You can also call or come by the office.

DONOR CONTRIBUTION LETTERS

Printed donor letters for contributions over \$250 can be found in the back of church. These are in alphabetic order by last name. Please pick yours up as soon as possible.

WEEKLY COLLECTION

February 1, 2026

Envelopes/Loose Checks	\$4,749.00
Loose Bills/Change	\$1,311.00
Church in Latin America	\$650.50
Children's Collection	\$33.20
Mass Offerings	\$140.00
School Support	\$470.00
Outreach	\$193.00
Maintenance Fund	\$120.00
Sacred Heart Reimbursement	\$2,123.00
The Mirror	\$14.00
Advertising	\$375.00
 Total	 \$10,178.70

ASH WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE

St. Lawrence

12:00pm Ash Distribution only
6:00pm Ash Wednesday Mass-Bilingual

Sacred Heart

8:00am Ash Wednesday Mass
8:00pm Ash Wednesday Mass

PRAYER REQUESTS

If you have a prayer request, please call Joan McNerney (417) 235-3836 or Marlene Hayes (417) 235-5524

SECOND COLLECTIONS

- Feb. 18th—Central & Eastern Europe

SCHOOL NEWS

Last Sunday we celebrated an all school mass to conclude Catholic Schools Week. Thank you to all the students, families and parishioners that could attend! It was a beautiful liturgy that brought us together in prayer and community. Our student lectors, servers, ushers gift bearers and singers did a wonderful job. We are truly grateful to have Christ at the center and the support of the parish. No one seemed to want the donuts reception after mass—the company and the Great Dave's coffee was superb. This week we got together with St. Mary's parish on Friday morning for a mass in common as students in Catholic schools. Fostering friendship among all our children is a wonderful things and faith can be unique and special bond between friends. We saw the students worship and pray together, then crush several dozen donuts and have time to chat and play.

PSR ANNOUNCEMENTS

PSR fees need to be paid as soon as possible!
As we continue through this liturgical year, I want to share some wonderful updates regarding our Parish School of Religion (PSR). Our community is currently blessed with approximately 120 students who are growing deeper in their relationship with Christ and learning the beauty of our Catholic faith.

I am incredibly proud of these students for their dedication and curiosity. I also want to express my deepest gratitude to our volunteer catechists. Their selfless commitment to sharing the Gospel is the heartbeat of our program, and we are truly fortunate to have such faithful mentors for our youth.

Please join us in prayer for those preparing for their upcoming sacraments:

- **First Holy Communion:** Saturday, April 11th. This special day also falls on the Memorial of St. Stanislaus, a powerful example of courage and devotion to the Eucharistic.
- **Sacrament of Confirmation:** Wednesday, May 13th. This celebration occurs on the Feast of Our Lady of Fatima, reminding our confirmandi of the call to prayer and the intercession of our Blessed Mother.

Thank you for your continued support and for being a "home-place" for these families as they raise the next generation of saints.

Yours in Christ,
Jim Haston, Director of Religious Education
Deacon Candidate

DIOCESAN NEWS

The Gathering

Registration for The Gathering is open! If you minister with youth in 7th-12 grades, this "gathering" is for you! **The Gathering will be held February 27-28** at the Landing, Van Buren, MO

The 2026 Missouri Catholic Summit

The Diocese of Jefferson City is inviting young adults Catholics (18-25 years old) to attend the Missouri Catholic Summit (MCS) on **February 28**. Registrants can purchase coffee and t-shirts at the summit, but registration for this event is 100% free (including lunch and dinner). Any young adults interested in this opportunity to celebrate the Catholic faith with their peers in Missouri are encouraged to learn more about the Missouri Catholic Summit and register at the official webpage: <https://diojeffcity.org/mo-catholic-summit/>

Chrism Mass

Tuesday, March 31 in St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish, Springfield *updated location due to the construction at St. Agnes Cathedral*

2026 Catholic Men's Conference

Join hundreds of men for a day of life-changing motivation at the 7th annual Catholic Men's Conference on Sat., Feb. 21st, at Springfield Catholic High School. Keynote speaker, Marcel LeJeune, will help you take your faith to the next level. He has decades of experience leading men closer to Christ so they can lead those around them to Christ.

Parish Council of Catholic Women

Collection of \$10 dues continues and can be placed in the collection basket in an envelope clearly marked PCCW dues. Please include your name and contact number. PCCW is beginning the process of updating our Circles. Circles are groups of women who work together to provide assistance for projects such as funeral dinners, Fall Feast dinner and Salad Luncheon fundraiser. Mark your calendar for our next meeting on March 2. We will be making plans for the Salad Luncheon that is scheduled for April 22.



PRAY FOR THE SICK

Barbara Alvarez; Sarah Sylvain Isidor(Father's Mom); Maria Padilla; Juan Cecenas; Maria Rueda; Parker Laning; Rosemary Schmidt; Kenneth Wrobleksi; Bob DeGraff; Irene Cavazos; Loretta Hurlbut; Debbie Erwin; Corey Sandwisch; Regina Peterson; Erin Hunt; Patty Burke; Joan McNerney. To put a name in the bulletin or arrange a visit for sick or homebound parishioners, please call the parish office.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS & LADIES AUXILIARY**

- ◆ Meetings held every 1st Sunday of the month at 6:00pm in the church basement.
- ◆ Join us in praying the rosary, every Saturday before Mass at 4:30pm and before Mass on the 5th Sunday at 9:30am.
- ◆ **Fish Fry's**—Fish Fry's are coming up quick. The first one is Feb. 20th at 5pm, we need volunteers. PSR students can get service hours for volunteers for confirmation. For more information please contact Ed Velten at 417-235-9638 or John Velten at 417-489-4266
- ◆ **Christmas in July Bazaar**—July 18th if you are interested in having a booth or a food truck please talk to Lynda or Suzie

FINANCIAL CORNER

Financial Corner	Dec 2025	Dec 2024
Regular Operations		
Sunday Contributions	\$ 29,247.42	\$ 30,611.71
Other Income *	\$ 14,672.02	\$ 4,117.30
Endowment/Cemetery/School Support	\$ 2,447.31	\$ 2,562.00
Collections for Diocese projects	\$ 5,120.00	\$ 2,103.00
2nd Collections/Non-revenue/Other	\$ 4,360.53	\$ 2,476.05
Total Operational Income	\$ 55,847.28	\$ 41,870.06
Expenses		
Operational Expenses	\$ 20,734.79	\$ 25,197.04
School/Parish Education Expenses	\$ 13,406.00	\$ 14,203.99
Payouts to Diocese/2nd Collections	\$ 5,936.28	\$ 3,155.19
Total Expense	\$ 40,077.07	\$ 42,556.22
Net Income (Net Loss)	\$ 15,770.21	\$ (686.16)

*Masses/Stole fees, Votive candles, Religious goods, Advertising

February 8, 2026

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

ENGLISH LECTORS

Saturday 5:00pm

- **February 7th**.....Jim Haston
- **February 14th**.....Al Dohmen
- **February 21st**.....Nikki Pierce

Sunday 10:00am

- **February 8th**....Youth
- **February 15th**....Angie Madison
- **February 22nd**....Sonie Probstfield

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Saturday 5:00pm

- **February 7th**—Al Dohmen, Geri Carey, Nikki Pierce, Katelyn Conley, Agnes Bruner
- **February 14th**—Jim Haston, Marilyn Ceselski, Jason Ceselski, Ashley Ceselski, Geri Cary
- **February 21st**—Jim Haston, Teresa Verhoff, Aaron Holmes, Al Dohmen, Kirk Verhoff

Sunday 10:00am

- **February 8th**—Youth
- **February 15th**—Jay Jastal, Emma Outhouse, Jerry Hudson, Judy Hudson, Ann Saunders
- **February 22nd**—Ed Velten, Lynda Velten, Cathy Velten, John Velten, Suzie/Tim Curry

SERVERS 10AM MASS

- **February 8th**—Youth
- **February 15th**—Isaac Saunders, Pedro Contreras, Johana Piedra
- **February 22nd**—Alex Apostol, Francisco Salas, Fernando Salas, Uriel Marcos

February 8, 2026

1st Read: Isaiah 58:7-10; **Psalm:** Psalm 112:4-9;

2nd Read: 1 Corinthians 2:1-5; **Gospel:** Matthew 5:13-16

February 9, 2026

1st Read: 1 Kings 8:1-7,9-13; **Psalm:** Psalm 132:6-10; **Gospel:** Mark 6:53-56

February 10, 2026

1st Read: 1 Kings 8:22-23,27-30; **Psalm:** Psalm 84:3-5,10-11; **Gospel:** Mark 7:1-13

February 11, 2026

1st Read: 1 Kings 10:1-10; **Psalm:** Psalm 37: 5-6,30-31,39-40; **Gospel:** Mark 7:14-23

February 12, 2026

1st Read: 1 Kings 11:4-13; **Psalm:** Psalm 106:34-37,40; **Gospel:** Mark 7:24-30

February 13, 2026

1st Read: 1 Kings 11:29-32; **Psalm:** Psalm 81:10-15; **Gospel:** Mark 7:31-37

February 14, 2026

1st Read: 1 Kings 12:26-32; **Psalm:** Psalm 106:6-7,19-22; **Gospel:** Mark 8:1-10

WEEKLY CALENDAR/ CALENDARIO SEMANAL

SATURDAY, FEB. 7TH: BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

4:00 pm Confessions
5:00 pm Mass - Monett +Michael Schmidt, Sonny Bertalotto and Alicia Valenzuela

SUNDAY, FEB. 8TH: 5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00 am Mass - Verona
10:00 am Mass - Monett + Todd Storms and Doris Case
11:15 am PSR
12:30 pm Misa - Monett - Spanish +Vicente Soriano, Rito Barrientos, Omar Mijares, Simona Salas y Fidel Ayala; Special Intention for Apolonio and Esperanza Rueda
2:00 pm EMAUS Meeting-Conference Room

MONDAY, FEB. 9TH

6:00 pm Prayer Group

TUESDAY, FEB. 10TH: ST. SCHOLASTICA

8:15 am Mass - Monett +Olen & Berniece Morris, Jerry Monto
6:00 pm Rosary (Spanish)
7:00 pm OCIA

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 11TH: OUR LADY OF LOURDES; WORLD DAY OF THE SICK

8:00am Mass - Verona
6:30 pm Youth Group
7:00 pm PSR

THURSDAY, FEB. 12TH

8:15 am Mass - Monett -healing for Loretta Hurlbut; +Dolores, Melchor and Juana Apostol

FRIDAY, FEB. 13TH

8:00 am Mass - Verona
1:00 pm Dominoes/Puzzles - Church Basement

SATURDAY, FEB. 14TH: SS CYRIL AND METHODIUS; VALENTINE'S DAY

4:00 pm Confessions
5:00 pm Saturday Mass Monett +Jack McCaffrey and Mary Jo Sweeney

SUNDAY, FEB. 15TH: 6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00 am Mass -Verona
10:00 am Mass - Monett +Lynnix Curry and Doris Mason
11:00 am PSR
12:30 pm Misa - Monett - Spanish Mass
5:00 pm Misa - Verona - Spanish Mass

NOTICIAS ESCOLARES

El domingo pasado celebramos una misa con toda la comunidad escolar para concluir la Semana de las Escuelas Catolicas. ¡Gracias a todos los estudiantes, familias y feligreses que pudieron asistir! Fue una hermosa liturgia que no unio en oracion y comunidad. Nuestros lectores, acolitos, ujieres, poradores de ofrendas y cantantes hicieron un trabajo maravilloso.

Estamos realmente agradecidos de tener a Cristo en el centro y de contar con el apoyo de la parroquia. Nadie parecia querer perderse la recepcion con donas despues de la misa; la compania y el cafe de Great Dave's fueron excelentes.

Esta semana, el viernes por la mañana, nos reunimos con la parroquia de St. Mary's para una misa conjunta con los estudiantes de las escuelas catolicas. Fomentar la Amistad entre todos nuestros ninos es algo maravilloso, y la fe puede ser un vinculo unico y especial entre amigos. Vimos a los estudiantes adorar y orar juntos, luego disfrutar de varias docenas de donas y tener tiempo para conversar y jugar.

HORARIO DEL MIERCOLES DE CENIZA

San Lorenzo

12:00pm Imposicion de ceniza solamente
6:00pm Misa del Miércoles de Ceniza (bilingue)

Sagrada Corazon

8:00am Misa del Miércoles de Ceniza
8:00pm Misa del Miércoles de Ceniza

ADORACION DEL PRIMER VIERNES

Debido a las condiciones climaticas, no tendremos la adoracion del primer viernes durante los meses de marzo y abril de 2026. Habra misa, pero no habra adoracion posterior.

8 de Febrero de 2026

Primera: Isaias 58:7-10; **Salmo:** Salmo 111:4-9;
Segunda: 1 Corintios 2:1-5; **Evangelio:** Mateo 5:13-16

9 de Febrero de 2026

Primera: 1 Reyes 8:1-7,9-13; **Salmo:** Salmo 131:6-10; **Evangelio:** Marcos 6:53-56

10 de Febrero de 2026

Primera: 1 Reyes 8:22-23,27-30; **Salmo:** Salmo 83:3-5,10-11; **Evangelio:** Marcos 7:1-13

11 de Febrero de 2026

ANUNCIOS DE PSR

¡Las cuotas del programa de educacion religiosa (PSR) deben pagarse lo antes posible! Estimados feligreses: ¡Paz y bendiciones para todos! Mientras continuamos este año liturgico, quiero compartirles algunas noticias maravillosas sobre nuestro Programa de Educacion Religiosa Parroquial (PSR). Nuestra comunidad cuenta actualmente con aproximadamente 120 estudiantes que profundizan su relacion con Cristo y aprenden la belleza de nuestra fe catolica. Estoy increiblemente orgulloso de estos estudiantes por su dedicacion y curiosidad. Tambien quiero expresar mi mas profundo agradecimiento a nuestros catequistas voluntarios. Su compromiso desinteresado de compartir el Evangelio es el Corazon de nuestro programa, y somos verdaderamente afortunados de contar con mentores tan fieles para nuestros jovenes. Les invitamos a unirse a nosotros en oracion por quienes se preparan para recibir sus proximos sacramentos: **Primera comunión:** Sabado 11 de abril. Esta dia especial coincide con la conmemoracion de San Estanislao, un poderoso ejemplo de Valentia y devacion a la Eucaristia. **Sacramento de la Confirmacion:** miercoles 13 de mayo. Esta celebracion tiene lugar en la Fiesta de Nuestra Senora de Fatima, recordando a nuestros confirmacndos el llamado a la oracion y la intercession de nuestra Santisima Madre. Gracias por su continuo apoyo y por ser un hogar para estas familias mientras educan a la proxima generacion de santos.

DIRECTORIO PARROQUIAL

Estamos trabajando para preparar el resto del contenido necesario para el directorio, incluyendo la informacion de los feligreses actuales. En la parte trasera de la iglesia encontraran una lista impresa para que verifiquen sus datos de contacto. Si no aparecen en la lista o su informacion es incorrecta, por favor, completen un formulario de registro y depositenlo en la colecta. Tambien pueden llamar o visitar la oficina parroquial.

Primera: 1 Reyes 10:1-10; **Salmo:** Salmo 36:5-6,30-31,39-40; **Evangelio:** Marcos 7:14-23

12 de Febrero de 2026

Primera: 1 Reyes 11:4-13; **Salmo:** Salmo 5:3-4,35-37,40; **Evangelio:** Marcos 7:24-30

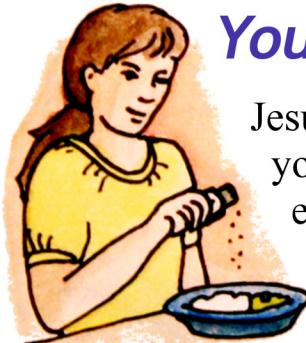
13 de Febrero de 2026

Primera: 1 Reyes 11:29-32; **Salmo:** Salmo 80:10-15; **Evangelio:** Marcos 7:31-37

14 de Febrero de 2026

Primera: 1 Reyes 12:26-32; **Salmo:** Salmo 105:6-7,19-22; **Evangelio:** Marcos 8:1-10

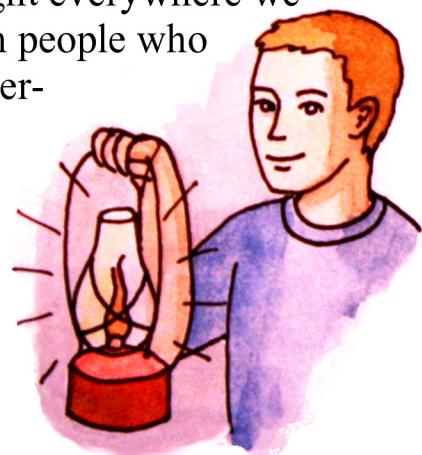
You are the Salt and Light!



Jesus says we are the salt of the earth. Have you ever tasted food that wasn't salty enough? It can taste pretty bland. But do you notice when food has the right amount of salt? Usually we don't think about it. It's kind of hiding in the food and making it taste good. Jesus wants us to be like the "salt" in the world, with the goodness and truth that He gives us.

Jesus also says that we are the light of the world. Can you imagine a completely dark world: no sun or lights or anything? It would be pretty scary. You'd never know what was happening or where you were going. That's what the world can be like for people who don't have the light of God's truth. It's our job to bring the truth to the world so that everyone can see that God loves them.

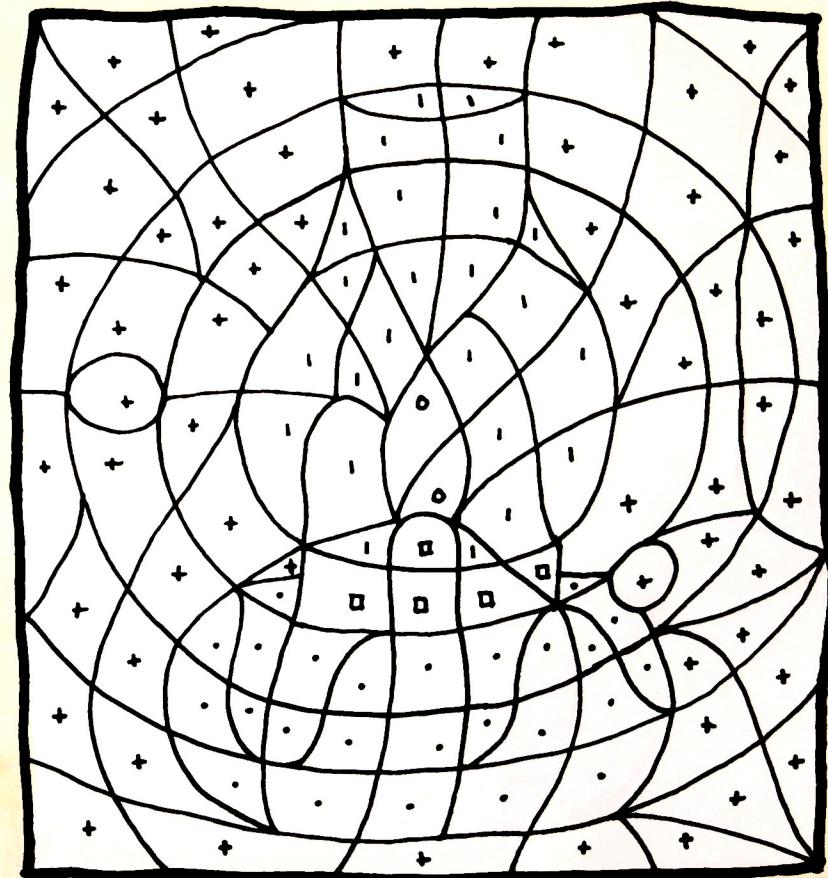
We have to bring God's light everywhere we go. But we must be gentle with people who don't understand the truth. Otherwise it would be like shining a light in someone's eyes, and they wouldn't be able to see anything. We need to start out like little candles, lighting the way so that people can follow us toward God.



Answers to Cross-word Puzzle:
Across: 4. must 6. earth 8. you 9. needs 13. mountain 14. all 16. light 18. so 19. house 20. taste 21. to
Down: 1. city 2. Jesus 3. are 5. said 7. hidden 10. world 11. salt 12. basket 15. loses 17. good 18. set

The Kids' Bulletin

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 8th, 2026



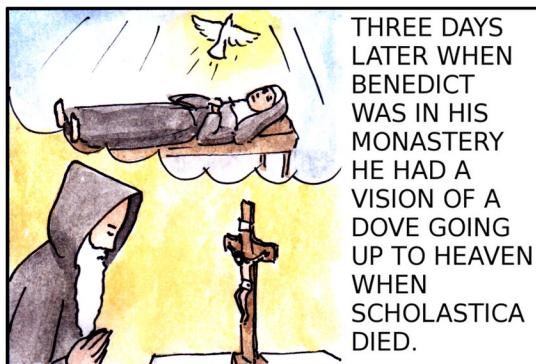
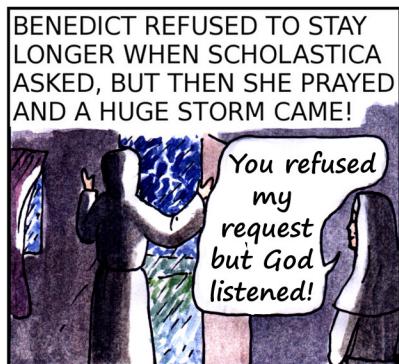
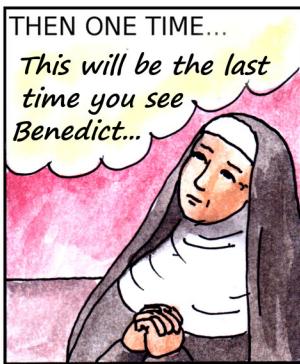
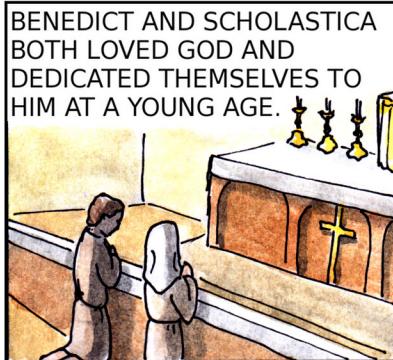
Matt 5:13-16

*What did Jesus tell us we should be like?
Colour in the spaces according to the code to find out!*

- blue
- white
- red

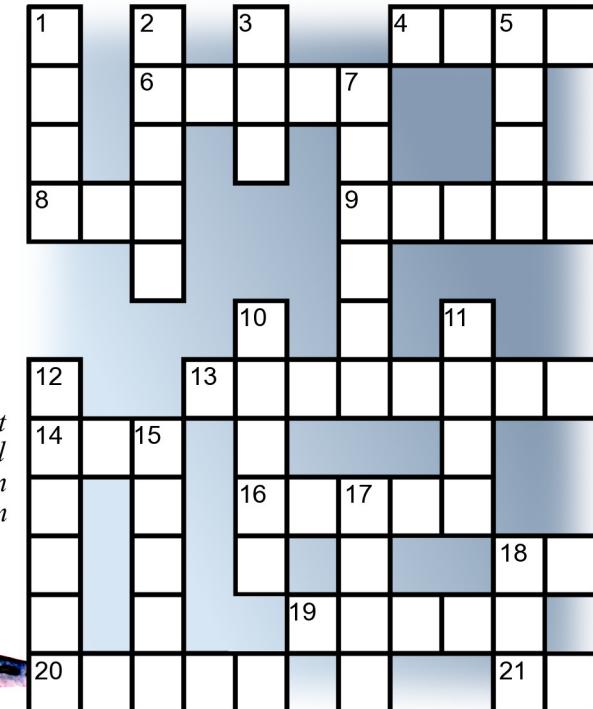
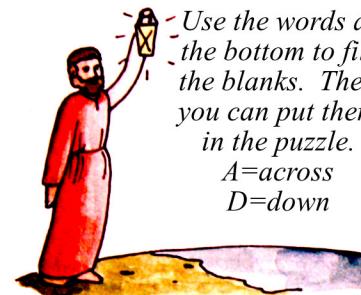
Saint Scholastica

February 10



SAINT SCHOLASTICA AND HER BROTHER SAINT BENEDICT ARE A GREAT EXAMPLE TO US OF HOW BROTHERS AND SISTERS CAN HELP EACH OTHER TO BECOME HOLY. DO YOU EVER PRAY WITH YOUR BROTHERS OR SISTERS OR FRIENDS? YOU CAN HELP EACH OTHER BECOME SAINTS!

Salt and Light Crossword Puzzle



_____ 2D _____ 5D to his disciples: "You are the _____ 11D of the _____ 6A But if salt _____ 15D its _____ 20A with what can it be seasoned? It is no longer _____ 17D for anything but _____ 21A be thrown out and trampled underfoot. _____ 8A _____ 3D the light of the _____ 10D A _____ 1D set on a _____ 13A cannot be _____ 7D Nor do they light a lamp and then put it under a bushel _____ 12D it is _____ 18D on a lampstand, where it gives _____ 16A to _____ 14A in the _____ 19A Just _____ 18A your light _____ 4A shine before others, that they may see your good _____ 9A and glorify your heavenly Father."

MUST JESUS MOUNTAIN CITY LIGHT
SAID DEEDS BASKET EARTH WORLD
GOOD HOUSE HIDDEN YOU SET ALL
SALT TASTE LOSES ARE SO TO