**Grade 6, 7, 8 Make-Up**

**Sunday, October 15/Monday October 16**

Please submit thoughtful answers to the numbered items below ***in an email*** to

[rburbrink@saint-max.org](mailto:rburbrink@saint-max.org) within 2 weeks of the missed class.

***Time with the Gospel***

1. *Do you know what a trick question is?*

*In this Sunday’s Gospel, the Pharisees ask Jesus a trick question in hopes of injuring his credibility and getting him into trouble. Read the first part of the Gospel, Matthew 22:15-17. Pause before Jesus answers the Pharisees.*

1. *If Jesus says that the tax should be paid to Caesar, he would be considered guilty of false worship since the Romans believe the emperor to be divine. On the other hand, if Jesus says the tax should not be paid, he would be encouraging disobedience to Roman laws, which would be sedition. What do you think the Pharisees hoped that Jesus would say?*

*Finish reading the Gospel, Matthew 22:18-21.*

1. *What do you think Jesus meant when he told the Pharisees to give God what was due to God?*
2. *Why does Jesus think the Pharisees who question him are hypocrites?*

*Think about the times when you do not give God what is due to God. Even though there are times when we are not the person that God wants us to be—when we are not loyal to God—we can always ask forgiveness. When you are faced with choices this week, think about whether or not your decisions will honor your loyalty to God.*

***Beyond the Gospel***

1. *What do we owe to God?*
2. *What do we owe to the Church?*
3. *What do we owe to our community and neighbors?*
4. *Parishes hold special collections during Mass to help people in emergencies or great need. Name two of the greatest needs in the world right now.*
5. *If you received one million dollars, how would you spend it? Be very specific.*