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

**Sunday, November 5/Monday November 6**

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. *If one of your teachers told you that a comprehensive quiz would be given next week, but warned that you would not know on which day, when would you begin to study?*

***We’re all different. Some of us like to get to the task at hand as soon as possible. Others are apt to put off until later what can be done right away. The parable in this Gospel reading speaks to this subject. Read Matthew 25:1–13.***

1. *The ten virgins are young maidens who accompany the bridegroom as he brings his bride to the wedding celebration and her new home. However, the groom was late, and things took longer than expected. As a consequence, what happened to the five foolish virgins?*
2. *What do the oil and lamp symbolize?*

***Jesus often refers to the Kingdom of Heaven as a banquet or wedding feast. In this parable, the bridegroom represents Jesus. It’s one thing to miss a wedding reception, but it’s an entirely different issue to miss the second coming of Jesus at the end of time. We all want to be included in the heavenly banquet. Since Jesus tells us that we don’t know the time of his coming, we have to be prepared always—there’s no putting off readiness.***

1. *What can we do to get ready?*
2. *What is a wise way to keep your lamp burning in your friendship with God?*
3. *For what do you need to prepare this week?*
4. *How can prayer help us to prepare for something important?*
5. *Write a scripture that inspires you.*

***Beyond the Gospel***

November 5 – 11, 2017 is National Vocation Awareness Week. Read Unit One: Lesson Two “God Calls Us to a Specific Vocation in Life” from What Is My Vocation? The link is below. <http://www.usccb.org/beliefs-and-teachings/vocations/educators-and-youth-leaders/lesson-plans/upload/what-my-vocation-junior-high-unit-I.pdf>

1. Write 5 – 8 key points from the article.