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

**Sunday, March 11 and Monday, March 12, 2018**

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. Name 3 – 5 examples of situations where it is important for people to focus on their purpose at the moment.

***During Lent, we focus more intently on what it means to live faithfully as a follower of Jesus. We are approaching the end of Lent, and this Sunday’s Gospel helps us to understand what it means to follow Jesus all the way to his sacrifice on the cross. Notice what Jesus tells his disciples about his prayer as the hour of his death draws near as you read John 12: 20 -33.***

1. What words does Jesus choose not to pray?
2. Why?
3. What prayer does Jesus make instead?
4. What does this tell us about what Jesus was thinking when he thought about his death on the cross?

***This Gospel prepares us to journey with Christ during Holy Week, reminding us that Jesus stayed focused on his purpose and gave glory to God by accepting suffering and death for our salvation. Jesus teaches his disciples and us that those who want to follow him must serve others by thinking about others’ needs before their own. When we do this, we, too, give glory to God.***

1. What might you do between now and Easter to show your willingness to follow Jesus by serving others? List 2 – 3 things.

***Beyond the Gospel***

***God Gathers Us Together as a People***

1. Think of a favorite relative. How does that person ‘plant seeds’ in your life? That is, what positive influence has this person made in your life?
2. Name a loving action you have witnessed-either on social media or in real life –that grew ‘a hundredfold.’
3. These scriptures are related to ‘growing’ in faith…choose 3 and describe what they say about growing in faith.
   * [Ephesians 3:17-19](https://bible.knowing-jesus.com/Ephesians/3/17)
   * [1 Peter 2:2](https://bible.knowing-jesus.com/1-Peter/2/2)
   * [Colossians 3:16](https://bible.knowing-jesus.com/Colossians/3/16)
   * [1 Timothy 4:15](https://bible.knowing-jesus.com/1-Timothy/4/15)
   * [1 Corinthians 13:11](https://bible.knowing-jesus.com/1-Corinthians/13/11)
   * [Hebrews 6:1-2](https://bible.knowing-jesus.com/Hebrews/6/1)
   * [John 15:5](https://bible.knowing-jesus.com/John/15/5)
   * [James 1:2-4](https://bible.knowing-jesus.com/James/1/2)
   * [Romans 5:3-4](https://bible.knowing-jesus.com/Romans/5/3)
   * [2 Corinthians 3:18](https://bible.knowing-jesus.com/2-Corinthians/3/18)