

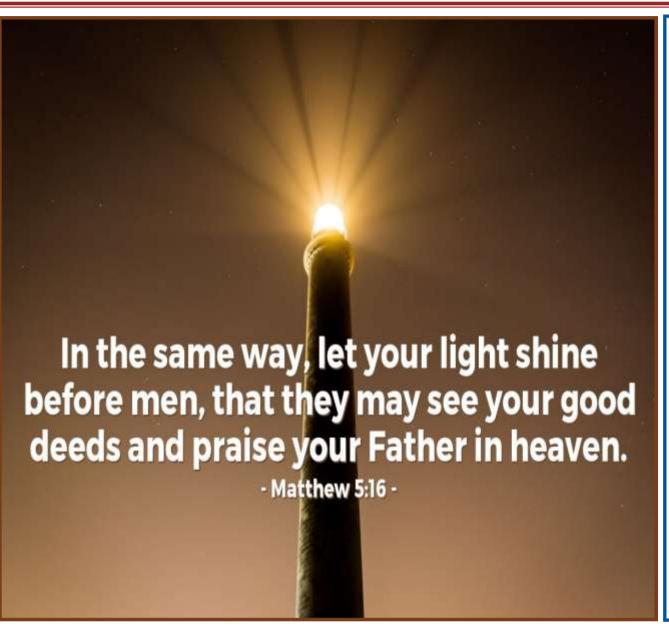
PYMBLE CATHOLIC PARISH

Building a Christ-centred community of Love and Mercy

Word of God Sunday

Pymble Parish is under the Pastoral care of the Salvatorian Fathers





PRAYER FOR THE ASSEMBLY

o God, you revealed yourself in Christ Jesus as loving, merciful and just.
Guide our Bishops of Oceania as they meet together
to further Pope Francis' call to become a listening Church.
Open their hearts to the voice of the Holy Spirit,
that they might truly discern and faithfully serve
the needs of your People and your World.
Colour our way of life and give witness to your presence among us.
You who live and reign, God, for ever and ever.

Amen

Father Bogus and Father Chris will be visiting us next week. You can see Father Chris on

Wednesday 8th
February after our 9am
Mass and you're
welcome to join us for
Morning tea on Sunday
12th February after the
9.30am Mass to catch up
with Father Bogus.



POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR FEBRUARY

For Parishes

We pray that parishes, placing communion at the centre, may increasingly become communities of faith, fraternity and welcome towards those most in need.



Baptisms at Pymble Parish

Please contact the Parish office on 9144 2702 or via email on office@pymblecatholicparish.org.au for Baptism enquiries.

Our upcoming Baptism Formation Class will be held on:

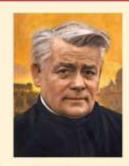
Monday, 13February 2023 7:30pm at Sacred Heart Church

Bookings are essential.



A warm welcome to all our Parishioners who are celebrating the Eucharist with us this weekend.





Prayer for the Intercession of Blessed Francis Jordan

Lord Jesus Christ, Saviour of the world, you called Francis Mary of the Cross Jordan to be your apostle, to make God known and loved by all people everywhere, using all the means your love inspires. You filled him with universal apostolic zeal, with a deep trust in God's loving providence, with a profound spirit of prayer, with a sincere devotion to Mary, Mother of the Saviour, and with the courage to follow you, even into the mystery of the Cross.

Grant also to me the grace to proclaim the Gospel in this spirit, and make me an effective apostle in today's world.

Through the intercession of Blessed Francis Jordan, I pray to you for my special needs (include your personal intention). I make this prayer through you, my Saviour, who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, forever and ever. Amen.

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Parish Team

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Salvatorian Fathers

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Parish Mass Times

Sacred Heart

2 Richard Porter Way, Pymble NSW 2073

Weekdays:

Tuesday to Friday 9:00am

Rosary: Tuesday to Friday after morning Mass

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Friday after morning Mass

Weekend:

Saturday (Vigil Mass): 5:30pm Sunday: 7:45am, 9:30am and 6:00pm

Reconciliation: Friday 8:45am, Saturday 5:00pm

Sunday 5:30pm

Our Lady of Perpetual Succour 64 Kendall St, West Pymble, NSW, 2073

Weekdays:

Tuesday: 12pm

During School Term as advertised in the Parish weekly calendar section

Weekend:

Saturday (Vigil Mass): 9:00am and 5:00pm

Sunday: 9:00am

Reconciliation: Saturday 9:30am

Contact details

Address: 2 Richard Porter Way, Pymble, NSW 2073 **Postal address:** PO BOX 231 Turramurra NSW 2074

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Email: office@pymblecatholicparish.org.au **Website:** www.pymblecatholicparish.org.au

Office hours: Monday to Thursday 8:30am to 4pm &

Friday 8:30am to 1pm

For information about Baptisms and Weddings please contact Daniela in the Parish Office.

For information about the sacraments of Confirmation, Reconciliation and First Eucharist, please contact Melanie at melanie@pymblecatholicparish.org.au

Youtube QR code:



Podbean QR code:



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OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL SUCCOUR

Principal: Jodi Jefferson **Telephone:** (02) 7256 2101
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Our Lady of Perpetual Succour, West Pymble

The OLPS Senior Learning Hub commenced the 2023 school year in a new location. Due to expanding numbers in our Stage 3 cohort we will now house the hub in the library which is located above the main admin building. It is a beautiful learning space.

We began the day with a check-in prayer with the students expressing both gratitude for the holidays and excitement for the year ahead. Our focus in RE this term is "How is prayer, the sacraments and liturgical action integral to the faith life of a Catholic?" We will complete an indepth study of the sacraments and their meaning for us in today's context.

One of the main features of the Senior Learning Hub is the agency given to the students about their learning. We workshopped the features and values of successful teams and discussed how they want the Hub to look, sound and feel in 2023. Students identified the values of faith, hope, courage and determination as some of the values they want to include. As an expression of these, we created stair art for our entrances. It will be a daily reminder as we enter our learning space.

Exciting times ahead for the OLPS Senior Learning Hub!



WHAT'S ON IN OUR PARISH THIS WEEK

Sunday, 5 February

7:45am Mass at Sacred Heart 9:00am Mass at OLPS 9:30am Mass at Sacred Heart 6:00pm Mass at Sacred Heart

Tuesday, 7 February

9:00am Mass at Sacred Heart7:00pm Faith Formation Session at

Sacred Heart

7:30pm Charismatic Prayer Group

Wednesday, 8 February

St Jerome Emiliani Optional St Josephine Bakhita, virgin Optional

9:00am Mass at Sacred Heart

9:00am OLPS School Opening Mass

Thursday, 9 February

9:00am Mass at Sacred Heart11:00am Mass at Northaven

The Rosary is recited after all weekday Masses.

Friday, 10 February St Scholastica, virgin

9:00am Mass at Sacred Heart with Adoration and Litany to the

Sacred Heart of Jesus

Saturday, 11 February

Our Lady of Lourdes Optional

9:00am Mass at OLPS 5:00pm Mass at OLPS

5:30pm Mass at Sacred Heart 6:30pm Welcome Cocktail Party at

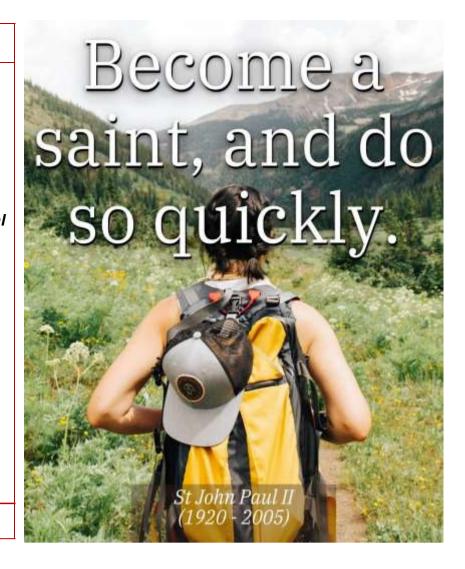
Sacred Heart

Sunday, 12 February

7:45am Mass at Sacred Heart

9:00am Mass at OLPS 9:30am Mass at Sacred Heart

6:00pm Mass at Sacred Heart



Parish Prayer Zone

Praying for others gets our focus off ourselves and onto the needs of those around us. As we "carry each other's burdens," we "will fulfil the law of Christ" (Galatians 6:2). Praying for each other makes us stronger and helps us to grow our faith and Christian love.

Recently Deceased:

Emeritus Pope Benedict XVI, Cardinal George Pell, Patricia (Trish) McGrath, Francesco Allen Lazzaron.

Death Anniversaries:

Melba Sequeira, Franklin Gonsalves, Mary-ellen Philomena Lyons, Orfeo Calacoci.

Prayers for the sick:

Weekly prayer intention:

This week we pray for bishops around the world, that first and last they will be disciples of Jesus and bearers of good news. Amen.

If you would like the names of your relatives to be included in the prayer list (anniversary of deaths, recently deceased, illnesses, wedding celebration or anniversaries, birthdays, etc.) please contact the Parish Office by midday each Wednesday. Remember that due to privacy policy, names of the sick can only be put on the bulletin with permission of the immediate family. This list will be updated every month and we would appreciate if we are advised of any updates. Thank you.

Parish Safeguarding

Dear Parishioners,

We take our responsibility to safeguard the vulnerable, whether they be children, the young, the elderly or the disabled very seriously. We work to ensure that no one is taken advantage of within our Parish.

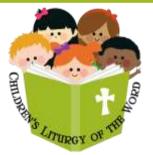
If you have any concern about the treatment of a child, young person or anyone within our parish environment, please approach myself directly or Daniela Foote within the parish office on 02 9144 2702.

Alternatively, you may wish to contact Ana Cosi, Safeguarding Manager (Chancery & Churches) on 02 8379 1651.

Yours in Christ,

Fr Ireneusz Czech SDS





Children's Liturgy at Pymble Parish Term 4

We invite families who attend the Sunday Mass at Sacred Heart and OLPS for their children to join the Children's Liturgy of the word.

Sacred Heart	OLPS
Sunday 9:30am Mass	Sunday 9am Mass
5 February 19 February 5 March 19 March	Every Sunday during School term

For catering purposes **PLEASE RSVP** By 6th Feb 2023



WELCOME TO PYMBLE CATHOLIC PARISH!

If you are new to our Parish or would like to update your family details, please complete the Parish Household Registration Form.

This form is available at the back of both churches or can be requested by emailing info@pymblecatholicparish.org.au

For more information please contact the Parish Office on 9144 2702 or visit our Web site www.pymblecatholicparish.org.au





We need:

- Musicians/Singers
- A music co-ordinator
- People for our Projector service
- Readers

Please contact the Parish Office if you are able to assist in any way.

Thank you for your financial contribution to the support of our Parish Community and its priests - it is very much appreciated.

The First Collection taken up at Mass goes to the Salvatorian Fathers for the financial support of the priests and the Salvatorian Community. The Second Collection taken up at Mass is for the upkeep of the Parish. You are invited to help our Parish by committing to the Planned Giving Program.



Parish Office: 91442702 or info@pymblecatholicparish.org.au



The Church in Australia celebrates the Sunday of the Word of God on the first Sunday in February – February 5 in 2023 (Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A). Pope Francis established the day, which is devoted to "the celebration, study and dissemination" of the Word of God. Visit www.catholic.org.au/wordofgodsunday to access resources to help commemorate the day and for suggestions on how to better engage with Sacred Scripture in various ways and settings.

Faith Formation starts again on Tuesday 7 February 2023

Starting again at 7pm on Tuesday evening, 7 February we begin faith formation at Sacred Heart Church. The formation will be based on 'Salvation', a series on Formed by Dr Michael Barber, theologian. As the Nicene Creed says, "For us men and for our salvation, He (Jesus) came down from heaven." Salvation is critical to our faith yet, as Catholics, we don't tend to talk about it.

During the sessions we will explore issues and questions related to salvation. For example, what does it mean to be saved? Is our plan to get to heaven a personal plan or do we need to act in communion with others? What's the importance of grace and baptism? What role does the Church play? If we are saved through grace, then what's the relevance of good works?

We look forward to seeing you on the 7th of February.



The Federation of Catholic Bishops Conferences of Oceania is the regional grouping that comprises the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference, the New Zealand Catholic Bishops Conference, the Catholic Bishops Conference of Papua New Guinea and Solomon Islands and the Episcopal Conference of the Pacific (CEPAC) – which includes Cook Islands, Fiji, French Polynesia, Guam, Kiribati, Marshall Islands, Micronesia, New Caledonia, Northern Mariana Islands, Samoa, Tonga, Tuvalu, Vanuatu and Wallis and Futuna.

The bishops of those four conferences gather every four years for a continental gathering. The next such gathering is scheduled for Fiji in February 2023.



BBQ volunteers Sunday 12th February at Bunnings Pymble

The members of the Pymble Conference will be hosting a sausage sizzle at Bunnings in Pymble on **Sunday 12th February**. If you happen to have a spare hour or two that day, we would be very grateful for any help you may be able to

offer in staffing the event. Please contact Lise on 0422092845

Southern Cross Aged Care and Lourdes Killara Glades Volunteers

No special skills are needed and you can, after your initial introduction, visit at times that suit you. Volunteers of all ages and cultural backgrounds are urgently needed and will be made most welcome

If you would like to know more, please call Carolynne on 0415963642.

Sacramental Program 2023

Confirmation (candidates must be aged 8 or older)

• Parent Welcome & Information Meeting: Wednesday 26th of April at 6.30pm at Sacred Heart

• Preparation Program: over 4-weeks in April and May with home-based or parish-facilitated group

Presentation Mass: Saturday 29th of April or Sunday 30th of April, any mass, either church

• Practice: Thursday 18th of May at 4pm OR 5pm at Sacred Heart

• Service: 21st of May at Sacred Heart 11.30am OR 1.30pm

Confirmation

Reconciliation (candidates must be aged 9 or older and have received the Sacrament of Confirmation)

• Parent Welcome & Information Meeting: Wednesday 24th of May at 6.30pm at Sacred Heart (combined with First Communion)

• Preparation Program: over 4-weeks in May and June (Term 2) with nominated group

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Presentation Mass: Sunday 28th May, any mass, either church.

NO Practice

• Service: Tuesday 13th June at 4pm & 5.15pm at Sacred Heart OR Wednesday 14th June at 3.30pm & 4.15pm at OLPS



Communion

First Eucharist:

• Parent Welcome & Information Meeting: Wednesday 24th of May at 6.30pm Sacred Heart (combined with First Reconciliation)

• Preparation Program: over 4-weeks in July and August (Term 3) with nominated group

• Presentation Mass: Saturday 5th of August or Sunday 6th of August, any mass, either church

Go to confession at least one more time prior to First Communion: 9.30am Saturday at OLPS OR 8.30am Friday, 5pm Saturday, 5.30pm Sunday at SH

Practice: Thursday 10th August at 4pm at OLPS OR Thursday 17th August at 4pm at SH
 Service: Sunday 10th August at 11am at OLPS OR Sunday 20th August at 11.30am at SH

For more information please visit our website https://www.bbcatholic.org.au/pymble/sacraments/sacramental-program or contact **Melanie (Sacramental Coordinator)** at sacraments@pymblecatholicparish.org.au



The Parish community provide home cooked frozen meals for Father Chris Riley's Youth Off The Streets program.

Your frozen meal donations for February should be dropped off at the Parish office between 9am and 10am on **Friday, 17 February 2023.** At 10am sharp, the meals will be transported to Youth Off The Streets. Frozen meal collections are scheduled for the third Friday of each month.

Meals are always needed. Can you help? If you would like to help by contributing some of your skills in preparing meals or to provide transport for the meals then please contact the Parish office.

Your contribution helps to feed needy homeless youth within the Youth Off The Streets program. Youth Off The Streets believes in young people. The program provides opportunities for disadvantaged youth to build a safe and stable future.

Thank you for your support.



Our bible study group members would like to walk the talk!

If you are lonely or sick, housebound or elderly, or would just like to talk with someone, our friendly bible study group members would like to give you a call.

Please contact the office on <u>9144 2702</u> and we will get in touch with you.

Sacred Heart Pymble Bible Study Group



ACYF is Back!

The Australian Catholic Youth Festival is coming back! And we are counting down to this event which will be held in Melbourne in 2024! An event that provides the opportunity for thousands of young people to gather and share their love for Jesus, together!

The festival is held over a few days, providing young Catholics from across the country an opportunity for encounter, formation, discussion, connection and evangelisation. Further details will be provided as information is released this year!



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Liturgy of the Word Fifth Sunday in Ordinary time

Entrance Antiphon

O come, let us worship God and bow low before the God who made us, for he is the Lord our God.

First Reading

<u>ls 58:7-10</u>

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

Thus says the Lord:

Share your bread with the hungry, and shelter the homeless poor, clothe the man you see to be naked and turn not from your own kin. Then will your light shine like the dawn and your wound be quickly healed over. Your integrity will go before you and the glory of the Lord behind you. Cry, and the Lord will answer; call, and he will say, 'I am here.' If you do away with the yoke, the clenched fist, the wicked word, if you give your bread to the hungry, and relief to the oppressed, your light will rise in the darkness, and your shadows become like noon.

Responsorial Psalm

(R.) A light rises in the darkness for the upright.

- He is a light in the darkness for the upright: he is generous, merciful and just. The good man takes pity and lends, he conducts his affairs with honour (R.)
- The just man will never waver: he will be remembered for ever. He has no fear of evil news; with a firm heart he trusts in the Lord. (R.)
- 3. With a steadfast heart he will not fear; open-handed, he gives to the poor; his justice stands firm for ever. His head will be raised in glory. (R.)

Second Reading

1 Cor 2:1-5

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

When I came to you, brothers, it was not with any show of oratory or philosophy, but simply to tell you what God had guaranteed. During my stay with you, the only knowledge I claimed to have was about Jesus, and only about him as the crucified Christ. Far from relying on any power of my own, I came among you in great 'fear and trembling' and in my speeches and the sermons that I gave, there were none of the arguments that belong to philosophy; only a demonstration of the power of the Spirit. And I did this so that your faith should not depend on human philosophy but on the power of God

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the light of the world, says the Lord; the man who follows me will have the light of life . Alleluia!

Gospel

Mt 5:13-16

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Jesus said to his disciples: 'You are the salt of the earth. But if salt becomes tasteless, what can make it salty again? It is good for nothing, and can only be thrown out to be trampled underfoot by men.

'You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill-top cannot be hidden. No one lights a lamp to put it under a tub; they put it on the lampstand where it shines for everyone in the house. In the same way your light must shine in the sight of men, so that, seeing your good works, they may give the praise to your Father in heaven.'

Gospel Reflection

Jesus used ordinary images, such as salt and light, to convey extraordinary truths that transform our minds, hearts, and lives. What does salt and light have to teach us about God and the transforming power of his kingdom? Salt was a valuable commodity in the ancient world. People traded with it, like we trade with valuable goods, such as gold and stock. Salt also served a very useful purpose, especially in warmer climates before the invention of electricity and refrigeration. Salt not only gave rich flavour to food, it also preserved food from going bad and being spoiled.

The salt of God's kingdom for all

Jesus used the image of salt to describe the transforming effect of God's work in our lives - and how the Holy Spirit wants to work through us to bring the power and blessing of God's kingdom to others. As salt purifies, preserves, and produces rich flavour for our daily food, we, too, as disciples of Jesus, are "salt" for the world of human society. The Lord wants to work in and through us to purify, preserve, and spread the rich flavour of God's kingdom everywhere - his "kingdom of righteousness, peace, and joy in the Holy Spirit" (Romans 14:17).

Don't lose your saltiness

What did Jesus mean by the expression "if salt has lost its taste... it is no longer good for anything except to be thrown out and trodden under foot" (Matthew 5:13)? Salt in the ancient world was often put into ovens to intensify the heat. When the salt was burned off and no longer useful it was thrown out on the ground where it would easily get stepped on and swept away (Matthew 5:13). How can we lose our

"saltiness"? When we allow the world, sin, and Satan to corrupt us. The Lord wants us to preserve our "saltiness" - through virtuous living and rejection of sin - not only for our own sake but also for the sake of others.

The aroma of Christ in the world

Paul the Apostle reminds us that we are called to be "the aroma of Christ to God among those who are being saved and among those who are perishing, to one a fragrance from death to death, to the other a fragrance from life to life" (2 Corinthians 2:15-16). Do you allow the fragrance of Christ's love, truth, and holiness to permeate every area of your life, your thoughts, words, actions, and relationships?

Light that shines for all to see

Jesus used the image of light and a lamp to further his illustration of God's transforming work in and through us. Lamps in the ancient world served a vital function, much like they do today. They enable people to see and work in the dark and to avoid stumbling. The Jews also understood "light" as symbol or expression of the inner beauty, truth, and goodness of God. In his light we see light (Psalm 36:9). His word is a lamp that guides our steps (Psalm 119:105). God's grace not only illumines the darkness in our lives, but it also fills us with spiritual light, joy, and peace.

Jesus used the image of a lamp to describe how his disciples are to live in the light of his truth and love. Just as natural light illumines the darkness and enables one to see visually, so the light of Christ shines in the hearts of believers and enables us to see the heavenly reality of God's kingdom. Our mission is to be *light-bearers* of Jesus Christ so that others may see the truth of the gospel and be freed from the blindness of sin and deception.

There is great freedom and joy for those who live in the light of God's truth and goodness. Do you know the joy and freedom of living in God's light?

Lord Jesus, you guide me by the light of your saving truth. Fill my heart and mind with your light and truth and free me from the blindness of sin and deception that I may see your ways clearly and understand your will for my life. May I radiate your light and truth to others in word and deed.

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Pymble Parish Roster 11/12 February 2023					
Sacred Heart (Pymble)	Saturday 5.30pm	Sunday 7.45am	Sunday 9.30am	Sunday 6.oopm	
Acolytes	L Hopcroft	C Wawrzyniak	L Hopcroft	R Samson	
Altar Servers	A Centofanti	H & A Liceralde	C Bowe J Foote	R Samson	
Music	B Laniewski	QUIET	M Tang MA Bannister	YOUTH	
Projector	J Witcombe	C Greedy	M Tse	J Duffy	
Readers	A O'Brien	C Kipps	J Gardener	D McGreal	
Altar Society	11 February:				
Counters	12 February: J Li, T Scanlan & M Tang				

Counters

OLPS
(West Pymble)

Saturday
5.00pm

12 February: J Li, T Scanlan & M Tang

Sunday
9.00am

Acolytes G Lynch A Mazzei

L & M Pereira

Readers B Nairn F Barnden

Music and Projector M Mead, K Haddrick & D Blahut E & A Chan

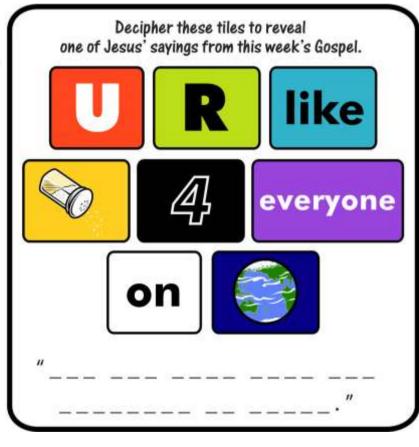
Altar Cloth 5 February: A Glover

Children's Corner

Altar Servers

Draw a picture of yourself setting a good example to others.

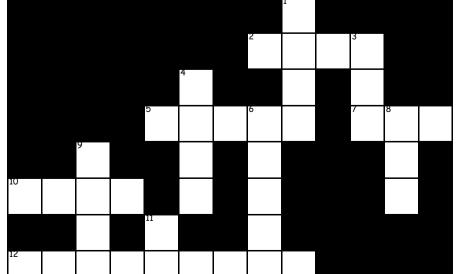




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CROSSWORD

You are like light for the whole world



Across

2: a light you can carry around

Mt 5:13-16

5: not dark

7: the opposite of bottom

10: you eat this when you are hungry

12: Jesus' friends

Down

- 1: Jesus told the disciples they were like _ _ _ for everyone on earth
- 3: an indoor plant grows in this
- 4: a very large town
- 6: kept out of sight
- 8: the number before two
- 9: a place where you live
- 11: a small mountain

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