1. Missouri is home to five ___ of fish that can become “monster fish,” (i.e., capable of attaining weights of 100 lbs. or more).

7. Latin lion.

10. ____-Gyn.

12. A type of surgery, hygiene, or exam.

13. Pope Paul ___ carried the load of implementing Vatican II which he considered the catechism for the modern world.


16. Prefix for sort or tort.

17. The Paddlefish, or Spoonbill, has a notable ___ snout. The Mo. record catch is 140 lbs. It’s found in our larger Mo. rivers and lakes. It eats by straining microscopic plants and animals while swimming. Thus it will not take bait and can only be caught by snagging.

19. ___ Island.

22. Extra-terrestrial.

23. Shirt size letters.

24. The ___ of Catechumens is used in Baptism.

25. Letters for Aid for the Church in Need; a Catholic Papal charity.

27. Mexican nap.

29. ____-R-Us. Company for children’s playthings, games, clothes, etc. Currently in bankruptcy. Competition with Amazon.com, Target and Walmart is partly blamed.

31. Letters for Werner Syndrome, a rare premature aging disorder.

32. Letters for Rent-A-Center; an electronics and furniture rent-to-own company with nearly 3,000 stores in the U.S., Canada, and Mexico.

33. ____ Lewis; Anglican theologian and author of the Narnia series.

34. Alley ___; comic strip caveman.

35. Internet code for the country of Trinidad & Tobago.

37. Ball holder.

38. Every Catholic Church has ___ water font at the entrance of the Church to symbolize baptism (2 wds.).

40. The Flathead Catfish is the smallest but most sought-after monster fish in Mo.; commonly over 40 lbs., the Mo. record is 100 lbs. They are found in most Mo. rivers & lakes; they eat anything they can get into their large ___.

42. Letters for Mount Rushmore president.

43. ___ Parks of the Civil Rights movement.

44. ___ Guthrie; folk singer/composer; son of iconic Depression folk singer Woody Guthrie.

46. Our State capitol building sits on three ___ of land.

49. ___ Sib.

50. A type of shoe.

51. Girlfriend of #34 ACROSS.

55. ___ crow; wisdom character in the land of OZ.

56. 300 lb. Lake Sturgeon were once a common catch in Mo. They are now considered State-endangered and are being restocked since 1984 in the Mo. and Ms. Rivers. They have shark-like tails and have ___ like a catfish.

DOWN
1. “___ looks back, worry looks around, faith looks up.” —Ralph Waldo Emerson.

2. The largest monster fish found in Mo. is the Alligator Gar. It has a ___

3. ____ Lewis; Anglican theologian and author of the Narnia series.

4. “We are poorly ___ and roughly treated...” (1 Corinthians 4:11).

5. First lady.

6. “In the end we will remember not the words of our enemies but the ___ of our friends,” —Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

7. ___ Chaney; American actor and make-up artist; starred in silent horror movies like “The Hunchback of Notre Dame” (1923) and “The Phantom of the Opera” (1925).

8. The U.S. has no official language but 32 States have adopted ___ as the official language of their State, including Missouri, Hawaii, Calif., Illinois, Louisiana, and Massachusetts.

9. The Blue Catfish is the largest catfish in North Am. Though commonly weighing around 50 lbs. and up, the Mo. record is 130 lbs. It is commonly found in the Missouri, ___ and Mississippi Rivers as well as at Truman Lake and the Lake of the Ozarks. Reportedly the largest fish ever caught in the Mo. River was a Blue Catfish weighing 315 lbs.

10. “__ to a Grecian Urn,” a 1819 poem by John Keats the year he contracted tuberculosis. The poem focuses on immortality.

11. I planted annuals in my flower ____.

13. Pope Paul ___ carried the load of implementing Vatican II which he considered the catechism for the modern world.

15. Doggone ___!

18. Short for overtime.

20. ___’ Red; the warden’s prison dog, in a country song by George Jones (1990), Kenny Rogers (1993), and Blake Shelton (2002).

21. Third rock from the sun.

26. “…a decree went out from ____ Augustus…” (Luke 2:1).

27. His bathroom ___ spoke to him: “One at a time, please.”


30. Letters for Advanced
Placement; courses to help transition from HS to college.
36. Oklahoma city.
39. Hospital surgery spot.
40. Eucharist.
41. Everything begins at quarter four.
42. St. Louis symbol.
44. “____, poor Yorick! I knew him...” —Shakespeare's *Hamlet*, Act. 5, Scene 1.
47. The dish ran away with the spoon and the ____ jumped over the moon, according to the nursery rhyme.
48. Distress letters.
50. Prefix for real.
52. I agree.
53. In business in Bristol, letters for omissions excepted.
54. Letters for *Logan's Run*, a 1967 sci-fi novel which spawned multiple sequels in movies, literature, TV and comic books.