28. A brand of jeans.
29. Chit___; small talk.
30. Womens' stockings.
31. 60's sitcom, Mr. ___.
32. ___ what?
33. After the initial investigation has determined the deceased person is worthy, canonization is the Pope’s ___ recognition that a person is truly a saint (i.e., worthy of veneration and intercession).
37. ___ fi; science fiction genre.
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48. Short for teaching asst. (e.g., in college).
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52. Letters for Home Depot on the NYSE.
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ACROSS

1. The only type of person acclaimed as a saint in the early Church was one who died for his/her faith (i.e., a ___).
6. In the 17th century, the Vatican finally established standards and a process for sainthood. They required two ___ steps: beatification and canonization.
10. Letters for once daily, from the Latin omni die.
11. Suffix for terror.
12. ___, TX is where Dr. Pepper was invented and is home of the Texas Rangers museum.
13. Siestas.
15. Soothing sound.
16. ___ time to leave already? (2 wds.)
18. ___ Fleischer, press secretary for George W. Bush.
19. The first ___ canonization was St. Ulrich, Bishop of Augsburg (Germany) by Pope John XV in 993.
22. By the 6th & 7th centuries, already a much more ___ and universal process was clearly needed in declaring persons to be saints.
24. The Union victory in the Civil War Battle of ___ Ridge in 1862, though just across the border in Arkansas, basically secured Missouri for the Union.
25. Letters for Opera (abbr.).
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DOWN

1. The goal of the group Missourians for ___ is to conserve 300,000 acres of milkweed necessary for these iconic migratory butterflies. Mo. is a national model because of the number and diversity of this 40 org. strong grp.
2. Month the Temple was rebuilt (Ezra 6:15).
3. “___ the season to be jolly…”
4. X’s and ___ are the chromosomes that determine gender.
5. NFL letters for right tackle.
6. Stockbridge in this State is the hometown site of the Norman Rockwell museum (abbr.).
7. Rain or reflux.
8. Mary’s husband.
9. Remy the ___ dreams of being a chef in Disney’s 2007 movie Ratatouille.
12. In the 12th cen. Pope Alexander III decreed that only the Pope could determine and publicly declare someone to be a saint for the ___ Church.
14. By the 300’s people who professed the faith not necessarily by dying but who defended the faith and lived ___ lives were also being declared saints (e.g., St. Martin of Tours).
15. For over 50 yrs., God’s Green ___ Ranch in Hillsboro, Mo. has been empowering young women 12-18 through a shared love of horses.
17. “There is one thing stronger than all the armies in the world and that is an ___ whose time has come,” —Victor Hugo.
19. Related to Dr. or Ln.
20. Electric fish.
21. Cooter; versatile musician with six Grammy Awards.
23. The Great Barrier reef off Australia is the largest living thing on earth (i.e., corals) and is even said to be visible from space.
25. Upper rooms.
27. Creek, Mo. in Osage County is home to Immaculate Conception Church and school. It is one of the original parishes founded by Fr. Ferdinand Helias, Apostle of Central Mo.
29. A savings plan.
31. Beatification is when the Pope recognizes a deceased person worthy and ___ to be considered for sainthood. An official and usually lengthy investigation begins.
34. Oprah Winfrey’s TV channel.
35. The Tulsa last week had some great bull riding (2 wds.).
36. Letters for atrial fibrillation, an abnormal heart rhythm.
37. The bishop of the place where the candidate for sainthood died is responsible for beginning the investigation of his/her suitability. The findings are ___ to Rome.
39. “Of its own ___ the land yields fruit...” (Mark 4:28).
42. Prefix for the word “to.”
43. Potbelly, for ex.
45. Lake on the Calif./Nevada border.
47. la la.
50. Franklin’s face is on the $100 bill.
51. Short for electron ionization, when electrons interact with gas molecules to produce ions.
54. Green or black.
56. “It is written, ‘My house shall be a house of prayer, but you have made it a ___ of thieves,’” (Luke 19:46).
58. Fee-fi-___-fum.
59. Internet code for the Persian Gulf country of Bahrain.