



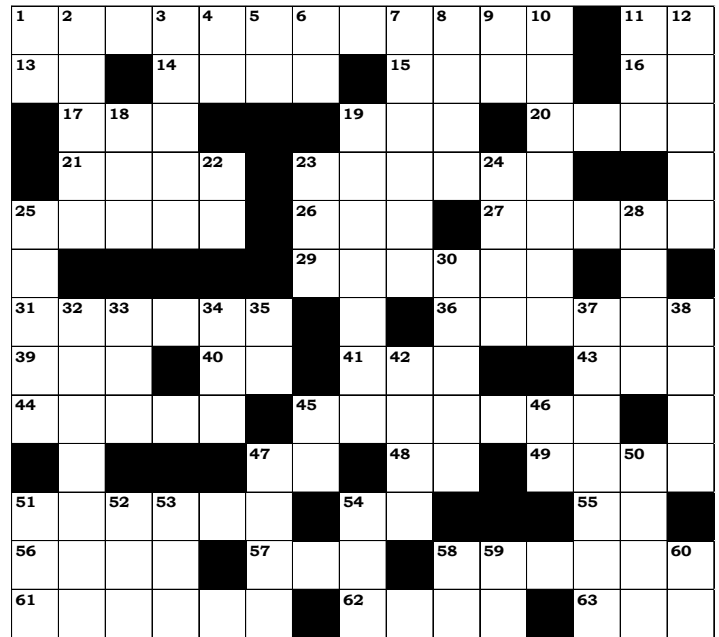
## Puzzle #812

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### ACROSS

- Nearly 90% of Missouri's wetlands have been lost. But high-quality wetlands can still be found and are esp. preserved in 18 \_\_\_\_ Areas across our State.
- Fifth book of the Bible (abbr.).
- This northwestern State is called the Beaver State (abbr.).
- You might notice a faint \_\_\_\_ when you visit a wetland because of the gases that arise from the muck. Marsh muck contains billions of bacteria doing their job of breaking down dead plants and animals and emits gases that smell like rotten eggs.
- Word before plate or run.
- This northeastern State is called the Granite State (abbr.).
- Dagwood to his friends.
- "...we ought not to think that the divinity is like an image fashioned from gold, silver or stone by human \_\_\_\_ and imagination," (Acts 17:29).
- "...until day dawns and the morning \_\_\_\_ rises in your hearts," (2 Peter 1:19).
- "If...you chance upon a bird's nest with young birds or \_\_\_\_ in it...you shall not take away the mother bird..." (Deuteronomy 22:6).
- My wife asked me to pick

- up \_\_\_\_ of milk on the way home (2 wds.).
- In a card game, three-spots.
  - Greyhound or Trailways.
  - Can be found in a Church or movie theater.
  - Sixth planet from the sun with prominent rings. Or, car company established in 1985 and out of business in 2010.
  - My team hustled down the court for the winning basket but time simply \_\_\_\_ (2 wds.).
  - To come to be ineffective or invalid (e.g., alcohol can \_\_\_\_ the benefits of some medicines).
  - \_\_\_\_ and flow.
  - Letters for Post Office.
  - "Here" in Paris.
  - MU belongs to this college football conference.
  - On the "Flyway" highway, Pelicans, Snow Geese and at least 16 different kinds and colors of \_\_\_\_ use the Mo. wetlands, including the Mallard, Blue-winged Teal, Bufflehead, etc.
  - From shallow pools on the wetlands come \_\_\_\_ of amphibian songs, from, for example, the Spring Peeper, Wood Frog, American bullfrog, etc. (2 wds.).
  - The First Testament (abbr.).
  - "Within the camp, Mass could be said only if the greatest precautions were taken. There were informers \_\_\_\_ every work brigade," —*He Leadeth Me*, Fr. Walter Cizek, S.J.
  - A type of Japanese wrestling.
  - "The act of self-defense can have a double \_\_\_\_: the preservation of one's own life; and the killing of the aggressor...The one is intended, the other is not," —*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, #2263.
  - "The sun showed up \_\_\_\_ schedule — which was a



- relief given the alternative," —*Deadline*, John Sanford.
- This midwestern State can boast more than 110 wineries (abbr.).
  - He would buy or \_\_\_\_, steal or cheat, if the price was right.
  - Holiday or Comfort.
  - Eagles not only use the Flyway, but more are wintering in Mo.'s wetlands and along \_\_\_\_\_. Look up high at their mansions among the branches. They return to the same nest every year, building it ever bigger.
  - Marsh mammals come out at dark so probably won't be seen but you might spot the signs they leave behind (e.g., a raccoon's footprints, an otter's narrow slick slide down a muddy bank, a beaver's dam or pointed \_\_\_\_, a muskrat's messy mound of plants and mud).
  - "The sheep had long, haughty, inscrutable faces, and sharp \_\_\_\_, and knowing yellow eyes that could outstare a saint," —*Monk's Hood*, Ellis Peters.
  - \_\_\_\_ *gratias* (i.e., Thanks be to God), from the Lat-

in Mass.

### DOWN

- "...we may merit to be \_\_\_\_ heirs to eternal life..." —Eucharistic Prayer II.
- The Knights of Columbus is a Catholic fraternal service \_\_\_\_ founded by Fr. Michael McGovney in 1882.
- Wetlands can be muggy and buggy, \_\_\_\_ and stinky. One can easily get stuck in the muck. But wetlands are hardly wastelands.
- Asner or Sullivan.
- Letters for Reverse Osmosis, a water filtration system.
- Letters for Virtual Reality, a computer-generated three-dimensional environment via headsets so users can interact with the simulations as if they were real.
- According to NASA, the two Solid Rocket Boosters on a rocket have a \_\_\_\_ equivalent to 44 million horsepower.
- An infinitesimal amount; jot (e.g., He did not show an \_\_\_\_ of sense.). Also, ninth letter of the Greek alphabet.

9. Buddhist meditation mantra.
10. Missouri is the halfway point on the Mississippi Flyway, a highway in the sky for waterbirds to get from their northern \_\_\_\_\_ grounds to southern wintering areas. They gather in wetlands to rest and refuel.
11. Genetic material.
12. "Amen, I say to you, this very night before the cock crows, you will deny me \_\_\_\_\_ times," (Matthew 26:34).
18. "The \_\_\_\_\_ of martyrs is not yet over...the Church has more martyrs now than during the first centuries," —Pope Francis.
19. There are 17 species of turtles in Mo. wetlands; we find both hard-shelled and soft-shelled \_\_\_\_\_ turtles (e.g., the Red-eared Slider, the Yellow Mud turtle, the Stinkpot turtle, etc.) crowded onto logs, stretching, soaking up sunshine which helps raise a turtle's temperature and provides vitamin D.
22. Short for Sacred Scripture.
23. Stomach muscles.
24. How some people like their steak.
25. "Give me your \_\_\_\_\_, your poor, your huddled masses yearning to breathe free," —Statue of Liberty plaque.
28. "I think being able to age gracefully is a very important talent. It is too \_\_\_\_\_ for me," —Clint Eastwood.
30. "The Rebels are now in Missouri ravaging a country where many \_\_\_\_\_ men are found. Why have they not left? —*Troubled State: Civil War Journals of Franklin Archibald Dick*, by Gari Carter.
32. The oozy mud and mucky water of the wetland mudflats are jam packed with insects, worms and snails. This is \_\_\_\_\_ for Herons, Sandpipers, Egrets and many other shorebirds (2 wds.).
33. A major TV network.
34. The "brown" delivery company.
35. "God gives us Himself and His plan in an earthly package we are able \_\_\_\_\_ receive," —*Divine Revelation*, Curtis Mitch.
37. Mary was \_\_\_\_\_ into heaven.
38. Canyon feedback.
42. "The most important thing any broken individual can do is keep their \_\_\_\_\_ up and keep moving forward," —Matt Hardy.
45. "Fr. Brown had felt from the first that he was in what was, or had been, a Catholic household; but was \_\_\_\_\_ least partly inhabited by lapsed or very loose Catholics," —*The Insoluble Problem*, Fr. Brown of the Church of Rome, G.K. Chesterton.
46. Two signers of the \_\_\_\_\_ Constitution were Catholic: Daniel Carroll of Maryland and Thomas Fitzsimons of Pennsylvania.
47. Elevator man.
50. "Once \_\_\_\_\_ I have yielded to the temptation of the desert, which has always been the love niche where I can encounter the Absolute that is God," —*I, Francis*, Carlo Carretto.
51. 19th letter of the alphabet.
52. I was down with the \_\_\_\_\_ and had to stay home.
53. As a result of Dutch \_\_\_\_\_ disease which arrived in America in the 1930s, millions, as many as nine out of ten, of these stately trees have been lost.
54. "Philip was wholly absorbed into the demonic conflict that no \_\_\_\_\_ seemed able to end," —*Brother Cadfael's Penance*, Ellis Peters.
58. Reading or Short Line in Monopoly.
59. "The most important function of government \_\_\_\_\_ to protect the lives of its citizens," —Thomas Jefferson.
60. "After a time, you may find that having is not, after all, \_\_\_\_\_ satisfying a thing as wanting. It is not logical, but it is often true," —Mr. Spock in *Planet of Judgement*, Joe Haldeman.