THE KEYS



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The Vicar's Volleyed Verbiage

Easter Catechizing... or not

My wife sent this to me... And Just Because Easter is a time for a bit of Levity. Number 20 has to do with Easter, at least.

Kids were asked questions about the old and new testaments of The Bible. These are their responses; they have not been retouched or corrected. Pay special attention to the wording and spelling.

- 1. In the first book of the Bible, Guinness, god got tired of creating the world so he took the sabbath off.
- 2. Adam and Eve were created from an apple tree. Noah's wife was Joan of Ark. Noah built an ark and the animals came on in pears.
- 3. Lot's wife was a pillar of salt during the day, but a ball of fire during the night.
- 4. The Jews were a proud people and throughout history they had trouble with unsympathetic genitals.
- 5. Sampson was a strong man who let himself be led astray by a Jezebel like Delilah.
- 6. Samson slayed the Philistines with the axe of the apostles.
- 7. Moses led the Jews to the red sea where they made unleavened bread, which is bread without any ingredients.
- 8. The Egyptians were all drowned in the dessert. Afterwards, Moses went up to Mount Cyanide to get the ten commandments.
- 9. The first commandment was when Eve told Adam to eat the apple.
- 10. The seventh commandment is thou shalt not admit adultery.
- 11. Moses died before he ever reached Canada then Joshua led the Hebrews in the battle of geritol.
- 12. The greatest miricle in the Bible is when Joshua told his son to stand still and he obeyed him.
- 13. David was a Hebrew king who was skilled at playing the liar. He fought the Finkelsteins, a race of people who lived in biblical times.
- 14. Solomon, one of David's sons, had 300 wives and 700 porcupines.
- 15. When Mary heard she was the mother of Jesus, she sang the magna carta.
- 16. When the three wise guys from the east side arrived they found Jesus in the manager.
- 17. Jesus was born because Mary had an immaculate contraption.
- 18. St. John the blacksmith dumped water on his head.
- 19. Jesus enunciated the golden rule, which says to do unto others before they do one to you. He also explained a man doth not live by sweat alone.
- 20. It was a miracle when Jesus rose from the dead and managed to get the tombstone off the entrance.
- 21. The people who followed the lord were called the 12 decibels.
- 22. The epistles were the wives of the apostles.
- 23. One of the oppossums was St. Matthew who was also a taximan.
- 24. St. Paul cavorted to Christianity, he preached holy acrimony, which is another name for marraige.
- 25. Christians have only one spouse. This is called monotony.

On a more serious note, we often get wrapped up in the various mysterious events of Easter: Jesus walking through walls and yet eating fish, for example; or why Jesus tells Mary Magdalene not to touch him and then tells the Apostle Thomas to investigate his wounds. Yet notice the re-catechizing that occurs in the midst of the Resurrection. On both Easter Monday and Easter Tuesday the epistles are from Acts and it's Peter (Acts 10) and Paul (Acts 13) re-catechizing the Jews in light of the Resurrection. This is none other than what Jesus did for the Apostles and Disciples after His Resurrection 1) on the Road to Emmaus "And beginning at Moses and all the prophets, he expounded unto them in all the scriptures concerning himself" (the Gospel for Easter Monday) and 2) when visiting the Apostolic gathering in Luke 24, "And he said unto them, These are the words which I spake unto you, while I was yet with you, that all things must be fulfilled, which were written in the law of Moses, and in the prophets, and in the psalms, concerning me. Then opened he their understanding, that they might understand the scriptures . . ." (the Gospel for Easter Tuesday). In a sense, a very important "key" to understanding the Old Testament is the Resurrection. The Old Testament does not make sense until seen in the light of the Resurrection.

Both Christians and Jews believe in the Resurrection of the Body (as do Muslims). In a Jewish burial, before the funeral service the mourner's garment is torn as a sign of grief and he declares, "Blessed is the Lord, the truthful judge." When the casket is lowered, then is recited the *Zidduk ha-Din* with the phrase, "Blessed be the name of the Lord". Both are an acknowledgement of righteous and fair judgement. Instead, in the Western Church's graveside service, similarly (but yet different) acknowledging redemption - a redemption fulfilled and pledged to us by virtue of Christ's Resurrection - we recite the song of Zacharias, the Father of John Baptist, "Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, who hath visited and redeemed his people. And hath raised up a mighty salvation for us, in the house of his servant David. As he spake by the mouth of his holy **Prophets**, which have been since the world began . . ." It is also our song when we *rise* to prayer in the Morning. It is an acknowledgement that we are redeemed and will rise again in glory, all because of the Resurrection.

News and Information

Vestry is scheduled for Wednesday, April 14 at 7:30 PM. A Mass will precede it at 7 PM.

We are in conversation as a congregation as to when to restart the men's breakfast group and the women's prayer group. We look forward to the possibility of restarting soon.

Please consider signing up for the PRC Walk for Life on April 23rd.

The kitchen remodeling is coming along nicely. Many thanks to all participating in that hard work.

Thanks to all who helped so much during Holy Week: Altar Servers, Choir, Altar Guild. It went very well!

APRIL, 2021								
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY		
LEGEND: HC - Holy Communion; FHE - Festal Holy Eucharist; HE - Holy Eucharist; SS - Sunday School; PG - Prayer Group; EP - Evening Prayer; MP - Morning Prayer; P&HU - Prayers and Holy Unction			[1]	[2]	[3]			
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IN THE LORD'S SERVICE

Please — If you cannot fulfill your assigned duty because of an urgent reason, IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO SECURE YOUR OWN REPLACEMENT!

Week beginning Sunday →	April 4	April 11	April 18	April 25	May 2
Altar Guild	B. Higginbotham	B. Higginbotham	M. Slayton	B. Higginbotham	B. Higginbotham
	V. Williams	J. Butterfield	C. deRosset	V. Williams	J. Butterfield
Coffee Hour			-		
Ushers			-		
Epistoler	T. Paisley	G. Terrell	A. Butterfield	P. Williams	B. Paisley
Server	P. Williams	T. Paisley	C. Von Claparede	P. Williams	P. Williams
Crucifer	W. Paisley	W. Paisley	B. Paisley	W. Paisley	C. Von Claparede