

Puzzle #767

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- This puzzle features strange, unusual, even weird characteristics of in Mo.
- 7. "A rose by any other ____ would smell as sweet," —"Romeo and Juliet," Shakespeare.
- 11. ____ are used in the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Holy Orders
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 12. Batman's younger partner.
- 13. "Pere John Vianney was terrified to _____ that in the long roll of the ages not a single (diocesan) parish-priest had been raised to the Church's altar as a saint," —*The Secret of the Cure d'Ars*, Henri Gheon.
- 16. Town in Belgium where many WWI battles were fought.
- 18. ____ Reynolds Tobacco Company.
- 19. The southwest corner of Jefferson and Dunklin streets in Jefferson City has had a continuous, and colorful, history as a saloon-bar-restaurant-taproom since at least 1860. The ECCO ____ continues the legacy today.
- 21. "When my mom received Communion, a real peace came over her and she began to glow. And I knew the Eucharist was real. I knew I would _____ leave the Eucharist," —Lynn Adelman in "Why I Love

- Being Catholic," Dynamic Catholic.
- 23. "Like all vanishing species, the (old mountain guides) insisted on being themselves ____ matter what anybody else thought," Switchbacks: True Stories from the Canadian Rockies, Sid Marty.
- 25. "Sister Fidelma stared in bewilderment at the woe——gone expression of the usually smiling Abbot Laisan," —The Spiteful Shadow, Peter Tremayne.
- 26. "He didn't say much, kinda quiet and _____, and if you spoke at all, you just said hi, to Big John," —"Big Bad John," 1961 song composed and sung by Jimmy Dean.
- 28. Letters for Public School.
- 29. Startle a LADY BEETLE and you get a stinky surprise. When threatened, the brightly colored insects release blood from their _____ joints. The blood smells and tastes awful, which makes most beetle-eaters quickly lose their appetites.
- 30. "Mozart composed his music not for the _____, but for everybody," —Andre Rieu.
- 31. After years of searching in Mark Twain Cave in Hannibal, the long-sought signature of ____ Clemens (aka Mark Twain) was finally found in the cave in 2019.
- 32. We had a choice between the buffet or the __ _ carte dinner (2 wds.).
- 33. "You can't _____ around feeling sorry for yourself, and expect good things to happen. It doesn't work that way," —*HpLyrikz. com.*
- 36. As the name suggests, GROUNDHOGS prefer to stay on the ground. However, when its tummy starts rumbling it will climb into _____ to snack

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on pawpaws, persimmons, and other fruits.

- 40. Democracy is as American as motherhood and apple
- 41. Like many insects a WOOD ROACH'S body can survive for weeks without its _____. (!) Even weirder, its detached noggin can remain alive and sense its surroundings for several hours until it runs out of energy.
- 43. Abbr. meaning "in other words.
- 44. ____-huh; slangy yes.
- 45. Tennis great Arthur ____; won 3 Grand Slam singles titles.
- 46. "___ Clear Day, You Can See Forever," —1970 musical comedy-drama film starring Barbara Streisand (2 wds.).
- 48. When an ELK bugles, it actually makes two sounds at once: a low-pitched roar and a high-pitched whistle. To do this, it blows through its ____ and nose together like playing a trumpet and a kazoo at the same time.
- 49. "It _____ part of my business to know things that I have not been told," Sherlock Holmes and the Devil's Grail, Barrie Roberts.

50. "But for us who want _____, God is silence," — *The God Who Comes*, Carlo Caretto.

DOWN

- 1. "Let's assume that people and animals both have at least a basic level of free ____ when it comes to deciding how to act," The Inner Life of Animals, Peter Wohlleben.
- 2. Hawaiian feast.
- 3. Because their bodies are ____ and skinny, most SNAKES have only one lung. Like people, they have a windpipe that splits into two smaller airways. The right airway ends in a lung. The left ends in a tiny, useless pouch.
- 4. Pope Saint John Paul
- 5. The chicks of RUDDY TURNSTONE birds learn to ____ when they're 19 days old. Two days later, they migrate thousands of miles south, mostly over the open water of the Pacific for winter. The adults have already left (!) so these youngsters cross all by themselves.
- 6. Cable sports channel.
- 7. A PEREGRINE FAL-CON can dive at speeds over 200 mph. To keep air

- from surging up its ____ and popping its lungs like over-filled balloons, it has little bumps in its nostrils that slow down the rush of air.
- 8. Stomach muscle.
- 9. Russian word for "peace"; also, the name of a USSR space station.
- 10. "It was not necessary that Holmes and I talk incessantly in order to ____ good fellowship," The Jewel of Covent Garden, Wayne Worcester.
- 12. Last book of the Bible.
- 14. Lots and lots of years.
- 15. Professional patient caregiver.

- 17. "...if you are obedient to (the Lord) and do not ____ against the Lord's command...well and good," (1 Samuel 12:14).
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 20. "...love your _____, and pray for those who persecute you," (Matthew 5:44).
- 22. Q-U.
- 24. Bashan king (Psalm 136:20).
- 27. "Modern man listens more willingly to witnesses than to teachers, and if____ does listen to teachers, it is because they are witnesses," —Pope Paul VI.
- 28. Part of a cheerleader's gear.

- 29. Two of these follow "tra."
- 31. Prefix for cure or cede.
- 32. South Am. mountain chain, the longest continental mountain chain in the world.
- 34. Letters for Owens-Illinois; the iconic and world's leading glass bottle manufacturer.
- 35. The Jefferson City diocese had missions in this South Am. country for over 40 years.
- 37. Nevada city.
- 38. Letters for the European Union.
- 39. "The old ____ comforts, the new pinches. But given time enough, the new

- comes to be the old, and fits as gently," —Brother Cadfael in *The Raven in the Foregate*, Ellis Peters.
- 41. ____! That'll teach you!
- 42. A type of tuna.
- 47. Letters for artificial intelligence.