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WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday.....4:00pm
Sunday.....8:00am

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday..... 6:30pm
Thursday.....8:00am

CONFESSIONS

Upon request

PARISH OFFICE

Amy Stafslie, Admin. Assist.....608-452-3841
Bulletin deadline:Wednesday
E-mail: stmaryscv@mwt.net
Open most Wednesdays and Thursdays

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Coordinatorposition vacant

PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL

Nancy Peters (Secretary), John Mislivecek, Bryan Berg and John Roesler (Buildings and Grounds)

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Pat Baranczyk - patbaranchurch@gmail.com
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Michelle Seichter-Grabowski - mls812@mwt.net

PCCW - Parish Council of Catholic Women

Clarice Kammel (President), Nancy Peters (Treasurer), Linda Berg (Secretary)

ORANISTS

Mary Beth Smith, Linda Schulte, and Chris Carskadon.

Fr. Matt also serving at:

Annunciation of the BVM Parish, Viroqua

Mass Times: Weekend.....Saturday.....6:30 PM
Sunday10:30 AM
Weekday: Wednesdays - 6:30 PM & Fridays - 8:00 AM

New Parishioners: Welcome to our parish! Please introduce yourself to Fr. Matt and contact the parish office for registration and information. <https://www.stmarycv.org/visit-us>

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Call or email Fr. Matt. You can also use our website under the Sacraments tab: <https://www.stmarycv.org/sacraments>

Sacrament of Baptism: Please submit a registration by mail, or e-mail to both stmaryscv@mwt.net AND mmarshall@diolclergy.org. You will be contacted by the parish office to finalize your requested date. The registration form at: <https://www.stmarycv.org/sacraments>.

Sacrament of Anointing / Visitation of the Sick: Please contact the parish office or Fr. Matt when someone you know is in need of the Sacrament or a pastoral visit. Requests may also be made from our website under the Sacraments tab. <https://www.stmarycv.org/sacraments>

Mass Intentions: Please use the Mass Intention envelopes available in the church.

Book of Prayer Requests: Located in the back of church. Feel free to add your own prayer requests. The requests will be included in the parish prayers.

St. Mary's Parish

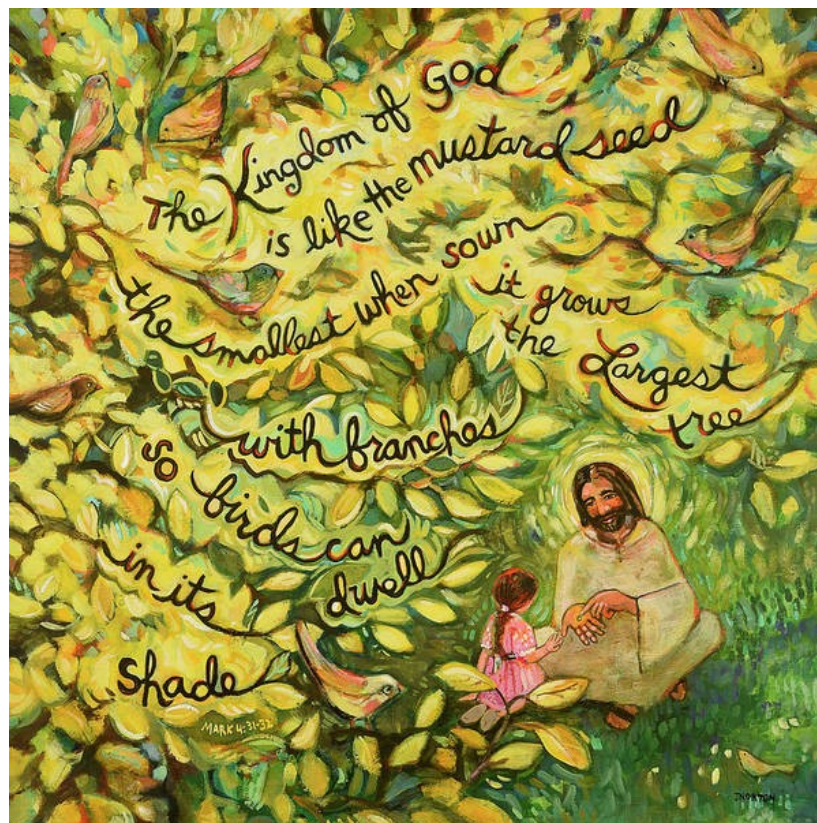
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Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time



"The Mustard Seed" by Jen Norton

Fr. Matthew Marshall

Pastor

June 13, 2021

Readings: 609B

St. Mary's Parish, Coon Valley, WI

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

SUNDAY, JUNE 13, 2021

- 1) Ezekiel 17:22-24
- 2) 2 Corinthians 5:6-10
- 3) Mark 4:26-34

FOCUS: The seed of faith is in our hearts, and grace helps it to bear fruit.

Jesus speaks his Word to the crowds in parables because that is how *they were able to understand it*. Today, he uses agrarian images. Although farming is dependent on many variables the farmer has no control over, the seed of faith planted on our hearts is totally in our control. Will we take the time to weed? Will we take the time to water?

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Ezekiel speaks for the Lord, who will take a shoot from a cedar and plant it *on the mountain heights of Israel*, where it will *bear fruit*. In the second reading, Paul writes that *we walk by faith, not by sight*. In the Gospel, Jesus describes the kingdom of God using parables of a wheat field and a mustard seed.



Next Week in Service — June 20/21

If you are not able to serve as scheduled below, please find a substitute. Thank you

Reader:	Saturday - Nancy Peters Sunday - Volunteer
Money Counters:	Loree Nickelotti and Curt Horman

DID YOU KNOW?

If you are 70 ½ or older, you can do a **qualified charitable distribution (QCD)** of up to \$100,000 a year from your **IRA directly to a charity**. The distribution won't show up in your adjusted gross income and CAN count toward your required minimum distribution (RMD). The QCD allows you to be more strategic with your RMD. Consult your tax advisor before making any decisions. If a QCD is for you, please consider St. Mary's Parish as your charity of choice.

Intentions

Jun 12 ~ 4:00 PM - †Verdel and Sara Holte
Jun 13 ~ 8:00 AM - †Hilda Ollendick and deceased family members
Jun 15 ~ 6:30 PM - †William and Rose Marie LeJeune
Jun 17 ~ 8:00 AM - †Jim Coonan
Jun 19 ~ 4:00 PM - †Edward and Anna Kerska
Jun 20 ~ 8:00 AM - †Durwood "Woody" Roningen

Upcoming Events/Calendar

- **June 11-14** ~ Fr. Matt on PTO
- **June 12/13** ~ Mission Coop Weekend
- **June 15** ~ Finance Council Meeting 7:00 PM
- **June 19** ~ Juneteenth—Freedom Day
- **June 20** ~ Father's Day
- **June 24-25** ~ Priest Unity Days
- **June 28** ~ Fr. Matt Anniversary of Ordination
- **July 4** ~ National Independence Day!
- **July 5-9** ~ Amy on PTO, no office hours this week

Sunday Mass streaming Live on Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/StMarysCoonValley>

Church will be open for private prayer Tuesday through Friday from 9AM until 7 PM and Sunday until 7 PM (please practice good social distancing)



Prime Days - June 21 through June 22

"Get ready for Prime Day! Sign up for AmazonSmile and select St. Mary Parish as your preferred charity at smile.amazon.com/ch/39-1218730. Remember to shop for deals at smile.amazon.com, or with AmazonSmile ON in the Amazon app, and AmazonSmile will donate to us at no cost to you."

Annual Appeal 2020-21

As of 06/10/2021	Total Pledged	Total Payments
Pledged/Paid	\$19,165.00	\$19,165.00
Target Amount	<u>\$12,925.00</u>	<u>\$12,925.00</u>
Over Target	\$6,240.00	\$6,240.00
Percent Pledged: 148.28, Percent Received: 148.28%		
Number Contributing:	43	

Giving Last Week		Week 23	6/6/2021
Adult Env.(23)	\$1,945.00	Needed Weekly	\$1,900.00
Offertory	\$19.00	Received This Week	\$2,059.00
Pentecost (3)	\$95.00	YTD Needed	\$43,700.00
Total	<u>\$2,059.00</u>	YTD Received	\$45,103.78
		Difference	1,403.78
Memorial Day/Cemetery Fund		\$70.00	

Donations: We cannot survive without your generosity! Here are some ways to contribute:

- US Postal Service: mail directly to the parish office, your 2021 Contribution envelope is postal ready!
- *Bill Pay* through online banking, add St. Mary's as contact (if possible, use your envelope number as the account number).
- Use our *online service* at: diolc.org/st-mary-coon-valley (a processing fee will be deducted from your contribution, which averages 3% for debit and credit cards and \$.75 for EFT, ACH your contribution will be recorded for the full amount).
- *Drop* your contribution envelope at either church, Coon Valley or Viroqua and the funds will be directed to St. Mary's

From Fr. Matt:

- Please warmly welcome **Fr. Ernie from the Crosier Fathers** this weekend. Fr. Ernie will share with you a bit about the work his community does to care for the poor among us. Please support their work as generously as you are able. Envelopes will be available in the pews.

- Thurs June 17th is Bishop Callahan's 71st b-day! **Happy Birthday, Bishop!**

- I will be taking PTO from Friday June 11th through Monday June 14th.

Parish Announcements

New Trees Have Been Planted

We hope the new trees will provide beauty, shade, and much more to our parish and community. Special thank you for the memorial money given to fully fund this project from the families of Arlene and Norbert Seichter and Helen and Leyton Stafslie.



Pray for Our Farmers

The recent dry, hot weather has posed a serious threat to farmers in our region. Please remember them daily in your prayers, that they will have the moisture and other needed conditions for a successful growing season and harvest.



Diocesan/Local Announcements

Summer Organ Recital Series

The Cathedral of Saint Joseph the Workman in La Crosse, Wisconsin, is pleased to announce the schedule of distinguished performers on its 2021 Summer Organ Recital Series. All recitals are on Sunday afternoons at 3:30 and are approximately one hour in duration. Admission is free; a freewill offering will be accepted. During construction, enter the building from the parking lot entrance.

- **June 13**—Dr. Brent Nolte, music department chair at Ohio Christian University in Circleville, Ohio.
- **July 18**—James Brian Smith, music educator, founding artistic director of the Chicago Boy Choir, and former associate organist at Holy Name Cathedral in Chicago.
- **August 8**—Dr. Stephen C. Price, organ faculty at Ball State University in Muncie, Indiana.

All are cordially invited to attend these exciting and varied performances of delightful organ music on the Cathedral's magnificent 71-rank Noack organ.

Religious Freedom Week: June 22-29

Once again, the U.S. Bishops have declared June 22-June 29 Religious Freedom Week. We are all called to defend the God-given right of religious liberty, which faces grave threats in the U.S. and abroad. Join us, as we pray, reflect, and take action on religious freedom. Visit the website <https://diolc.org/social->

Parish Announcements continued

[concerns/religious-freedom-week/](#) for more information.

Live Stream Chrism Mass—June 24

Please join Bishop Callahan and the priest and deacons of the Diocese in a live stream of the annual Chrism Mass, delayed from during Holy Week, beginning at 10 AM from St. Joseph the Workman Cathedral. Please see diolc.org/live.

Ordination to the Priesthood—June 26

We will celebrate the ordination of Deacon Erick Mashak (St. John the Baptist Parish, Cooks Valley), Deacon Timothy Reither (St. Charles Borromeo Parish, Chippewa Falls), and Deacon Arturo Vigueras (St. Peter Parish, Stevens Point) to the priesthood. Please join Bishop Callahan and the clergy of the Diocese via livestream at diolc.org/live at 10 AM.

Married Love: Two Become One Retreat, La Crosse

July 10, 2021, from 7:25 AM to 3 PM at MMOC on Weston St. Contact Mari Erickson at laxmpretreat@gmail.com or 608-518-7655. Cost is \$75 per couple.

Virtual Conference—Witnesses in Christ

August 7, 2021 Register at: diolc.org/witness Cost: \$10.00
How Rooted Are You? You are the link in an unbroken chain of people that have shared Jesus Christ from generation to generation. As a witness, you need to know and be grounded in four keys that will help you remain faithful. Join Dr. Petroc Willey in this conference and learn the keys. Dr. Willey is Director of the Catechetical Institute and consultant for the promotion of the new Evangelization for the Vatican. See the flyer in back and take home a post card for more information.

Franciscan Spirituality Center | 920 Market Street, La Crosse, WI 54601-4782. To register for an event or for more information visit: <https://fsc.retreatportal.com/events>

Iconography Workshop

JULY 12-17: Master iconographer Phil Zimmerman will guide you step-by-step in the "writing" (or painting) of an icon of Rublev's Angel or St. Kateri Tekakwitha. *Note: This in-person event meets on the campus of Viterbo University.*

Rest Into Relaxation (six-week series)

STARTS JULY 14: Susan Tomashek leads this deeply relaxing meditation series, which includes breath work, body awareness and visualization.

Writing For Your Own Amazement

JULY 17 (Saturday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.): Author Fran Rybarik leads this day of exploring writing skills and thrills. We'll experiment with different genres and reflect on life transitions. *Note: This in-person event meets at the FSC's temporary home at 500 Second St. S., La Crosse.*

Steppingstones To Moving Forward in Faith

JULY 24 (Saturday, 9 a.m.-2:30 p.m.): Mary Louise Peters offers this *Courage and Renewal Retreat* via Zoom. Nurture your faithfulness and explore prayerful self-reflection.

The Language of Emotions

AUGUST 7 (Saturday, 9 a.m.-noon): Explore how to embrace your full spectrum of feelings to more skillfully connect with your best self during this virtual retreat with presenter Elizabeth Lewis.

Golden Yoga Summer Session starts June 22, with in-person and Zoom registration options.

Week of June 14th Readings

by Kieran O'Mahony, OSA

Monday 14 June

2 Corinthians 6:1-10 There is a great invitation in this reading: today is the day of salvation. Paul goes on to give a list of hardships endured as an apostle.

Matthew 5:38-42 We are always tempted to meet violence with violence. Jesus' alternative is radical and different.

Tuesday 15 June

2 Corinthians 8:1-9 A great dream of Paul was the collection for the Christians in Judea and Jerusalem. Like any fundraiser, he tries to invite and to provoke the Corinthians Christians by underlining the remarkable generosity of the Macedonian communities, who are poor by comparison.

Matthew 5:43-48 Jesus quotes the usual attitude—love your neighbor, hate your enemy—and then gives a series of penetrating arguments to offer his alternative vision.

Wednesday 16 June

2 Corinthians 9:6-11 Why should the Corinthians give to Paul's collection? Here is gives arguments from faith and, intriguingly, from the nature of God.

Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18 These two paragraphs surround the Lord's Prayer and represent a Jewish devotional triad: alms, prayer and fasting. Any attraction to showiness in religion is resolutely set aside.

Thursday 17 June

2 Corinthians 11:1-11 A rather human side of Paul is revealed in this reading. He has been replaced in the affection of the Corinthians by other preachers and he minds! But he really does love his Corinthians, as we hear.

Matthew 6:7-15 The introduction to the Lord's Prayer in Matthew is central and helps us understand the prayer and its brevity. In reality, the Lord's Prayer is not so much a prayer as a form of words but a method or series of steps in prayer.

Friday 18 June

2 Corinthians 11:18, 21-30 Paul is unwilling to put himself forward and so the reading is full of ironic affirmations. This paragraph is valuable for the information about the upbringing and ministry of Paul.

Matthew 16:19-23 The "voice" in these reading is the voice of Jesus, the bearer of wisdom. The first paragraph is clear enough and points us to what is of lasting value. It is easy to be distracted by the immediate and the tangible. The second paragraph speaks metaphorically of the eye as the "window" of the body. What is meant here is that our fundamental way of looking at the world and life affects everything about ourselves and about our engagement with the world. How we *allow* the light in determines how much light we enjoy. This raises an essential question: where is my heart?

Saturday 19 June

St Romuald, abbot 2 Corinthians 12:1-10 Some people in Corinth were attracted to leaders with spectacular spiritual experiences. In Paul's mind, this is a wretched foundation for faith — and risks showing off. Nevertheless, he risks telling the Corinthians of his spiritual experiences, all the while affirming that this cannot be the foundation of the faith! It is a remarkable piece of writing — powerful in allusion and disclaimer.

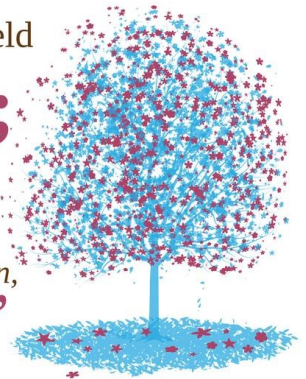
Matthew 6:24-34 This is a favorite passage from the Sermon on the Mount, prized by people well beyond frontiers of Christianity. The vision is Jesus is not "airy-fairy" detachment,

Week of June 14th Readings continued

but a costly choice of values and attitudes, grounded in faith in God. We might feel there's risk of sheer impracticality, but this is overcome by the general statement: "You heavenly father knows you need all these things."

And all the trees of the field
shall know that I am the
LORD;
I bring low the high tree,
and make high the low tree,
dry up the green tree,
and make the dry tree flourish.
I am the lord; I have spoken,
and I will do it."

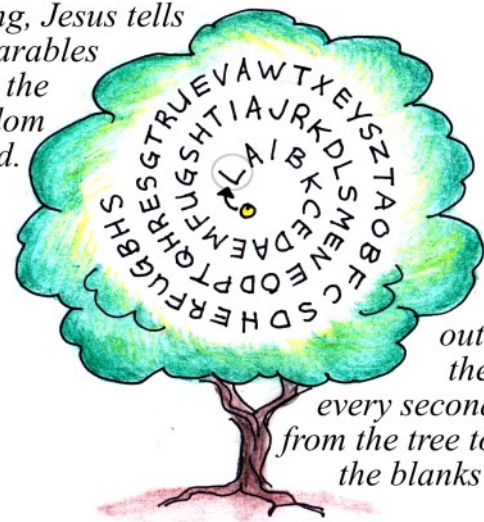
Ezekiel 17:24



KIDS CORNER

11th Sunday in Ordinary Time June 13th, 2021

In today's Gospel reading, Jesus tells two parables about the Kingdom of God.



To find out one of them, use every second letter from the tree to fill in the blanks below.

The Kingdom of Heaven is

When it grows up it becomes

Answer: ...like a mustard seed...the greatest of shrubs.