

Sunday Reflection – Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

What can mustard seeds teach us about the kingdom of God? The tiny mustard seed literally grew to be a tree which attracted numerous birds because they loved the little black mustard seed it produced. God's kingdom works in a similar fashion. It starts from the smallest beginnings in the hearts of men and women who are receptive to God's word. And it



works unseen and causes a transformation from within. Just as a seed has no power to change itself until it is planted in the ground, so we cannot change our lives to be like God until God gives us the power of his Holy Spirit.

The Lord of the Universe is ever ready to transform us by the power of his Spirit. Are we ready to let God change us by his life-giving Word and Spirit? The kingdom of God produces a transformation in those who receive the new life which Jesus Christ offers. When we yield to the Lord Jesus and allow his word to take root in us, our lives are transformed by the power of the Holy Spirit who dwells within us. Do we believe in the transforming power of the Holy Spirit? Let us pray: Lord Jesus, fill me with your Holy Spirit and transform me into the Christ-like holiness you desire. Increase my zeal for your kingdom and instill in me a holy desire to live for your greater glory.

Readings for Sunday,

June 20, 2021

Job 38:1, 8-11

2 Corinthians 5:14-17

Mark 4:35-41



Saint of the Week ... St. Romuald

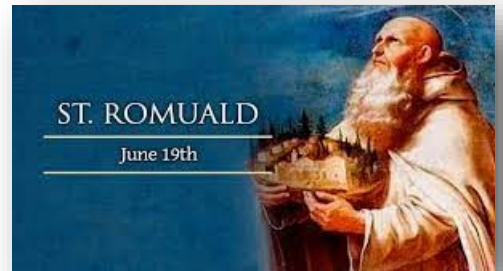
St. Romuald was born at Ravenna about the year 956. In spite of an infinite desire for virtue and sanctity, his early life was wasted in the service of the world and its pleasures.

Romuald watched his father kill a relative in a duel over property. The crime made such an impression upon him that he determined to expiate it for forty days, as though it were entirely his own. For this purpose he retired to a Benedictine monastery near Ravenna, where he became Abbot. After founding several monasteries, he laid the foundations of the austere Order of Camaldoli in Tuscany.

Like all the saints, he fought a lifelong battle against the assaults of devils and men. In the beginning of his spiritual life he was strongly assailed by numerous temptations, which he conquered by vigilance and prayer. More than one attempt was made on his life, but Divine Providence enabled him to escape from the danger. And like many servants of God, he also became the victim of much slander, which he bore in patience and silence.

In his old age, Romuald increased his austerities instead of diminishing them. After a long life of merit, he died in the monastery of Castro, which he founded in Marquisate of Ancona. His death occurred on June 19, about the year 1027.

Sources: franciscanmedia.org and catholic.org



Donation of New Stable

Thanks to the generosity of parishioners Jane and Doug Placka, our church will have a new stable to accompany our outdoor nativity display this Christmas.

The design of this new stable will allow for much easier set up, take down, and storage. But what makes it even more special is that the stable is in memory of their son Jordan who passed away in 2018.

Jane and Doug constructed the stable using barnwood which belonged to Jordan who had planned to use it for his basement remodel.

Thank you, Jane and Doug, for this beautiful gift in Jordan's memory. May God continue to bless you and your family.



*John William
"Jack" Whisner, Jr.*

Born into Life
April 22, 1938

Born into Eternal Life
December 6, 2020

Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord, and let the perpetual light shine upon him. May Jack's soul and all the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at our church on Monday, June 21, at 10 a.m.



**ONE NATION
UNDER GOD,
INDIVISIBLE,**

**WITH LIBERTY AND
JUSTICE FOR ALL.**

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Date	Time	Intention	Offered by
Saturday, June 12	4:00 p.m.	Deceased Members of the Marsh, Roach & Cessna families.....	Linda Marsh
		Soul of Mick Greco	Sue Greco
Sunday, June 13	8:30 a.m.	Soul of Marianna Daskal.....	Jim Daskal
		Soul of Don Starcher.....	Nancy Starcher
Monday, June 14	No Mass		
Tuesday, June 15	No Mass		
Wednesday, June 16	No Mass		
Thursday, June 17	No Mass		
Friday, June 18	No Mass		
Saturday, June 19	4:00 p.m.	All Fathers, Living and Deceased.....	Assumption Parish
Sunday, June 20	8:30 a.m.	All Fathers, Living and Deceased.....	Assumption Parish

There will be no weekday Masses this week while Fr. Thomas is away attending a Diocesan priest retreat.



Collections & Attendance

June 5-6, 2021

Offertory

Offertory Envelopes	\$3,205
Loose Donations.....	\$810
Votive Candles	\$205
Poor Box	\$265
Repairs & Maintenance	\$20
Total.....	\$4,505

Attendance

Saturday 6/5.....	50
Sunday 6/6.....	92
Total.....	142

May 2021 Balance Sheet

May Income.....	\$17,399
April Expenses	\$14,933
Balance	\$2,466

Diocesan Collection

A Diocesan appeal is scheduled for next weekend to benefit the Pastoral Solidarity Fund for the Church in Africa. There will be a separate basket next to the bulletins for this collection.

Volunteers Needed!

We are in need of volunteers to be altar servers, Mass greeters, and church cleaners.

If you can serve our parish in any of these ways, please contact the Parish Office.

Altar Server Training

Altar Server training for new servers will be held next Saturday, June 19, at 11 a.m. This is for new servers only.



Prayer List

Patricia Ansel	Helen Holder*
Jennifer Boling	Aaron Martin
Bobby Dorsey	Paul Miller
Barbara Gratto	Esther Shockey
Beth Grayson	Sue Spotts
Sue Greco	Bill Stine
Barbara Grubbs*	Maleigha Taylor

To have a name added to the prayer list, please call or email the Parish Office, or drop a note in the offertory basket.

**Resident of Stonerise of Keyser (135 Southern Drive, Keyser, WV 26726)*

Liturgical Minister Schedule

Saturday, June 19	Alan Taylor (L) Anita Tetreault (C) Bob & Karen Yowler (U)
Sunday, June 20	Mike Landis (L) Julie Alt (C) Mike & Sonja Stan (U)
Saturday, June 26	Kerri Wittman (L) Linda Marsh (C) <i>to be named</i> (U)
Sunday, June 27	Alan Taylor (L) Patrick George (C) Denny Dolechek (U) Tina Stephen (U)

Email Announcements

Parish announcements are sent by email each week. If you are not receiving them, please call or email the Parish Office to be added to the distribution list. Thank you!

Weekly Bulletin by Mail

Our bulletin is mailed by USPS to parishioners who are unable to attend Mass and do not have internet access. If you know someone who would like to receive the bulletin by mail, please contact the Parish Office.

To report an incidence of suspected child sexual abuse, please contact your local law enforcement agency, or you may confidentially contact WV Child Protective Services at 800.352.6513. In addition to civil authorities, to report suspected cases of sexual abuse by personnel of the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston to the Diocese, please contact the Diocese at 888.434.6237 or 304.233.0880. Please visit www.dwc.org under "Accountability" for additional information and reporting methods.