

St. William the Abbot

Roman Catholic Church



Welcome to St. William the Abbot

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
June 13, 2021



It is like a mustard seed that, when it is sown in the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on the earth. But once it is sown, it springs up and becomes the largest of plants and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the sky can dwell in its shade." - Mark 4:31-32

PARISH INFORMATION

RECTORY

Office: 516.785.1266
2000 Jackson Avenue
Seaford, NY 11783
stwilliam.org

RECTORY HOURS

Monday - Friday
9 AM - 5 PM
Saturday
9 AM - 3 PM
Sunday
9 AM - 1 PM

MASS TIMES

The presider schedule can be found on the parish website stwilliam.org

DAILY MASS

Monday - Friday
8:30 AM

WEEKEND MASS

Saturday
8:30 AM & 5 PM
Sunday
7:30 AM, 9 AM, 10:30 AM, & 12 PM

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, June 13, 2021

People of St. William's
John Haglund
Johnston Family
Francis De Feo

Wednesday, June 16, 2021

Anthony Fuina

Thursday, June 17, 2021

Collective Intentions
Michael & Antoinette De Vincent,
William Zorn, Sr.,
Mary Miller, Mary Burns

Monday, June 14, 2021

Marie Frost

Tuesday, June 15, 2021

Collective Intentions
William Power, Martin Hartmann,
Marlene Gallagher,
Haydee Mentryka

Friday, June 18, 2021

Frank Hillmann

Saturday, June 19, 2021

Purgatorial Society
Nicole Tedeschi

New Rectory Hours

The Rectory will be open
Monday through Friday - 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Saturday - 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM
Sunday - 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Baptism

Theodore Pfister	John O. Llobell
William Fryer	Michela C. Tarasi
Ayden Carreras	William G. Schafer
Anthony Carreras	Brooke M. Hansen
Isabella Carreras	Madilyn G. Barbaro
	Jackson W. Arroyo

Let us welcome those children who were
Baptized this past weekend.

Pray for the Deceased

Teresa M. Murphy

Emma Ustler

Pray for the Sick

Laurie Wasserman		
Arlene Finlay	Mary Palleja	Larry Weinroth
Michael Gelling	Amila Palleja	Dorothy Meinke

We Are the Mustard Seed

I write this letter to you from Phoenix, Arizona where I participated in a conference evaluating how to be intentionally 'mission-minded' in our Catholic Faith, and the 'roll out' of Parish ministries post pandemic. The experience was powerful. It was a mix of close to 500 people, women and men, religious sisters and brothers, and clergy. There was still caution at the convention center as to what was acceptable in regard to protocols and expectations with all of us coming from different states and home church experiences. However, we were reminded early on in the experience that our faith is a faith about connection and relationship. We have all missed in these past 15 months the way we relate to one another and most importantly how we relate to God.

The state of Arizona had removed some of the mandates of masks and social distancing a bit ahead of us in New York, and it became an opportunity for me to watch and learn how to effectively create a space of worship and prayer that allows for safety, flexibility, and comfort. As we move into these first weeks of the summer at St. William's, we will continue with certain parts of the church that will be partitioned off for social distancing while other parts will allow for closer seating opportunities. So many of us have been able to participate and learn from indoor dining at local restaurants without a mask while we eat and socialize, and we have been familiar and at ease.

As we gather as a community of faith to celebrate the Eucharist, it too is a sacred meal, and we will be moving to a policy of masks optional inside the church - especially for those vaccinated. Obviously, those who are more comfortable keeping the mask on are encouraged to do so. Don't worry, we are NOT here to be the "mask police" as greeters and ushers and we will NOT be asking you to show proof of being vaccinated. But we will ask all of us to be mindful of the safety of ourselves and others. Our focus of course will always be to create an environment where we can worship in safety, comfort, and peace. You all have been so cooperative and patient throughout the Pandemic, and I'm grateful for your words of encouragement, advice, and most importantly, support of how we have navigated this very difficult time.

The Gospel this weekend speaks about the Mustard seed, the smallest of all seeds, yet it becomes a bush that so many can find shelter and comfort in. The seed of faith has been planted in so many of us at a young age, and now at this time in our life we are called to sow that into the world. I often reflect on the fact that in the history of this incredible parish, with all of the faithful women and men, young and old, religious, deacons, and priests who have lived and served here - it is now our time to build on the foundation. We must plant the Mustard seed in others, nurture it, and let it grow and thrive. We do that in the way we serve the parish, and obviously not all are called into a specific ministry 100% of the time, but I am hoping this summer will be a time to really pray and discern how God may be calling you at this season of your life.

I have been able to connect with many of our ministries, which has been helpful to see who is still able and willing to serve. I am excited for what is to come, and the new ideas of how to serve on top of past ministries. One great fruit of this conference has been the conversations I have had with different parishes, lay faithful, and priests who have spoken about the importance and beauty of recommissioning the ministries back into service. Looking ahead, my hope is for us to do a Parish Ministry Recruiting Fair in the fall, but in the next few weeks and months to gather some of our current ministries who have decided to continue and to recommission them.

The Corona Virus has put a fatigue on so many of our hearts, and yet we remain hopeful of what is to come. The blessings and success of St. William's comes not from large sweeping programs and events, but small encounters. To 'BE' Jesus and to bring Jesus every day to others. When we do that, we are planting seeds, and it is up to the Lord to allow them to grow. So please pray. How may God be calling you to not only sow seeds for Him, but to also simply be a seed. A Mustard Seed of Hope to the World.

God Bless you and your families, and as always, thank you for your presence and generosity.

Peace,



Rectory News

Wedding Banns I

Robert Weber II
St. William the Abbot
&
Shana Kase
St. Cyril, Deer Park

Christopher Piasecki
St. William the Abbot
&
Alexandra Taliana
St. Brigid, Westbury

Anthony Cardone
St. Rose of Lima, Massapequa
&
Christina Maffei
St. William the Abbot

Corey Till
St. William the Abbot
&
Kristen Ramirez
St. James Church, Seaford



Connor Waltman
Bellmore, New York
&
Melissa McFadden
St. Francis De Chantal, Wantagh

Wedding Banns III

Joseph Devito
Our Lady of Mercy, Hicksville
&
Rebecca Wright
St. Catherine of Sienna, Franklin Square

Father's Day Novena



Our Father's Day Novena of Masses will begin on Father's Day, June 20th. Cards and envelopes for the Father's Day Novena of Masses are available at the doors of the Church and in the Rectory.

If you would like to have your living father remembered, kindly take a donation envelope and card. If you would like to have your deceased father remembered, please use a donation envelope only.

Peter's Pence Collection

Next week, we will take up the Peter's Pence Collection, which unites us and Catholics around the world more closely with the Holy Father in two ways: it supports the structures of the Holy See through which the Pope governs the Church as well as his charitable efforts to assist victims of war, oppression, natural disasters, and others most in need. Please be generous. For more information, visit <http://www.peterspence.va/en.html>.

Take a walk with Father James and Kolbe! All dogs welcome! Email priests@stwilliam.org to schedule a walk.



Extraordinary Ministers

There will be an important meeting of all our Extraordinary Ministers who would like to continue with the ministry, and those who desire to participate in bringing the Eucharist to the homebound on Wednesday, June 16th at 7:00 PM in the Church. For those who cannot attend this meeting, there will be another meeting scheduled on a Saturday morning after Mass at a later date.

Please know that you will not be able to resume Eucharistic Minister activities until you have attended one of these meetings.

Private Prayer

The Church will be open for private prayer Monday through Friday from 7:00 AM – 7:00 PM. If there is something taking place in the church such as a funeral, wedding, class, parent meetings, RCIA, etc., parishioners should understand that they should not remain in church during these activities.

Low Gluten Hosts Available at Mass

For those who must avoid gluten in their diet, the parish has low-gluten hosts available for Holy Communion. If you wish to receive such a host, please arrive prior to Mass and inform the priest and he will place your host in a oyx.

DON'T FORGET YOUR BABY BOTTLE!



St. William the Abbot Parish will be hosting a baby Bottle Fundraiser to benefit The Life Center of Long Island.

The Life Center is a pregnancy help center that consults women and men who are experiencing an unplanned pregnancy.

Most importantly, we are asking you to recite the prayer on the bottle. The prayer attached to the bottle will enable the consultants at The Life Center to say just the right words a mother or father may need to hear. It especially opens a mother's heart to accept the truth. We believe these prayers lead abortion-minded women to call The Life center in the first place.

We are asking that you pick up a baby bottle and fill it up with your donation. (Make checks out to the Life Center of L.I.)

Please return the bottles on June 19th & 20th

Memorials Available

We are pleased to announce that the Sanctuary Candle and the Altar Candles that are used at Mass throughout the week are now available as memorials.

Anyone wishing to donate the Sanctuary Candle or the Altar Candles in memory of a loved one or on the occasion of an anniversary, birthday, etc., can make this request at the Rectory. Please call 516-785-1266. The offering for the Sanctuary Candle is \$15 and the offering for the Altar Candles is \$30. The name of the person will be announced in the bulletin for each week the candles are donated.

Dispensation from Mass

As a reminder, the dispensation from the requirement to attend Sunday Mass remains in effect. Those who are most vulnerable and at a greater risk (due to age, preexisting health conditions or being in close proximity to vulnerable people) are encouraged to remain home at this time.

If a person shows any symptoms of illness, they are asked to please not come to church. We encourage you to join us for Mass online on the parish website stwilliam.org

Sacristy



For the safety of our Priests, we ask that parishioners refrain from entering the Sacristy. Please do not hand offering envelopes, letters etc. to the Priests. Please drop them off in the Rectory Mail Slot.

Arrive Early & Wear Your Mask



We do ask that everyone arrive early so that we can seat everyone before the start of Mass. **We ask that all parishioners wear their mask covering their nose and mouth at all times while inside the church.**

Holy Communion

Because of concerns regarding the coronavirus, we request that those who choose to receive on the tongue wait at the end of the line. Please present themselves to the priest only to receive Holy Communion, and are asked to open their mouth and extend their tongue so the host can be placed on it without the priest's hand making contact with the recipient.

If you choose to receive in the hand, please place your hand out very straight and flat to allow the priest or minister to place the Eucharist safely in order to avoid contact with your hand. We also kindly remind everyone to please remove your mask before receiving Holy Communion, whether you choose to receive on the tongue or in the hand. Please put it back on after you have consumed the host.

Emergency

If there is an emergency in which you need to contact a priest immediately, please call the Priest Emergency telephone - 516-312-7361.

LIVE-STREAMED MASSES

Join us online to view our live-streamed masses on the parish website stwilliam.org.

Monday - Friday 8:30 AM

Saturday 5:00 PM

Sunday 12:00 PM

Have a question for the priests?



Stump the Priest questions can be emailed to priests@stwilliam.org.

Light a Prayer Candle



Lighting candles has long been a sacred ritual in all traditions, creating precious moments in our own and other people's lives where we pray for loved ones, friends, and ask for or give support.

Memorializing

The Rectory is issuing Mass Cards, enrollment in the Purgatorial Society, Memorializing the Wine, Host, Candles and Altar Flowers. Please call the Rectory for more information (516) 785-1266 or email information@stwilliam.org



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CONVERSATIONS WITH PODRE



WEEKLY PODCAST EPISODES
POSTED ON WEDNESDAYS AT 5PM

Associate Pastor
FR. JAMES HANSEN



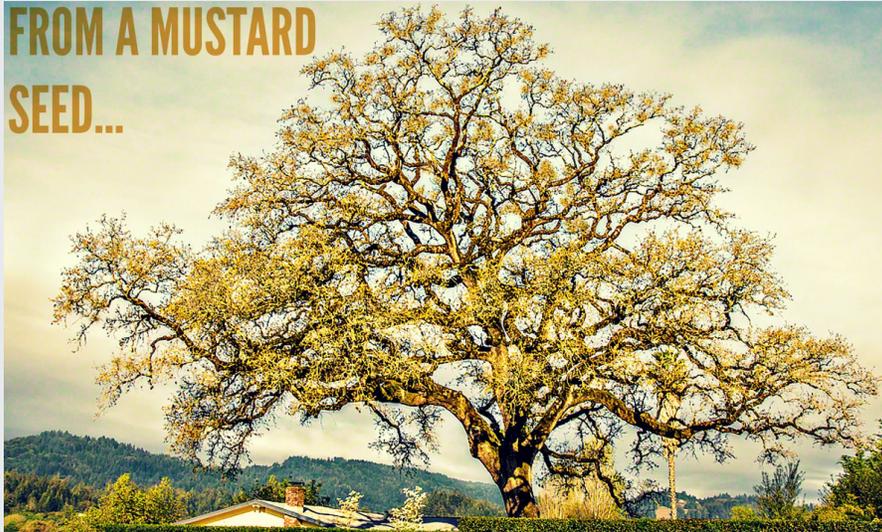
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APPLE PODCAST
AND
[STWILLIAM.ORG](http://stwilliam.org)



Faith Formation

Today we hear about a tiny little seed, the mustard seed. "The seed is the word of God; Christ is the sower. All who come to him will live forever". If you were to plant a mustard seed, it would grow into a large tree. You would get many birds to rest on the branches. The way the birds multiply in the tree is just like how we are with our faith with God. Jesus compares the mustard seed to the Kingdom of God. Some people may have little faith or no faith in God but having faith even as small as a mustard seed can flourish into a very strong faith and a deep relationship with Jesus. All it takes is just a planting of a seed, like a farmer does to grow his crop. Just as Jesus was teaching his disciples and others, we also are taught, by going to Church and listening and praying. Jesus has always spread the good news of the Lord, now it is our turn to be that seed that we can plant in others.

Faith Formation has contacted the Parents regarding incomplete work assignments. If you need to have the link resent for the assignments, please email us at faithformation@stwilliam.org



Seminarian Greg Marino's Corner



This week, we will be looking at an event that St. William the Abbot is famous for, namely his "Miracle of the Wolf." Although this miracle is a legend, that does not make it untrue. It has been passed down throughout the ages vividly enough where almost any statue or image of St. William will show him standing next to a tame wolf. Here is the story.

As a hermit, he adopted a donkey to assist him in his daily living endeavors, and it proved to be most convenient and friendly. One day, however, a wolf came along and ate the donkey, but St. William did not in return kill the wolf. Instead, he ordered the wolf to obey him, and the wolf bowed in respect and immediately begin working for St. William. This is an unbelievable course of events, but as St. Luke tells us in his Gospel, nothing will be impossible for God (Luke 1:37). In the pilgrimage to Montevergine, the faithful claim to still see the wolf to this day, upon praying to the Blessed Virgin Mary.

May we learn the power of faith from this great and holy man, not doubting but believing in God's presence and absolute potency over everything in the world. We should remember that even if we cannot perform such an amazing miracle such as this, we can take part in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, pray with devotion, and love our enemies, and eventually become saints. Especially in today's world, that is miracle, and Our Lord Himself gives it to us every day.



Stump the Priest



IS IT A SIN WHEN EMOTIONALLY I FIND IT HARD TO CARE ABOUT THINGS?

Caring about “things” is the prime responsibility given by God to human beings. In the book of Genesis we read: “The Lord God then took the man and settled him in the Garden of Eden, to cultivate and care for it.” (Gen. 2:15 NAB) This explains the natural inclination and tendency in all human beings to show care towards all that there is within the social and physical environment.

The word “emotion” has its root in the Latin *emovere* which means, “to move”, or “to move out.” A split of the English even gives us “e – motion”; and we understand motion to be a movement through a distance. On this basis, emotion can be explained as an innate driving force, a tendency, an inclination, and moving of the mind or soul, and for that matter, the whole of a person, in response to a situation or a need. The need or situation could be several and varied and the expression of the emotion can be on a positive note as well as on a negative note. For a major part, it is this natural inclination and driving force to show care, rather than a mere toil for salary, that is seen at play in a Firefighter rushing into a building consumed in thick smoke and flames, a Cop or a Paramedic moving into a gory crime scene, an Army Officer at the war front, a Health Worker saving lives in the midst of a pandemic, a Veterinary Officer reaching out to save a trapped animal, and even by-standers or revelers volunteering to save lives in an emergency situation, to mention but a few.

Against this backdrop we have the sense that it is natural, it is human, socially expected, and a moral obligation to move forward in response to a need or a situation calling for our attention and care; most especially when it falls within the orbit of our authority, jurisdiction and responsibility. Consequently, those who feel the need to, and then are able to move forward to give a required response are referred to as responsible. It is also on this basis that the state or the country makes laws and thereby punish those who fail to show care towards, for example, kids, relatives, pets, and the compound, among others.

In the book of James it is stated that: “for one who knows the right thing to do and does not do it, it is a sin.” (James 4: 17 NAB) In the church’s teaching this is called the sin of omission. That is why in the Mass we say: “I confess to God and to you my brothers and sisters that I have greatly sinned... in what I have done and in what I have failed to do...” Caring about things can also be said to be implied in the commandment to love one another as we love ourselves because to love is to care and vice versa. Another does not only refer to human beings but also all of created things in the physical environment.

St. William the Abbot Feast Day Celebration Information

- Please send in your RSVP information to the Rectory or register online at the parish website by June 18. We need to provide the food trucks and vendors an accurate count.
- There will be various food trucks with an array of food and dessert options.
- Please bring your lawn chairs or blankets.
- There will be carnival games, mobile rock climbing, and entertainment for all ages.
- If you are attending the 5pm Mass, it will be outside.
- Enjoy Live Music

Fun for the whole family!



ST. WILLIAM THE ABBOT RC CHURCH

Feast Day Celebration

**JOIN US TO CELEBRATE THE FEAST DAY OF
ST. WILLIAM THE ABBOT**

SATURDAY, JUNE 26
JOIN US FOR THE 5PM MASS,
THEN STAY FOR THE CELEBRATION AT 6PM ON THE SCHOOL CAMPUS

FOOD TRUCKS

CARNIVAL GAMES

ENTERTAINMENT

**PLEASE MAIL OR DROP OFF THIS REGISTRATION FORM TO THE RECTORY OFFICE.
YOU CAN ALSO REGISTER ONLINE ON THE PARISH WEBSITE STWILLIAM.ORG.
REGISTRATION IS ON A FIRST COME, FIRST SERVE BASIS UNTIL SPOTS ARE FILLED.**

NAME: _____ CONTACT NUMBER: _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

AMOUNT OF PEOPLE ATTENDING: _____

• **EVENT ENDS AT 9PM**



Students in K-2 have loved working in their poetry journals this year! Each week, the children receive a new poem that goes along with the theme they are working on. Each day, they do something different with the poem—they illustrate it, highlight letters, digraphs or sight words and sing the poem, as well. Each poem comes with a QR code that the children can scan that brings them to a video of the poem they can sing along to! The children remember earlier ones and love to sing them all year long! Their last poem next week will be all about summer vacation! We always love working in our poetry journals in K-2!



4th grade students participated in the New York Environment Association annual poster contest. The theme this year was, "We All Live in a Watershed" and "Water Conservation". Ms. Lombardo is happy to announce a few 4th grade winners! Congratulations on a job well done sharing the importance of protecting our environment with your creative art!

1st place, Jaclyn Augustin

2nd place, Molly Miller

3rd place, Quinlan Damalo

Honorable Mentions: Dorian Collymore, Alex Tillis, Marisa Dukiet



Scouting is well-represented at SWS! Happy Scout Day! Let's count our many blessings today. God, Family, Country!



Congratulations!

Parish Social Ministry

Food Donations

The food donations bins will no longer be located in the Church. Please bring all donations directly to Parish Social Ministry Office, the church no longer has donation bins. The Social Ministry office is located South of the Church.

Monday - Friday

9:30am - 4:00pm

Sunday

By Appointment Only

Gardening for God

While planting or harvesting your garden this season, remember the families in our parish that are hungry.

Consider donating some of your fresh vegetables to the food pantry. Fresh vegetables are a blessing for the families we serve!



Food Pantry

Bread Crumbs
Fresh Vegetables
Chunky Beef Soups
Vegetable Soups

Rice a Roni
Peanut Butter
Cooking Oil (sm/med size)

Loss of a Loved One to Addiction

The heartache of grief can be complicated when losing a loved one to an addiction. Although we each grieve in our own way, we do not have to grieve alone. Adults can attend a virtual bereavement and support group with the YES Counseling Center starting this month via Zoom. Email Kathleen Coletta at kcoletta@yesccc.org for the Zoom invite. Sessions are 7-8p the second Monday of each month.

Parish Contact Information

CONTACT THE PRIESTS

Please send your email to priests@stwilliam.org to contact Fr. Joe, Fr. James or Fr. Collins directly.

CONTACT THE PASTORAL COUNCIL

Please send your email to pastoralcouncil@stwilliam.org.

QUESTIONS FOR COMMUNICATIONS

Please send your email to igomez@stwilliam.org.

QUESTIONS FOR THE RECTORY

Please send your email to information@stwilliam.org.

CONTACT THE BUSINESS MANAGER

Please send your email to jgoldman@stwilliam.org.

CONTACT FAITH FORMATION

Please send your email to faithformation@stwilliam.org or contact the office directly at (516) 783-2528.

CONTACT SOCIAL MINISTRY

Please send your email to socialministry@stwilliam.org or contact the office directly at (516) 679-8532.

CONTACT THE SCHOOL

St. William the Abbot School



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Seaford, NY 11783
stwilliamtheabbot.net

Emergency Rental Assistance Program

This program assists households behind on their rent that have experienced financial hardship due to COVID-19. The program can provide temporary rental assistance AND assistance with unpaid utility bills. You may be eligible if you have received unemployment benefits, experienced a reduction in income, incurred significant costs or experienced financial hardship directly or indirectly due to the pandemic. For more eligibility information call the Social Ministry office, visit <https://otda.ny.gov/ERAP> or call 844—NY1RENT.

Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP)

This year, the deadline for heating assistance applications was extended through August 31, 2021. HEAP helps eligible households meet the cost of heating their homes. The benefit can pay for fuel, your utility source, heating equipment replacement and repairs. The benefit is paid either directly to the heating vendor or utility company. You can apply for HEAP every year when the program is open.

The 2020-2021 Cooling Assistance benefit opened on May 3, 2021. If you are eligible, you may receive one Cooling Assistance benefit per applicant household for the purchase and installation of an air conditioner or a fan to help your home stay cool.

To review your eligibility and apply for these programs, please visit <https://otda.ny.gov/programs/heap> or call the social ministry office for assistance.

Consider Automated Giving

Automated giving provides a steady stream of support. It is a great way to manage your Sunday Offerings without the worry of missing a payment and the worry of forgetting your weekly envelope.

We are able to offer the ability of having Sunday Offerings deposited directly from your checking or savings account into the St. William's account. This would apply only to weekly collections, not to any second collections, such as Holy Days, Catholic Relief Services, etc.

The form to begin this process can be printed, filled out and mailed to the Rectory. Please be sure to attached a voided check.

Authorization Agreement for Automated Giving

I, _____, hereby authorize the R. C. Church of St. William the Abbot, 2000 Jackson Avenue, Seaford, NY 11783 to initiate debit entries to my Checking () Savings () account indicated below and the depository named below to debit the same such amount.

Amount \$ _____ Monthly on the fifteenth of the month.

Depository: Name _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Banking Transit ABA # _____
(always nine digits)

Bank Account Number _____

(Attach to this form a voided check if checking account debit or a pre-printed savings deposit ticket if savings account).

This authorization is to remain in full force effect until the R. C. Church of St. William the Abbot has received written notification at least five business days in advance of the desired termination date.

(Authorized signature for above account)

(Print Name)

Date: _____

If second signature is required:

(Authorized signature for above account)

(Print Name)

Date: _____

Saint Anthony

Saint Anthony is the patron saint of lost things. Pray to Saint Anthony if you can't find your shoes in the morning. There are 12 items lost in this picture. Can you find a needle, toothbrush, bone, comb, party hat, paper clip, banana, cup, heart, ruler, saw, and carrot?





Catholic Kids



Bulletin

June 13, 2021
Ordinary Time
Color: Green

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BOWYOURPEICJSO

Lord, it is
good to give
thanks to
you.

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How many crosses can you find in your church?



First Reading



Psalm



Second Reading



Gospel



Offerings



Holy Gifts



Communion



Mass of Luke



Prayer Intentions



Our Father



Lamb of God



Communion





Draw lines to connect the matching birds.

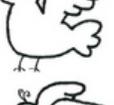
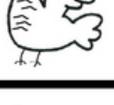










Jesus teaches using stories called

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Gospel



Jesus compared the kingdom of God to a mustard seed. The seed is tiny when it is planted, but it becomes a GIANT tree. The tree that comes from the tiny seed grows so big that birds can live in the branches! The kingdom of God grows and grows like a mustard seed.