



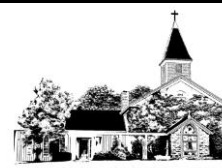
St. Cyril of Alexandria
28 Walton St.
Alexandria Bay, NY

Saturday 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 10:00 a.m.

The Catholic Community of Alexandria
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Rev. Douglas G. Comstock, Pastor
Bernard Slate, Deacon
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St. Francis Xavier
28685 Butterfield Lake Rd
Redwood, NY

Sunday 8:30 a.m.

Liturgy Schedule for Week of November 1, 2020

- Saturday, Oct. 31, 2010 Feast of All Saints**
5:00 p.m. Pauline Tidd by Rod, Lisa, Cristofer & Dominic Tidd
- Sunday, Nov. 1, 2020**
8:30 a.m. (SFX) The Family of Emma Watson by her Estate
10:00 a.m. Carmen Penn by Connie Cavallario
- Monday, Nov. 2, 2020**
8:00 a.m. The Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day)
- Tuesday, Nov. 3, 2020**
8:00 a.m. The Needs of our Parishioners
- Wednesday, Nov. 4, 2020**
8:00 a.m. Molly Beattie by Mom & Dad
- Thursday, Nov. 5, 2010**
8:00 a.m. Aaron Sobieski by Amanda Rydberg & Crystal Sutton
- Friday, Nov. 6, 2020**
8:00 a.m. Harley McConaell by Mike & Barb Bresnahan
- Saturday, Nov. 7, 2020 Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**
5:00 p.m. Audrey Pratt by Deacon Bernie Slate
- Sunday, Nov. 8, 2020**
8:30 a.m. (SFX) All the Angels
10:00 a.m. Joe Cullen by Jim & Linda Reynolds

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 3:45 – 4:30 p.m. at St. Cyril of Alexandria Church
Sunday 8:00 – 8:15 a.m. at St. Francis Xavier Church

Our Stewardship

October 24 - 25, 2020

Envelopes	\$1,862.00	Tower and Stone Restoration Project	
Plate	\$294.00		
Youth			
Electronic Giving	\$195.42	Fuel Collection	\$200.00
Total	\$2,351.42	Total Fuel Contrib.to Date	\$11,756.60
Last Year	\$1,991.41	Total Fuel Goal in '16-'17	\$21,339.00

Election Night Ham Dinner

***Have you made your reservation for our Election Night Ham Dinner
on Tuesday, November 3rd.***

Adults: \$10.00 Children: 5:00 Children under 5 years are Free

Curbside Pick-Up Only from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m.

Reservations necessary. Call Carol Shepard at 315-482-5227 or Joanne Fitch at 315-955-5504
Call 955-5504 for Delivery

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CONTINUING CHRIST'S MISSION
THE 2020 BISHOP'S FUND APPEAL

Our parish's Bishop's Fund Appeal activity is drawing to a close. To date \$13,423.00 has been given or pledged by seventy-two donors. This is 91.39% of our Parish Goal of \$14,687.00. Bishop LaValley would like to thank everyone who has made a gift or pledge to date.

Online giving is also available at <https://www.rcdony.org/bfa.html#donate>.

MARTYRS

This weekend we celebrate All Saints Day, the day on which Catholics honor all the saints, known and unknown. It is an old feast arising out of the Christian tradition of celebrating the martyrdom of saints on the anniversary of their martyrdom. When martyrs increased during the persecutions of the late Roman Empire, local dioceses instituted one common feast day to assure that all were properly honored.

"The word martyr derives from the Greek for "witness", originally applied to the apostles who had witnessed Christ's life and resurrection. Later it was used to describe those who, arrested and on trial, admitted to being Christians. By the middle of the second century, it was granted to those who suffered execution for their faith.

Christians were not alone in willing to die for their principles. The philosopher Socrates was unjustly condemned to death in 399 BC for "refusing to recognize the gods" and "corrupting the youth" of Athens. There was, however, a striking difference between Socrates and those martyred in the arenas. The philosopher hoped for, but was not sure of, an afterlife. The martyr, however, was very certain of an afterlife. Indeed, the martyr was certain not just of an afterlife but of salvation and reward in heaven." [*The violent birth of 'martyrdom'* from The Conversation]

St. Stephen is recognized as a saint and the first martyr in Christian theology. He was condemned for committing blasphemy against the Jewish Temple, and was stoned to death around the year 36. St. Stephen's feast day is Dec. 26.

Not all martyrs are saints, although many who became saints were also martyred, such as St. John Fisher and St. Thomas More. In the case of martyrs who are candidates for canonization, the evidence of a miracle is not required for beatification, but one miracle is required before canonization.

"The Center for the Study of Global Christianity has done extensive research on Christian martyrdom, both historical and contemporary. They estimate that between 2005 and 2015 there were 900,000 Christian martyrs worldwide."

The modern use of the word "martyr" has evolved into one of the most emotive terms in the English language. Many protest about a terrorist's claim to the title of martyr...that their act of murderous self-destruction bears no relation to the steadfast, but essentially passive, courage of those persecuted for their beliefs in ages past.

Judy Pearson

During the Pandemic Recovery Period

At this time, the number of people able to physically attend Mass will be limited to 99 in St. Cyril of Alexandria Church and 50 in St. Francis Xavier Church. To attend with smaller numbers, try the 8:00 a.m. Mass on Monday through Friday.

While sitting in your pew and maintaining social distance, it is okay to lower your mask

The Sunday Mass from St. Cyril's Church is available online at www.stcyrils.org.