

 <p>St. Cyril of Alexandria 28 Walton St. Alexandria Bay, NY</p> <hr/> <p>Saturday 5:00 p.m. Sunday 10:00 a.m.</p>	<p>The Catholic Community of Alexandria 17 Rock St. Alexandria Bay, NY 13607 315-482-2670</p> <p>pastor@stcyriils.org www.stcyriils.org</p> <p>Rev. Douglas G. Comstock, Pastor Bernard Slate, Deacon Joel Walentuk, Deacon</p>	 <p>St. Francis Xavier 28685 Butterfield Lake Rd Redwood, NY</p> <hr/> <p>Sunday 8:30 a.m.</p>
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Liturgy Schedule for Week of November 29, 2020

- Saturday, Nov. 28, 2010 The First Sunday of Advent**
5:00 p.m. Chris Henry by the Wallo and Rose Families
- Sunday, Nov. 29, 2020**
8:30 a.m. (SFX) The Family of Emma George by her Estate
10:00 a.m. John Patrick O'Neill by the Gary Grausgruber Family
- Monday, Nov. 30, 2020**
8:00 a.m. The Needs of our Parishioners
- Tuesday, Dec. 1, 2020**
8:00 a.m. Brian Yaussi by his Mother, Martha O'Donnell
- Wednesday, Dec. 2, 2020**
8:00 a.m. Stanley Dodd by Ann McManman
- Thursday, Dec. 3, 2010**
8:00 a.m. Kenneth DeThomas by Richard & Nancy VanDeusen
- Friday, Dec. 4, 2020**
8:00 a.m. The Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day)
- Saturday, Dec. 5, 2020 The Second Sunday of Advent**
5:00 p.m. Marie Bouchey by Tom & Barbara Bradley
- Sunday, Dec. 6, 2020**
8:30 a.m. (SFX) The Deceased Members of the Sourwine Family by Tom Sourwine
10:00 a.m. Leah Cerow by Mike & Suziee Bogart

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

November 21 - 22

Envelopes	\$1147.00	Tower and Stone Restoration Project	\$10.50
Plate	\$140.00	Campaign for Human Development	\$443.00
Youth			
Electronic Giving	\$205.42	Fuel Collection	\$35.00
Total	\$1,492.42	Total Fuel Contrib.to Date	\$12,484.60
Last Year	\$1,965.72	Total Fuel Goal in '16-'17	\$21,339.00

Angel Tree

The Angel Tree is up and ready again for your generous help in making a more blessed Christmas for the less fortunate of our community. This year there are both angels and gift cards hanging. The angels are for the children's gifts and the gift cards are for gas or grocery gift cards for the family. Please return the gifts UNWRAPPED to Church by Sunday, December 6th. Since the volunteers will be wrapping all the gifts this year, any donation of gift wrap would also be greatly appreciated.

During this Pandemic 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. Liturgy on Monday through Friday.

Please wear your mask at all times at Mass except when receiving Holy Communion.

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

BIRDS OF THE BIBLE

Birds have been used as powerful symbols in religion, myth, and folklore around the world for thousands of years, and the messages that they bring remain as relevant now as before. Birds may be strength or hope, omen or oracle. Birds are found in the ancient mythologies of almost every culture. And they appear at the beginning and the end of the Bible.

If you are careful to look, you will find them: God hovers over the face of the water in Genesis, like a *dove*; birds gorge on the flesh of the defeated "beast" in Revelation. They are the currency of mercy, the birds of sacrifice; they bring bread to the prophets; they are food for the wanderers.

We see God as a bird who carries the Israelites on His wings...a bird under whose feathers we find refuge. Jesus compares Himself to a hen. In Matthew He asks his hearers to "consider the birds of the air." And in Luke, He more specifically says, "Consider the *raven*."

The New Testament mentions at least 6 different types of birds; even more are found in the Old Testament.

Birds in the Bible represent both the "good" and the "bad". Birds like the *dove*, *sparrow*, *robin*, *peacock*, *eagle* and others point to what is noble, what is the best in us.

But some of the birds, like the *blackbird* and *raven*, touch on the darker aspects within us...things at which we would not like to look. The raven is an example. This bird tells us of death, of which many of us choose not to be reminded.

Over the next few weeks, we will look at many of the birds of the Bible...some quite closely (Dove, Pelican, and Cardinal) and some more casually (raven and several others).

I am a bird lover and was pleased to learn why God mentions them in the Bible. But whether you enjoy birds or not, I hope you will enjoy hearing about these feathered friends and their spiritual meanings.

Judy Pearson



What You Can Do:

Advent is a time of waiting, anticipation and vigilance.

Advent is an impressionistic time:

- **A time for the poetry of Isaiah**
- **A time for the message to repent of John the Baptist**
- **A time for Mary, expecting the coming of her Son**
- **A time for Jesus to come once again into our hearts and into our world**
- **A time for you and me to be the sign that God-is-with-us!**