
 <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 February 14, 2021

- Saturday, Feb. 13, 2021 Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**
5:00 p.m. Ann Northrup by Peg & Dan Wallo
- Sunday, Feb. 14, 2021**
8:30 a.m. (SFX) Christopher Spinelli by Robert & Cynthia Nelson & Family
10:00 a.m. Richard Durand by Roderick, Lisa Tidd & Family
- Monday, Feb. 15, 2021**
8:00 a.m. Sr. Mary Elizabeth Washburn, A.P.B.
- Tuesday, Feb. 16, 2021**
8:00 a.m. The Living and Deceased Members of the Carla Cafferty Family
By Mike & Jan Joyce
- Wednesday, Feb. 17, 2021 Ash Wednesday**
8:30 a.m. [SFX] Harold George by the Estate of Emma George
5:15 p.m. [SC] Terry Bresnahan by Russ & Sue Pfister
- Thursday, Feb. 18, 2021**
5:15 p.m. John Flynn by Richard Kavanaugh & Camp Hre'Tiz
- Friday, Feb. 19, 2021**
8:00 a.m. Marjorie LaBella by Lucy Grausgruber
- Saturday, Feb. 20, 2021 First Sunday of Lent**
5:00 p.m. Chester "Chet" Gamble by Kevin Rose & Family
- Sunday, Feb. 21, 2021**
8:30 a.m. (SFX) Christopher Spinelli by Robert & Cynthia Nelson & Family
10:00 a.m. Marie Tousant by the Grausgruber Family

Sacrament of Reconciliation

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

Our Stewardship
February 6 - 7, 2021

Envelopes	\$2,228.00	Respect Life	\$50.00
Plate	\$101.00	Tower and Stone Restoration	\$1,100.00
Youth			
Electronic Giving	\$212.22	Fuel Collection	\$346.00
Total	\$2,541.22	Total Fuel Contribution to Date	\$10,584.16
Last Year	\$964.89	Total Fuel Goal in '20 – '21	\$21,339.00

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.

Our Sunday Mass may be viewed on www.stcyriils.org

St. Valentine/Valentine's Day

On Sunday we celebrate St. Valentine's Day, inspired, we believe, by St. Valentine of Rome. Originally, there was much confusion as to the St. Valentine connected with this holiday, as there were a dozen known "St. Valentines" as well as a pope who had this title. Valentinus (Valentine)...from the Latin meaning worthy, strong or powerful...was a popular name between the 2nd and 8th centuries. St. Valentine of Rome, a 3rd century Roman saint gained the title of the "true Valentine" as he was the one most widely celebrated on February 14 and most commonly associated with "courtly love."

Still, there is question as to whether this man was the temple priest Valentine or the Bishop of Terni Valentine or did both seemingly different accounts actually describe the same man? The information here does not address this dilemma. It was settled that St. Valentine of Rome was to be the one connected with the holiday, perhaps because he was martyred for helping Christians wed. He was beheaded and buried on the Via Flamina to the north of Rome.

St. Valentine was removed from the General Roman Calendar because of this confusion; but the Church still recognizes him as a saint and he is listed in the February 14 spot of Roman Martyrology.

The flower-adorned skull of St. Valentine is on display in the basilica of Santa Maria in Cosmedin, Rome. Bits and pieces of the late saint's body have been distributed to reliquaries around the world: the Czech Republic, Ireland, Scotland, England & France.

The history of Valentine's Day has also been shrouded in mystery. Some believe that the date of Valentine's Day was selected to commemorate the anniversary of St. Valentine's death/burial around 270 AD; others believe that the Christian church placed it in the middle of the month to "Christianize" the pagan celebration of *Lubercalia*, a fertility festival dedicated to Faunus, the Roman god of agriculture and to the Roman founders, Romulus & Remus.

Lupercalia was outlawed as "unchristian" the end of the 5th century and Pope Gelasius declared February 14 as Valentine's Day. But it was much later when it became truly associated with Love when the English poet, Geoffrey Chaucer, focused on Valentine's Day as a romantic celebration in his 1375 poem, Paliament of Foules, declaring it was this day that "every foule cometh ther to choose his mate."

In addition to the United States, Valentine's Day is celebrated in Canada, Mexico, the United Kingdom, France and Australia.

Judy Pearson

St. Mary's Church of Ticonderoga has invited us to join them as they offer a special Lenten Parish Mission podcast hosted by Father J. Roger McGuinness!

Fr. J. Roger McGuinness has been a priest of the Diocese of Ogdensburg for over 50 years. He has been a pastor, seminary and university professor, retreat master, college chaplain and vocation director. Now retired from active ministry he continues to write and give spiritual direction.

Fr. Roger will be leading us in a Lenten mission featuring weekly reflections on the Sunday gospel readings. He will also offer a special reflection on the life of St. Joseph on March 19th, the Feast of St. Joseph

The podcast can be found at our website <https://www.route74catholics.org/fatherroger> It can also be found at Apple Podcasts, Google Podcasts and Spotify. The first episode will be available on February 16th.

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