
 <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 May 16, 2021

- Saturday, May 15, 2021 *Seventh Sunday of Easter***
5:00 p.m. Rose Lamarais by Connie Cavallario
- Sunday, May 16, 2021**
8:30 a.m. (SFX) The Bowdy and Daugard Families by Marialyce & Dick Daugard
10:00 a.m. Ellen Cronk by Deacon Bernie Slate
- Monday, May 17, 2021**
8:00 a.m. The Needs of our Parishioners
- Tuesday, May 18, 2021**
8:00 a.m. The Intention of Tom and Judy Compo by Mike & Jan Joyce
- Wednesday, May 19, 2021**
8:00 a.m. Joanne Alari by Fluffy & Tony Cardwell
- Thursday, May 20, 2021**
8:00 a.m. Mimi Kendall by Deacon Bernie Slate
- Friday, May 21, 2021**
8:00 a.m. *Liturgy of the Word with Communion*
- Saturday, May 22, 2021 **Pentecost Sunday****
5:00 p.m. Robert Shepard by Kathy & Tony Folino
- Sunday, May 23, 2021**
8:30 a.m. (SFX) Harold George by the Estate of Emma George
10:00 a.m. Dick Hof by Mike & Jan Joyce

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

Summer Mass Schedule

A reminder that our Summer Mass Schedule takes effect on May 29/30 which is the Memorial Day Weekend, and continues through the Columbus Day Weekend, Oct. 9/10:

At St. Cyril's on Saturday afternoon at 5:30 p.m. and Sunday morning at 9:30 a.m.
At St. Francis Xavier on Sunday morning at 8:00 a.m.

Our Stewardship
May 8 - 9, 2021

Envelopes	\$1,480.00	Catholic Charities (Mother's Day)	\$1,907.00
Plate	\$808.00	Donations`	\$480.00
Youth			
Electronic Giving	\$115.42	Fuel Collection	\$25.00
Total	\$2,403.42	Total Fuel Contribution to Date	\$13,182.16
Last Year	\$1,691.67	Total Fuel Goal in '20 – '21	\$21,339.00

During the Continuing Pandemic Period

Wearing a mask during Mass is still required, as is maintaining a social distance of six feet between persons who are not from the same household or bubble. All are asked to wear their masks throughout Mass except when receiving Holy Communion. However, it is possible for parishioners to lower their masks while they are seated in their pews, provided they observe physical distancing,

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

Our Weekend Mass may be viewed any time on www.stcyrils.org

“Only God Can Make A Tree”

Most people will not recognize Joyce Kilmer by name, but will likely know his famous Arbor Day poem, “Trees.” Many young school children have memorized it. as I did in grade school; and I find myself saying it as we walk on the Black River Trail surrounded by so many magnificent trees.

Trees

I think that I shall never see
A poem lovely as a tree.
A tree whose hungry mouth is prest
Against the sweet earth's flowing breast;
A tree that looks at God all day,
And lifts her leafy arms to pray;
A tree that may in summer wear
A nest of robins in her hair;
Upon whose bosom snow has lain;
Who intimately lives with rain.
Poems are made by fools like me,
But only God can make a tree.

Most modern critics consider Kilmer’s work naïve and saccharin. Yet the late John W. Donohue, SJ, writer and educator, wrote in 1993, that while “even mild academic critics turn into werewolves when they consider the popularity of ‘Trees’, which Kilmer wrote when he was 23, it is quite possibly the best-known American poem of this century.”

There are many other reasons to remember the poet and the poem. “This manifestly theistic work is that of a former atheist whose Christian faith and literary vocation were forged in the crucible of his daughter’s losing battle with polio. ‘If what I now write is considered poetry’, he said, ‘then I became a poet in November 1913,’ which just happened to be the month and year in which Kilmer became a Catholic.” (Matt Malone SJ)

Just a few weeks after the United States entered WWI, Kilmer wrote his last words and enlisted in the army. He sailed to France with New York’s Fighting 59th. He was killed in the Second Battle of the Marne. He was 31 years old.

“We should remember Joyce Kilmer not just on Arbor Day, but on Memorial Day as well. And if one day your child comes home from school, eager to recite the few lines of Kilmer’s she learned that day, be sure to tell her the rest of the story; how this simple, faithful poet gave his life for God and country, in a country not his own, beneath trees that only God had made.” (Matt Malone, SJ)

Judy Pearson