

 <p><b>St. Cyril of Alexandria</b> 28 Walton St. Alexandria Bay, NY</p> <hr/> <p>Saturday 5:00 p.m. Sunday 10:00 a.m.</p>	<p><b>The Catholic Community of Alexandria</b> 17 Rock St. Alexandria Bay, NY 13607 315-482-2670</p> <p><a href="mailto:pastor@stcyriils.org">pastor@stcyriils.org</a>   <a href="http://www.stcyriils.org">www.stcyriils.org</a></p> <p><b>Rev. Douglas G. Comstock, Pastor</b> <b>Bernard Slate, Deacon</b> <b>Joel Walentuk, Deacon</b></p>	 <p><b>St. Francis Xavier</b> 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 23, 2021**

**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

**Monday, May 24, 2021**  
8:00 a.m.      The Needs of our Parishioners

**Tuesday, May 25, 2021**  
8:00 a.m.      *Liturgy of the Word with Communion*

**Wednesday, May 26, 2021**  
8:00 a.m.      The Intention of Kelly Crosby by Mike & Jan Joyce

**Thursday, May 27, 2021**  
8:00 a.m.      Richard Durand by John & Sharon Huddleston

**Friday, May 28, 2021**  
8:00 a.m.      The Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day)

**Saturday, May 29, 2021      *The Most Holy Trinity***  
5:30 p.m.      Marie Tousant by the Wallo & Rose Families

**Sunday, May 30, 2021**  
8:00 a.m. (SFX)      Mr. and Mrs. John George by the Estate of Emma George  
9:30 a.m.      Frank Cavallario by his Wife, Connie Cavallario

**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 **next weekend** 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 15 - 16, 2021

Envelopes	\$1,453.00	Catholic Charities (Mother's Day)	\$503.00
Plate	\$995.78	Flowers	\$3.00
Youth		Memorial Donations	\$25.00
Electronic Giving	\$426.50	Fuel Collection	\$105.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,875.28</b>	Total Fuel Contribution to Date	<b>\$13,287.16</b>
Last Year	\$1,691.67	Total Fuel Goal in '20 – '21	<b>\$21,339.00</b>

## During the Continuing Pandemic Period

Wearing a mask during Mass is still required unless you have been fully vaccinated, as is maintaining a social distance of six feet between persons who are not from the same household or bubble.

Our Weekend Mass may be viewed any time on [www.stcyrils.org](http://www.stcyrils.org)

### The Legend of the Dogwood Tree

There is a legend told of the Dogwood Tree, perhaps one of the oldest legends of the Christian era, that in the time of Jesus of Nazareth and the crucifixion, the dogwood was the size of mighty oak trees, so strong and firm that it was chosen as the timber for Jesus' cross.

This story is based on a poem, author unknown, yet generations have told and retold The Legend of the Dogwood so that it has persisted thru time. It is not factual for the dogwood tree is not native to the Holy Land and was never mentioned in the Bible. But the story of the dogwood has meant so much to so many through the ages, that generations of repetition have served to keep the story and legend alive to this day. According to legend, to be used for such a purpose as the crucifixion greatly distressed the tree. Nailed upon it, in His compassion Jesus sensed the sadness, sorrow, and suffering of the tree, and in His mercy assured that it would never be used for such purpose again.

— The Legend of the Dogwood —...

“And Jesus said . . .

*“Because of your regret and pity for My suffering, never again shall the dogwood tree grow large enough to be used as a cross . . .*

*Henceforth it shall be slender and bent and twisted, and its blossoms shall be in the form of a cross . . . two long and two short petals . . .*

*And in the center of the outer edge of each petal there will be nail prints, brown with rust and stained with red, and in the center of the flower will be a crown of thorns . . .*

*. . . and all who see it will remember.”*

“The Dogwood Tree and its blossoms are a beautiful symbol and annual reminder not only of nature's gentle beauty, but also with the legend's story and lessons of Mercy, Forgiveness, Compassion, Love, and Peace for us all to take to heart and share.”

(Article based in part from “The Legend of the Dogwood” by JRMilson)

*Judy Pearson*

