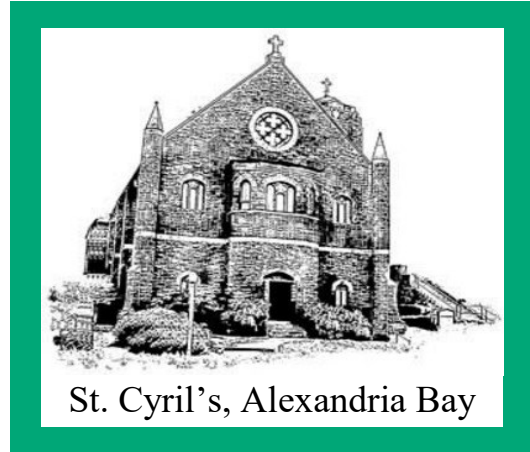
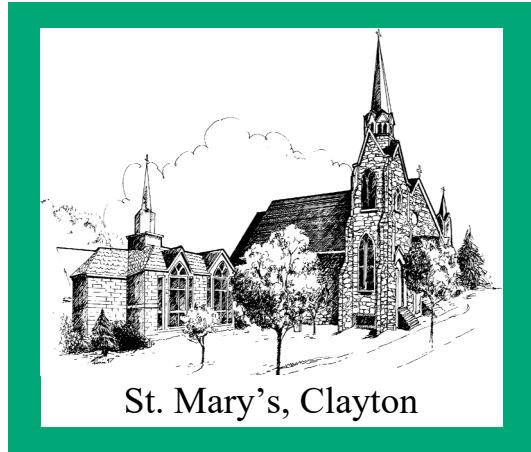


Welcome to St. Mary's Church, Clayton & the Catholic Community of Alexandria, Alexandria Bay



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October 10, 2021

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Weekend Masses

St. Mary's, Clayton
Saturdays at 4:00 p.m.
Sundays at 9:00 a.m.

St. Cyril's, Alexandria Bay
Saturdays at 5:30 p.m.
Sundays at 9:30 a.m.

St. Francis Xavier, Redwood
Sundays at 8:00 a.m.

Weekday & Holy Day Masses

See page 2 or call the Parish Office

Reconciliation

3:00–3:30pm Saturdays at St. Mary's
Saturdays after 5:30pm Mass at St. Cyril's
and by appointment

First Friday Holy Hour

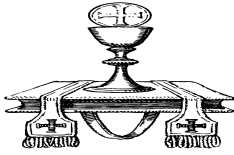
after 9:00 a.m. Mass on the first
Friday of the month at St. Mary's

Prayer Line

315-686-3970 or smsjprayerline@gmail.com

*No matter what your present status in the Catholic Church;
No matter what your current family or marital situation;
No matter what your past or present religious affiliation;
No matter what your own personal history, age, background, race, or color;
No matter what your own self-image or esteem;
You are invited, welcomed, accepted, loved, and respected
at St. Mary's, St. Cyril's, and St. Francis Xavier Catholic Churches.*

MASS SCHEDULE:



SATURDAY, October 9, Anticipated Vigil

4:00 (SM) Ann Dorr by Mike & Deb Rogers
 5:30 (SC) Joanne Novak by Tom & Cheryl Krissel

SUNDAY, October 10, 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 (SFX) All of Our Parishioners
 9:00 (SM) Gisele Rainville by her children
 9:30 (SC) Terry Bresnahan by Cindy Beattie

MONDAY, October 11

8:00 (SC) Liturgy of the Word with Communion
 9:00 (SM) Liturgy of the Word with Communion

TUESDAY, October 12

8:00 (SC) Liturgy of the Word with Communion
 9:00 (SM) People of the Parishes

WEDNESDAY, October 13

8:00 (SC) Liturgy of the Word with Communion
 9:00 (SM) Liturgy of the Word with Communion

THURSDAY, October 14

8:00 (SC) Liturgy of the Word with Communion
 9:00 (SM) Liturgy of the Word with Communion

FRIDAY, October 15

8:00 (SC) Liturgy of the Word with Communion
 9:00 (SM) Louis "Jeff" Stabins by Dc. Neil & Dee Fuller

SATURDAY, October 16, Anticipated Vigil

4:00 (SM) Martha Weaver by the family
 5:30 (SC) Thomas Bradley by Mike & Barb Bresnahan

SUNDAY, October 17, 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 (SM) People of the Parishes
 10:30 (SC) Richard Hof by Bonnie & Gary Grausgruber

October 10, 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Lord Calls: "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" If you ask the Lord this question in prayer, are you ready to respond with a joyful "yes"? Consider following Christ more closely as a priest, deacon, or in consecrated life. Talk to Fr. Art LaBaff, or Fr. Chris Carrara at ccarrara@rcdony.org / 315-393-2920, or Cathy Russell at crussell@rcdony.org / 315-393-2920.

2021 Bishops Fund Appeal

The theme of this year's Bishop's Fund Appeal is "*Family of Faith in Action*". Please prayerfully consider supporting the many good works of the Diocese. Any gifts received after the Appeal reaches its goal will be used to further supplement the Bishop's Good Samaritan Fund which assists families in need in our own community and throughout the Diocese. Your pledge will be gratefully received and sincerely appreciated. Please be as generous as possible. Thank you in advance for your support. Use the response envelope you received in the mail or there are extra envelopes in the church entrances or to make your Bishop's Fund gift online, visit www.rcdony.org and click on the secure "Bishop's Fund Appeal" link.


Weekly Giving

Thank you for your continued support.

<u>Alexandria</u>	This Year	Last Year
Envelopes	\$ 1,685.00	
Plate	1,341.00	
Electronic	115.94	
Total	\$ 3,141.94	\$ 3,603.11
Fuel	\$ 591.00	Fuel Goal
Fuel to Date	\$ 11,789.65	\$19,357.00
Tower Restoration	\$ 697.00	

<u>St. Mary's</u>	This Year	Last Year
Envelopes	\$ 2,389.02	\$ 2,786.00
Plate	\$ 1,156.00	\$ 970.00
Fuel	\$ 549.00	\$ 402.00
<i>September Electronic Giving: \$ 3,093.00</i>		

Please consider electronic giving...a safe and consistent way to support your parish.



*The Sanctuary Lamp at St. Mary's
 is in Loving Memory of
 Grant & Teresa Roden
 by the family*

From the Parish Life Coordinator:

Jesus teaches us that by separating ourselves from our physical belongings, we are freed of the notion that material objects will make us happy, and in doing so, we open ourselves to God and remember to care for those most in need of our love. Jesus' message is not just about stifling our obsession with buying more things; it also indicates a shift in how we should assign value to what we already have.

Deacon Recognition & Appreciation Masses

**Sunday, October 10 at the 9:00am Mass
at St. Mary's Church, Clayton**

**Sunday, October 24 at the 10:30am Mass
at St. Cyril's Church, Alexandria Bay**

All 5 deacons and their wives from both St. Mary's and the Catholic Community of Alexandria will attend as we recognize and thank them for their service to our parishes.

Our parishes are very blessed to have these deacons in our communities. Deacons are servant leaders and provide valuable support to the ministries of our parishes.

Please plan to attend one of these Masses and show your appreciation for our deacons and their wives. A reception will follow after each Mass.

**October is Respect Life Month**

A truly welcoming society must be a culture of Life...We must appreciate the dignity of Life in all its seasons...and look toward the day when every child, born and unborn, is welcome in Life and protected in law.

— George W. Bush

During Respect Life Month, everyone is invited to an hour of prayer across the street from Planned Parenthood, Stone Street, Watertown. We meet at 12:30 every day throughout October, including weekends. Please consider joining us to pray for preborn babies, their mothers, and their fathers as well as those who participate in the abortion industry.

Thank you to our bulletin sponsors! Remember to shop with them first.

Deacon's Corner by Dr. Bernie Slate

This weekend I will reflect, from the book of Jeremiah and the Gospel of John.

Jeremiah makes it clear that God wishes for leaders to be like Shepherds, willing to guard their sheep and provide for their needs. Jeremiah promises peace and security, but he does not guarantee prosperity, for the measure of this ideal society is weighted not on material success, but on right-relationships with one another and with God.

In the Gospel of John, Jesus calls himself the "good shepherd" who was willing to give up his life for his sheep (John 10:11). Shepherds are called to be selfless. The gospel concludes by saying, "When he Jesus, disembarked and saw the vast crowd, his heart was moved with pity for them, for they were like a sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things." Jesus was moved to pity because people were hurrying to get to him and did not even have the time to eat.

Jesus' first action after having pity on the crowd was to teach them. Good and just leaders do not leave their people in the dark, struggling through life because they are plagued by misinformation. Jesus makes it clear that good leaders empower their community with truth and clarity.

Today our world still suffers from the scourge of misinformation. As people of faith, we must make it clear to our leaders that the vulnerable are not a commodity.

Leaders should promote peace and security for all people, enact laws that protect people from violence, racism, predatory loans, mistreatment, manipulation, etc. We should expect our leaders to protect us from the unquenchable greed of those who aim to mislead in order to gain power and wealth.

When we receive the eucharistic feast, let us enter deeper with joyful hearts for our Good Shepherd, Jesus Christ. May we be inspired by his prophetic witness to truth and justice and commit ourselves to bringing the needs of today into our sacred spaces!

Depauville Fire Department Chicken BBQ

Sunday, October 17, begins at noon

- drive thru only -

adult meal \$10; child meal \$6;

half chicken only \$5



Beginning the weekend of October 16 & 17, weekend Masses will be:



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Sundays at 10:30pm

St. Francis Xavier, Redwood

No Masses until next Memorial Day Weekend

Change in Insurance Coverage at St. John's

After much discussion and consultation with Fr. Arthur LaBaff, Canonical Pastor, the Parish Trustees, and the Pastoral Councils, it is our intention to change insurance coverage of the former St. John's Church building and the white building behind the parish center to Modified Property Insurance Coverage. Modified Property Insurance Coverage permits the parish to continue coverage on the structures which will not be reconstructed if either is significantly damaged by fire or other insured peril. Full coverage will remain on the parish center.

If you have any questions or comments about this, please contact the parish office.

Right now, the American Red Cross has an emergency blood shortage. The Red Cross national blood inventory is the lowest it has been at this time of year since 2015, with less than a day's supply of certain blood types in recent weeks. The Red Cross is working around the clock to meet the blood needs of hospitals and patients – but can't do it alone. We need your help! There will be a

Blood Drive
Friday, October 15, noon-4pm
at St. Mary's Parish Center

St. Mary's Music Ministry:

The story of the rich man inquiring how to enter the kingdom of God is a well-known one, and relatable to many. It can be easy to become so focused on the tangible items that make up our everyday lives, that we forget to prioritize our faith. Let us pray to hear the call of the Lord, and to have the courage to answer, "Will you let me be your servant?"

For more info about Music Ministry, contact Corrine Willis at corrinewillis@gmail.com or 315-221-3689.

St. Cyril's Church, Alexandria Bay
Annual Election Night Ham Dinner

Tuesday, November 2

Adults \$10; Children 12 and under \$5

Takeout Only

Curbside Pickup 4-6:30pm

To order and for pick up time, call Sally at 315-482-2724 or Carol at 315-482-5227.

For delivery, call Patty at 315-767-2229.



Religious Ed News

St. Mary's, Clayton

Jenny Barton 315-686-2638

e-mail: religioused@stmarysclayton.org

There are no classes today for K-7. October 17th will be a meeting day for K-3 and Mrs. Warneck's Confirmation class. We are still looking for catechists! If interested contact me!



Let the children come to me.

MATTHEW 19:14

Catholic Community of Alexandria

Trina Henry 315-482-2252

e-mail: thenry2252@gmail.com

The program for grades 1 through 6 will be home-based handouts and a monthly meeting. The first meeting will be Sunday, November 7th after the 10:30 Mass in St. Cyril's Church hall. This meeting will be for me to check on student's progress, answer your questions and, hand out the next month's packet of weekly readers.

St. Cyril's offers coffee and pastries after the 9:30am Sunday Mass all year round. All are encouraged to join fellow worshipers for a few moments of socialization and light refreshments.

