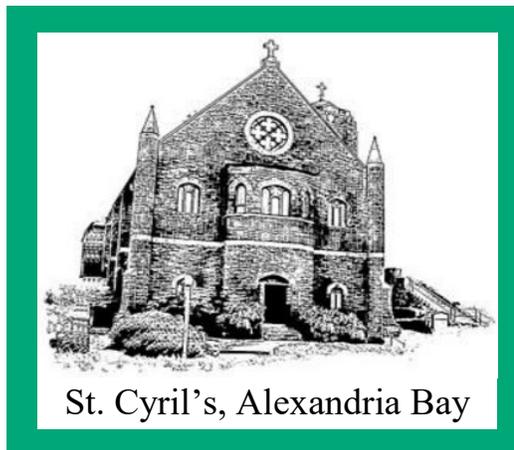
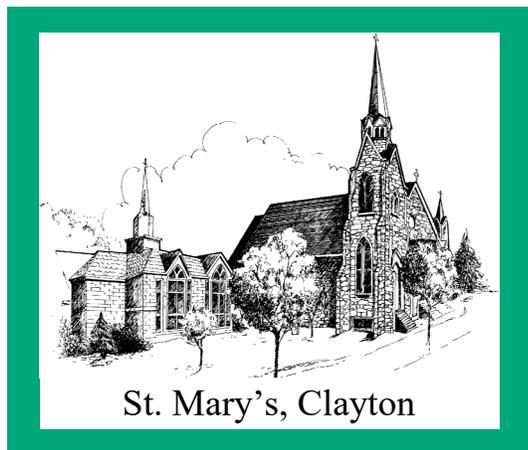


Welcome to St. Mary's Church, Clayton & the Catholic Community of Alexandria, Alexandria Bay



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October 17, 2021

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Weekend Masses

St. Mary's, Clayton

Saturdays at 4:00 p.m.

Sundays at 9:00 a.m.

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Sundays at 10:30 a.m.

St. Francis Xavier, Redwood

Memorial Day - Columbus Day

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 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

MONDAY, October 18

8:00 (SC) Liturgy of the Word with Communion
 9:00 (SM) Ann Dorr by Deacon Bernie Slate

TUESDAY, October 19

8:00 (SC) Liturgy of the Word with Communion
 9:00 (SM) Bob Williams by the Dick Bertrand Senior Golf League

WEDNESDAY, October 20

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

THURSDAY, October 21

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

FRIDAY, October 22

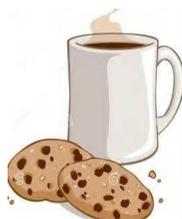
8:00 (SC) Liturgy of the Word with Communion
 9:00 (SM) Tom Lawrence by Judy & family

SATURDAY, October 23, Anticipated Vigil

4:00 (SM) Hans Wahl & Terry O'Sullivan by Kerry Wahl
 5:30 (SC) Craig Blum by Mike & Meg Ringer

SUNDAY, October 24, 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 (SM) People of the Parishes
 10:30 (SC) Brian Yaussi by his mother, Martha O'Donnell



St. Cyril's offers coffee and pastries after the 10:30am Sunday Mass. All are encouraged to join fellow worshipers for a few moments of socialization and light refreshments.

October 17, 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Lord Calls: "Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?" Should the Lord direct these words to you in prayer, how will you respond? As a priest, deacon, or in the 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. 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.

Catholic Community of Alexandria:

Goal: \$14,687.00 108 donors
 Given to Date: \$ 7,221.00 28 donors

St. Mary's:

Goal: \$24,831.00 199 donors
 Given to Date: \$12,996.00 66 donors

Depauville Fire Department Chicken BBQ

Sunday, October 17, begins at noon
 - drive thru only -
 adult meal \$10; child meal \$6; half chicken only \$5

Weekly Giving

Thank you for your continued support.

Catholic Community of Alexandria

Giving information will appear in a future bulletin.

St. Mary's	This Year	Last Year
Envelopes	\$ 3,146.10	\$ 1,643.00
Plate	\$ 1,053.00	\$ 936.00
Fuel	\$ 155.00	\$ 45.00

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

Sign up at www.stmarysclayton.org or www.stcyrils.org or contact the parish office.

From the Parish Life Coordinator:

Inserted in the bulletin this week you will find the Parish Financial Statement. It is reviewed by both the Parish Finance Council and Parish Pastoral Council, and also submitted to the Diocese. If you have any questions or comments, please contact me at 315-686-3398.

Deacon Recognition & Appreciation Mass

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

All 5 deacon 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.

All are encouraged to attend this Mass and show your appreciation for our deacons and their wives. A light reception will follow after the Mass.



October is Respect Life Month

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.

Also during the month of October, some 1500 pro-life groups across the United States and Canada will be participating in a Life-Chain. Liferight of Watertown will sponsor a chain on Saturday, October 23 on Public Square in Watertown at 1:30pm. Pro-life signs will be provided for participants who will stand along the periphery of the square holding them. We encourage all people from the area to join us in this witness to the sanctity of all human life, born and unborn. For further information, call BetiAnn at 315-782-3616.

From the Bishop:

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

World Mission Sunday – the annual, worldwide Eucharistic celebration for the Missions of the Church – will be on **October 24** this year. This important day in the life of the Church Universal fortifies our understanding of our shared call to mission, bestowed upon us at Baptism.

Pope Francis' message for World Mission Sunday reflects on the theme: **"We cannot but speak about what we have seen and heard"** (Acts 4:20). The Holy Father shares his zeal, reminding us that, "as Christians, we cannot keep the Lord to ourselves," as we "recall with gratitude all those men and women who by their testimony of life help us to renew our baptismal commitment to be generous and joyful apostles of the Gospel." He invites us to speak of our faith!

World Mission Sunday provides us with that very opportunity. We can speak about our faith and respond to our missionary call – *through prayer, participation in the Eucharist, and giving generously* to the collection for the **Society for the Propagation of the Faith**. Your gifts support and sustain priests, religious, and lay pastoral leaders in more than 1,100 mission dioceses in Asia, Africa, the Pacific Islands, and parts of Latin America and Europe as they proclaim the Gospel, build the Church, serve the poor – and speak of our shared faith in all corners of the world.

"The global pandemic has brought to the fore and amplified the pain, the solitude, the poverty, and the injustices experienced by so many people," reminds Pope Francis. This year, as the world recovers from the loss and the challenges that resulted, let us respond with generous hearts.

Thank you for helping us to reach out in solidarity and support for the Mission Church, and the work and witness of missionaries.

In this spirit, I offer my personal gratitude for your kind missionary heart, reaching out in love throughout Mission Month and beyond.

Faithfully yours in Christ,
Most Reverend Terry R. LaValley
Bishop of Ogdensburg

Did You Know... *by Judy Pearson*

October: Month of the Rosary

The month of October is dedicated to the Holy Rosary. According to an account by 15th century Dominican, Blessed Alan de la Roch, Mary appeared to St. Dominic de Guzman in 1214 after he had been praying and doing severe penances. This came to Blessed de la Roch in a dream and the legend continued to spread more for than 250 years after Dominic died. It should be noted that neither St. Dominic nor his order ever made this claim. The legend continued that St. Dominic was upset because of his lack of success in combating the Albigensian heresy. Mary, however, praised St. Dominic for his efforts and gave him the Rosary, explaining its uses and efficacy and telling him to preach it to others.

The power of the Rosary has been seen throughout history. On the first Sunday of October 1571, St. Pius V attributed the defeat of the Turkish fleet to the Rosary and ordered a commemoration of the Rosary on that day. Two years later, Gregory XIII allowed churches who had an altar dedicated to the Rosary to hold a celebration to the Rosary and in 1671, Clement X extended the feast to all of Spain and Clement XI, after another Turkish victory, extended the feast to the whole Church.

The Rosary is "Christocentric", setting forth the entire life of Jesus...the passion, death, resurrection and glory. And it honors Mary, because her life is most closely linked with the mysteries of Jesus Christ. Until about the 15th century, hundreds of mysteries were part of the Rosary devotion, later becoming the 15 mysteries that we know today. Pope John Paul II added the Luminous Mysteries in 2002.

Pope Benedict XVI has said "It is as if every year Our Lady invites us to rediscover the beauty of this prayer, so simple and profound."

Praying the Rosary has the potential to transform lives and October is a good time to re-evaluate the place the Rosary has in our lives.

St. Mary's Music Ministry:

"For the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many". This excerpt from the Gospel summarizes very well the act of service. Remembering to serve as God asks us to serve and being willing to be an instrument of the Lord is not as easy as merely serving in the ways which we are comfortable. Servant Song teaches us to begin our acts of service by asking a simple question, "What do you want of me, Lord?"

St. Mary's choir will begin rehearsing for the Advent and Christmas season at 10am each Sunday, beginning on October 31. We look forward to making beautiful music together to share with the congregation. For more info about Music Ministry, contact Corrine Willis at corrinefwillis@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

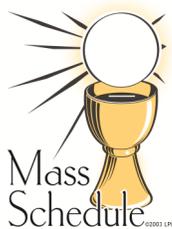
Curbside Pickup 4-6:30pm

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.



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No Masses until next Memorial Day Weekend

Religious Ed News

St. Mary's, Clayton

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K-3 classes meet today. 4-7 grades will meet
next week, October 24.

Catholic Community of Alexandria

Trina Henry 315-482-2252

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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 to review student progress, answer your
questions, and hand out the next month's ma-
terials.