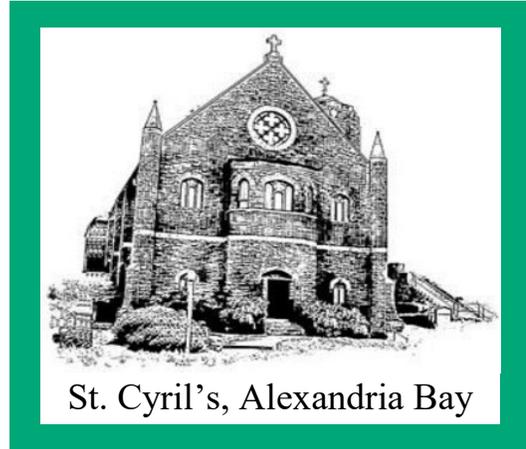
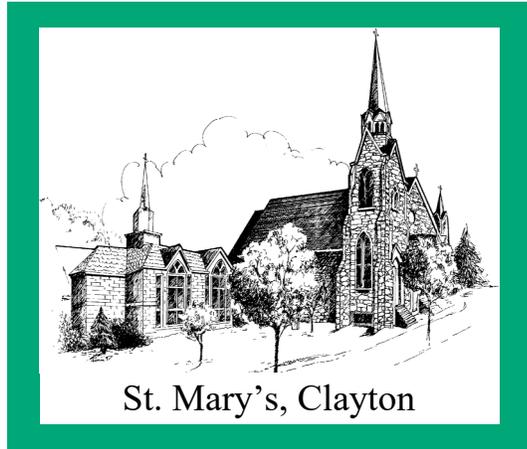


# *Welcome to St. Mary's Church, Clayton & the Catholic Community of Alexandria, Alexandria Bay*



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### **Buildings/Grounds & Cemeteries**

Call the Parish Office 315-686-3398

### **Websites:**

[www.stmarysclayton.org](http://www.stmarysclayton.org)

[www.stcyrils.org](http://www.stcyrils.org)

**October 31, 2021**

**31st 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 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**

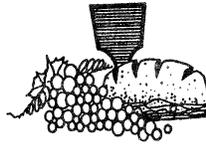
after 9:00 a.m. Mass on the first  
Friday of the month at St. Mary's

### **Prayer Line**

315-686-3970 or [smsjprayerline@gmail.com](mailto: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 30, Anticipated Vigil**

4:00 (SM) Chris & Bill Ierlan by Barb & family  
 5:30 (SC) William Northop by Dc. Bernie Slate

**SUNDAY, October 31, 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9:00 (SM) People of the Parishes  
 10:30 (SC) Allen & Pauline Tidd by Rod, Lisa, Cristofer, and Dominic Tidd

**MONDAY, November 1**

9:00 (SM) All Souls  
 5:15 (SC) Mary Ringer by Dc. Bernie Slate

**TUESDAY, November 2**

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

**WEDNESDAY, November 3**

8:00 (SC) Larry Benton by Mike & Barb Bresnahan  
 9:00 (SM) Liturgy of the Word with Communion

**THURSDAY, November 4**

8:00 (SC) Mr. & Mrs. Donald Watson by the Estate of Emma George  
 9:00 (SM) Liturgy of the Word with Communion

**FRIDAY, November 5**

8:00 (SC) Faithful Departed  
 9:00 (SM) Anna Haraczka by Louise & grandchildren

**SATURDAY, November 6, Anticipated Vigil**

4:00 (SM) People of the Parishes  
 5:30 (SC) Tom Bradley by John & Melinda Comstock

**SUNDAY, November 7, 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9:00 (SM) Scott Fiorentino by Margie, Meredith, & Nick  
 10:30 (SC) Deceased Members of the Sudkamp & Ritner families by Gail & Jo-Ann

**All Saints Day Masses**

Monday, November 1 is All Saints Day.

**9:00am at St. Mary's, Clayton**  
**5:15pm at St. Cyril's, Alexandria Bay**  
 (no 8:00am Mass at St. Cyril's this day)

**October 31, 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**The Lord Calls:** In the reign of God love is essential. Loving God, self, and neighbor is the basis of all Christian vocations. How do/will you choose to love? What is your vocation? 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.

**The Department of Faith Formation** presents "The Liturgy of the Word: Jesus Present and How to Share It: A Continuation of The Mystery of the Holy Eucharist" at the Lobster House, Norwood on Saturday, November 6 from 9:30am to noon. The presenter is Jamie Burns, a teacher from Trinity Catholic School in Massena. Stay for lunch (at your own expense) and for the opportunity to socialize. Cost to attend the presentation is \$10 via PayPal or bill parish upon registration at www.rcdony.org/liturgyword

**The Bishop's Fund:** Our parishes are at about 75% of their goals. Your gift along with the gifts of fellow parishioners can help us reach our goals and supports the many ministries aided by the Bishop's Fund. Please give today. Thank you for your generosity.

**Weekly Giving**

*Thank you for your continued support.*

<u>Alexandria</u>	This Year	Last Year
Envelopes	\$ 1,029.00	
Plate	480.00	
Electronic	115.42	
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 1,624.42</b>	<b>\$ 2,351.42</b>
Fuel	\$ 10.00	Fuel Goal
<b>Fuel to Date</b>	<b>\$ 14,815.65</b>	<b>\$19,357.00</b>
Tower Restoration	\$ 15.00	

<u>St. Mary's</u>	This Year	Last Year
Envelopes	\$ 1,789.24	\$ 1,792.00
Plate	\$ 452.00	\$ 453.00
Fuel	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00

Please consider electronic giving...a safe and consistent way to support your parish. Sign up at [www.stmarysclayton.org](http://www.stmarysclayton.org) or [www.stcyrils.org](http://www.stcyrils.org) or contact the parish office.

**From the Parish Life Coordinator:**

The heart is at the center of our spiritual life, or inner being; the soul refers to one's emotions and desires; and strength is understood as one's power or ability to take action. Adding the mind means adding one's understanding and intelligence to the equation. Every facet of what leads to our human activities, then, is involved and we are called upon to love God with our heart, soul, mind, and strength.

**You ask** how the bread becomes the Body of Christ, and the wine...the Blood of Christ. I shall tell you: the Holy Spirit comes upon them and accomplishes what surpasses every word and thought... Let it be enough for you to understand that it is by the Holy Spirit, just as it was of the Holy Virgin and by the Holy Spirit that the Lord, through and in himself, took flesh.



- St. John Damascene

**World Youth Day 2023:** Young Adults, are you interested? World Youth Day is a worldwide encounter of Young Adults with the Holy Father that occurs approximately every three years. The next World Youth Day will be in Lisbon, Portugal from August 1-6, 2023. It is an amazing experience of the universality of the Church with thousands of young adults from around the world. If you are interested in attending World Youth Day in 2023 and will be 18 or older by late July 2023, contact Mari-ka Donders at [mdonders@rcdony.org](mailto:mdonders@rcdony.org). Additional details will be released to interested parties as we get closer to the event.

**"Christians have a duty** to be politically active, to register and vote, to lobby and educate candidates and elected officials, and to speak up about the issues that affect the common good. The Church does not set up the voting booths, but when we go into the voting booths, we don't cease to be members of the Church! If we don't shape public policy according to moral truths, why do we believe that moral truth at all?"

*Fr. Frank Pavone, Director, Priests for Life*

**Did You Know...**

*by Judy Pearson*

**Popes' Quotes on the Holy Rosary**

Many Popes have expressed their love of the Holy Rosary throughout the years. Here is what a few have said:

"If our age in its pride laughs at and rejects Our Lady's Rosary, a countless legion of the most saintly men of every age and of every condition have not only held it most dear and have most piously recited it but have also used it at all times as a most powerful weapon to overcome the devil, to preserve the purity of their lives, to acquire virtue more zealously, in a word, to promote peace among men." -Pope Pius XI

"The Rosary is the most beautiful and the most rich in graces of all prayers; it is the prayer that touches most the Heart of the Mother of God...and if you wish peace to reign in your homes, recite the family Rosary." - Pope Pius X

"If there were one million families praying the Rosary every day, the entire world would be saved." -Pope Pius X

"Among all the devotions approved by the Church none has been favored by so many miracles as the devotion of the most Holy Rosary." -Pope Pius IX

"The rosary is the scourge of the devil" - Pope Adrian VI

"The rosary is a treasure of graces" -Pope Paul V

"There is no surer means of calling down God's blessing upon the family than the daily recitation of the Rosary." -Pope Pius XII

"We put great confidence in the Holy Rosary for the healing of evils which afflict our times." -Pope Pius XII

"The Rosary is a school for learning true Christian perfection." -Pope John XXIII

"The Rosary is a prayer both so humble and simple and theologically rich in Biblical content. I beg you to pray it." --Blessed Pope John Paul II

"How beautiful is the family that recites the Rosary every evening!" --Blessed Pope John Paul II

And from the Blessed Virgin Mary herself at Fatima: "Say the Rosary every day to obtain peace for the world."

**All Saints Day**, Monday, November 1st, a holy day honoring all saints, known and unknown. We celebrate the saints, ask for their prayers and intercessions, honor them for their service to God and others, and look to them as examples of how to live our lives. Because this year All Saints Day is Monday, it is suspended as a holy day of obligation in the USA.

**All Souls Day**, Tuesday, November 2, commemorates those who have died and now are being cleansed of their sins and atoning before entering fully into Heaven. On All Souls Day, we not only remember the dead, but we apply our efforts, through prayer and the Mass, to their release from Purgatory. You can record the names of your deceased loved ones on an envelope, enclose an offering and place in the collection. Masses are then celebrated for all our faithful departed and are listed as "All Souls". Some Masses are celebrated here in our parishes and some by our retired priests.

### **Music Ministry Notes:**



#### **St. Mary's, Clayton**

In today's gospel, we hear Jesus describe the greatest commandment to the scribe. The Latin text "*Ubi caritas et amor, Deus ibi est*", or in English, "*Where charity and love are, God is there*" helps to remind us of our call to love God, and to love one another.

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](mailto:corrinefwillis@gmail.com) or 315-221-3689.

#### **St. Cyril's, Alexandria Bay**

The St. Cyril's Choir is singing together again, and we love to welcome new people! The Choir gathers in the loft at St. Cyril's at 9:45 for practice before 10:30 Mass. We also will be creating a Children's Choir in addition to our Adult Choir for the Christmas Holidays. For questions, contact Becky Rose at 315-778-8419 or [becky.a.rose@gmail.com](mailto:becky.a.rose@gmail.com).

**2022 Vocation Calendars** are available at the entrances of the churches and the parish office. These calendars are thoughtfully provided to you by Cummings Funeral Services. Be sure to take one for your use or for a friend or relative. A special thank you to the Cummings family for providing these calendars.

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.



**Prayer for All Souls**

Merciful Father, hear our prayer and console us. As we renew our faith in You Son, whom You raised from the dead, strengthen our hope that all our departed brothers and sisters will share in His resurrection, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen



**Religious Ed News**

**St. Mary's, Clayton**

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Saturday November 6th is a meeting for our First Reconciliation students. Sunday, November 7th is our next RE class day for grades K - 3, and Confirmation grades 8 and 9.

**Catholic Community of Alexandria**

Trina Henry 315-482-2252

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Grades 1 through 6 will meet Sunday, November 7th after 10:30 Mass in St. Cyril's Church hall to review student progress, answer your questions, and hand out the next month's materials.

Parents of 7th graders and Confirmation students are asked to please contact Deacon Neil Fuller at 315-405-6910 about the upcoming program.