

 <p>St. Cyril of Alexandria 28 Walton St. Alexandria Bay, NY</p> <hr/> <p>Saturday 5:00 p.m. Sunday 7:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.</p>	<p>The Catholic Community of Alexandria 17 Rock St. Alexandria Bay, NY 13607 315-482-2670</p> <p>pastor@stcyrils.org www.stcyrils.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 August 26, 2018

Saturday, August 25, 2018 *The Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time*

5:00 p.m. Louis V. Amato by Dick Company

Sunday, August 26, 2018

7:00 a.m. Thomas Gehrig by the Healy Family
8:30 a.m. (SFX) Rose Weldon by John & Marianne Weldon
10:00 a.m. Donald Kavanaugh by his Daughter, Patty Bousquet

Monday, August 27, 2018

8:00 a.m. The Needs of our Parishioners

Tuesday, August 28, 2018

8:00 a.m. The Intentions of Sr. Maureen Sweeney, SSJ

Wednesday, August 29, 2018

8:00 a.m. Jacob Valdez by Kathleen & Henry Derr

Thursday, August 30, 2018

8:00 a.m. Mr. and Mrs. Earl Griffin by the Estate of Marie Clickner

Friday, August 31, 2018

8:00 a.m. *Liturgy of the Word with Communion*

Saturday, Sept. 1, 2019 *The Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time*

5:00 p.m. Chet Banek by Shirley Irwin

Sunday, Sept. 2, 2018

7:00 a.m. Shirley and Tracy Ashley by the Ashley Family
8:30 a.m. (SFX) The Intentions of Billy Gray by John and Marianne Weldon
10:00 a.m. Mike Elliott by David Kavanaugh & Family

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 3:45 – 4:30 p.m. at St. Cyril of Alexandria Church

Our Stewardship
August 18 - 19, 2018

Envelopes	\$3,390.00		
Plate	\$1,664.00		
Youth			
Electronic Giving	\$312.41	Fuel Collection	\$1,368.00
Total	\$5,366.41	Total Fuel Contribution to Date	7,637.00
Last Year	\$5,860.00	Total Fuel Cost Last Fiscal Year	\$20,210.43

Join us as St. Cyril's Church of Alexandria Bay proudly presents Our 10th Annual Free Summer Concert, Raising a Joyful Noise for 10 years!! This Sunday August 26th, 4:00 p.m. at St. Cyril's Church, Rock Street, Alex Bay. Enjoy the world traveled St. Cyril's Choir, under the direction of Rebecca Rose, as they present their 10th annual free summer concert on Sunday August 26th at 4:00 p.m.. The concert is performed at St. Cyril's Church in Alex Bay. The choir will be performing a program of their favorite songs from the past 10 years of concerts. In this world of ours today, we are excited to present this inspirational program of joy, peace, and love.

"If one member suffers, all suffer together with it" (1 Cor 12:26). These words of Saint Paul forcefully echo in my heart as I acknowledge once more the suffering endured by many minors due to sexual abuse, the abuse of power and the abuse of conscience perpetrated by a significant number of clerics and consecrated persons. Crimes that inflict deep wounds of pain and powerlessness, primarily among the victims, but also in their family members and in the larger community of believers and nonbelievers alike. Looking back to the past, no effort to beg pardon and to seek to repair the harm done will ever be sufficient. Looking ahead to the future, no effort must be spared to create a culture able to prevent such situations from happening, but also to prevent the possibility of their being covered up and perpetuated. The pain of the victims and their families is also our pain, and so it is urgent that we once more reaffirm our commitment to ensure the protection of minors and of vulnerable adults....

In recent days, a report was made public which detailed the experiences of at least a thousand survivors, victims of sexual abuse, the abuse of power and of conscience at the hands of priests over a period of approximately seventy years. Even though it can be said that most of these cases belong to the past, nonetheless as time goes on we have come to know the pain of many of the victims. We have realized that these wounds never disappear and that they require us forcefully to condemn these atrocities and join forces in uprooting this culture of death; these wounds never go away. The heart-wrenching pain of these victims, which cries out to heaven, was long ignored, kept quiet or silenced. But their outcry was more powerful than all the measures meant to silence it, or sought even to resolve it by decisions that increased its gravity by falling into complicity. The Lord heard that cry and once again showed us on which side He stands. Mary's song is not mistaken and continues quietly to echo throughout history. For the Lord remembers the promise He made to our fathers: "He has scattered the proud in their conceit; He has cast down the mighty from their thrones and lifted up the lowly; He has filled the hungry with good things, and the rich He has sent away empty" (Lk 1:51-53). We feel shame when we realize that our style of life has denied, and continues to deny, the words we recite....

With shame and repentance, we acknowledge as an ecclesial community that we were not where we should have been, that we did not act in a timely manner, realizing the magnitude and the gravity of the damage done to so many lives. We showed no care for the little ones; we abandoned them....

I am conscious of the effort and work being carried out in various parts of the world to come up with the necessary means to ensure the safety and protection of the integrity of children and of vulnerable adults, as well as implementing zero tolerance and ways of making all those who perpetrate or cover up these crimes accountable. We have delayed in applying these actions and sanctions that are so necessary, yet I am confident that they will help to guarantee a greater culture of care in the present and future....

It is essential that we, as a Church, be able to acknowledge and condemn, with sorrow and shame, the atrocities perpetrated by consecrated persons, clerics, and all those entrusted with the mission of watching over and caring for those most vulnerable. Let us beg forgiveness for our own sins and the sins of others. An awareness of sin helps us to acknowledge the errors, the crimes and the wounds caused in the past and allows us, in the present, to be more open and committed along a journey of renewed conversion....

"If one member suffers, all suffer together with it", said Saint Paul. By an attitude of prayer and penance, we will become attuned as individuals and as a community to this exhortation, so that we may grow in the gift of compassion, in justice, prevention and reparation. Mary chose to stand at the foot of her Son's cross. She did so unhesitatingly, standing firmly by Jesus' side. In this way, she reveals the way she lived her entire life. When we experience the desolation caused by these ecclesial wounds, we will do well, with Mary, "to insist more upon prayer", seeking to grow all the more in love and fidelity to the Church (SAINT IGNATIUS OF LOYOLA, *Spiritual Exercises*, 319). She, the first of the disciples, teaches all of us as disciples how we are to halt before the sufferings of the innocent, without excuses or cowardice. To look to Mary is to discover the model of a true follower of Christ.

May the Holy Spirit grant us the grace of conversion and the interior anointing needed to express before these crimes of abuse our compunction and our resolve courageously to combat them.