
 <p>St. Cyril of Alexandria 28 Walton St. Alexandria Bay, NY</p> <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@stcyriils.org www.stcyriils.org</p> <p>Rev. Douglas G. Comstock, Pastor Bernard Slate, Deacon Joel Walentuk, Deacon</p>	 <p>St. Francis Xavier 43596 State Route 37 Redwood, NY</p> <hr/> <p>Sunday 8:30 a.m.</p>
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Liturgy Schedule for Week of August 6, 2017

Saturday, Aug. 5, 2017	Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:00 p.m.	Katherine Welsh by Richard & Eugenia Kavanaugh
Sunday, Aug. 6, 2017	
7:00 a.m.	Marie Tousant by Joe & Cathy Cullen
8:30 a.m. (SFX)	William & Catherine McBride by her Family
10:00 a.m.	Alice Cheney by Mike & Barbara Bresnahan
Monday, Aug. 7, 2017	
8:00 a.m.	The Intentions of Dawn Walentuk by Joel & Matthew
Tuesday, Aug. 8, 2017	
8:00 a.m.	The Needs of our Parishioners
Wednesday, Aug. 9,, 2017	
8:00 a.m.	Sheila Denn Beaton by Bud & Marguerite
Thursday, Aug. 10, 2017	
8:00 a.m.	<i>Liturgy of the Word with Communion</i>
Friday, Aug. 11 2017	
8:00 a.m.	<i>Liturgy of the Word with Communion</i>
Saturday, Aug. 12, 2017	Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:00 p.m.	Patricia A. Ross by Nik & Judy Barbrie
Sunday, Aug. 13, 2017	
7:00 a.m.	Our Parishioners
8:30 a.m. (SFX)	The Intentions of Gene & Mary Kleinhans by Deacon Bernie Slate
10:00 a.m.	Richard Voelkl by Deacon Bernie Slate

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday

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

Our Stewardship

July 29 - 30, 2017

Envelopes	\$2,343.00	Missionary Co-Operative	\$2,777.00
Plate	\$2,423.50	Air Conditioning	\$20.50
Youth		St. Cyril Hall Renovation	\$360.00
Electronic Giving	\$119.00	Fuel Collection	\$240.00
Total	\$4,885.00	Total Fuel Contrib.to Date	\$3,667.00
Last Year	\$4,475.75	Total Fuel Goal in '17-'18	\$20,367.00

With Grateful Hearts

Work is progressing well in St. Cyril's Parish Hall: the floor adjacent to and in the kitchen has been painted and we are waiting for the carpet installation on the left side of the hall in the middle of the month. After that, the room dividers and new chairs will be delivered. To date twenty-six families have donated \$3,155.00. We are indeed grateful.

Dedication of St. Mary Major

August 5 we celebrate the dedication of one of the four most illustrious churches of Rome, St. Mary Major, the largest church in the world honoring God through Mary. It stands on top of one of Rome's seven hills, the Esquiline.

St. Mary Major is one of the four Roman basilicas known as patriarchal cathedrals in memory of the first centers of the Church. The other three are St. John Lateran, representing Rome, the See of Peter; St. Paul Outside the Walls, the See of Alexandria, allegedly the see presided over by Mark; St. Peter's, the See of Constantinople; and St. Mary's, the See of Antioch, where Mary is supposed to have spent most of her life. While each diocese and parish keeps its own dedication anniversary, the Church universal commemorates the consecration of these four great Roman basilicas to link all Christians with the Holy See.

The feast commemorates the miracle of the snowfall in August 358 AD on the site where the basilica now stands. According to Tradition, Mary appeared in a dream to two Roman Christians, the patrician John and his wife and Pope Liberius, asking that a church be built in her honor where snow would fall on the night of August 4-5. Pope Liberius traced the outlines of the church in the snow and the first basilica was built on that site. It was completed by Pope Sixtus III after the Council of Ephesus in 431, during which Mary was declared to be the Mother of God.

There is another legend that tells a similar story about summer snow, which gave this feast another name: Our Lady of the Snows. According to this story, a wealthy Roman couple pledges their fortune to the Mother of God. In affirmation, she produced a summer snowfall and asked them to build a church on the site.

Every year on August 5, a shower of white rose petals is released from the basilica's dome simulating the snow.

The basilica is home to 1600 years of some of the most exquisite art ever created, beginning with an icon of Mary—said to be painted by St. Luke—known as “Salus Populi Romani” (the salvation [or the “health”] of the Roman people). On the morning after his election, Pope Francis went to St. Mary Major to pray before this icon of the Madonna. It is also the site of many miracles and events of great significance in the life of the Church. For example, St. Ignatius Loyola celebrated his first Mass in St. Mary Major one Christmas night. On another Christmas Eve, the Blessed Mother placed the Infant Jesus into the arms of St. Cajetan of Thiene.. *Judy Pearson*



Solidarity in Faith

Don't forget to pray for Christians in the Middle East, especially in our twinned diocese of Latakia in Syria, that they may be granted courage, hope, and perseverance as they bear heroic witness to their faith in this time of persecution.