
 <p>St. Cyril of Alexandria 28 Walton St. Alexandria Bay, NY</p> <hr/> <p>Saturday 5:00 p.m. Sunday 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 43596 State Route 37 Redwood, NY</p> <hr/> <p>Sunday 8:30 a.m.</p>
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Liturgy Schedule for Week of January 7, 2018

Saturday, Jan. 6, 2018	<i>The Epiphany of the Lord</i>
5:00 p.m.	Wendy Nelson by the Rose Family
Sunday, Jan. 7, 2018	
8:30 a.m. (SFX)	Jayne and Maurice Simpson by the Estate of Marie Clickner
10:00 a.m.	Cecilia Tidd by Linda Reynolds & Family
Monday, Jan. 8, 2018	
8:00 a.m.	Our Parishioners
Tuesday, Jan. 9, 2018	
8:00 a.m.	The Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day)
Wednesday, Jan. 10, 2018	
8:00 a.m.	Eileen Linehan by Gary & Bonnie Grausgruber
Thursday, Jan. 11, 2018	
8:00 a.m.	<i>Liturgy of the Word with Communion</i>
Friday, Jan. 12, 2018	
8:00 a.m.	Special Intention by a Parishioner
Saturday, Jan. 13, 2018	Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:00 p.m.	William Hermann by Deacon Bernie Slate
Sunday, Jan. 14, 2018	
8:30 a.m. (SFX)	Betty Hayduke by her daughter, Irene Tibbles
10:00 a.m.	The Intentions of Luca Michael Beattie by Grandpa & Grandma Ringer

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 3:45 – 4:30 p.m. at St. Cyril of Alexandria Church
Sunday 8:00—8:15 a.m. at St. Francis Xavier Church

Our Stewardship

December 30 - 31, 2017

Envelopes	\$830.00	Diocesan Priests' Retirement	\$85.00
Plate	\$206.00	Donation	\$5,000.00
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Electronic Giving	\$1,091.57	Fuel Collection	\$20.00
Total	\$2,127.57	Total Fuel Contrib.to Date	\$13,711.00
Last Year	\$2,936.00	Total Fuel Goal in '17-'18	\$20,367.00

Christmas Collection

Thank you for your generous gift in our Christmas collection. Like every North Country parish we forward 75% of the collection to the diocese to fund pensions for retired priests. Pension needs for the future as well as obligations for the next year are being met thanks to your generous donation.

Calendars and Envelopes for the New Year

Calendars and Envelope Sets for the New Year may be picked up in the Our Lady's Chapel at St. Cyril's Church and in St. Francis Xavier Church.

The Feast of the Baptism of the Lord

Tomorrow we celebrate the Baptism of the Lord. Traditionally, it was celebrated on January 13, the octave day of the Feast of the Epiphany. In the current liturgical calendar, the Baptism of the Lord is celebrated on the Sunday after Jan. 6.

However, in countries like the United States, where the celebration of Epiphany is transferred to Sunday, sometimes the two feasts will fall on the same day. When that occurs, the Baptism of the Lord is transferred to the following day, Monday.

“The Church recalls Our Lord's second manifestation or epiphany which occurred on the occasion of His baptism in the Jordan. Jesus descended into the River to sanctify its waters and to give them the power to beget sons of God. The event takes on the importance of a second creation in which the entire Trinity intervenes.”

The baptism of John was a kind of sacramental preparatory for the baptism of the Lord. Men were moved and encouraged to confess their sins. Christ, however, who was without sin, did not need the baptism of John. He appeared in the flesh like us, but was sinless and impeccable.

“Many of the incidents which accompanied Christ's baptism are symbolical of what happened at our Baptism. At Christ's baptism the Holy Spirit descended upon Him; at our Baptism the Trinity took its abode in our soul. At His baptism Christ was proclaimed the ‘Beloved Son’ of the Father; at our Baptism we become the adopted sons of God. At Christ's baptism the heavens were opened; at our Baptism heaven was opened to us. At His baptism Jesus prayed; after our Baptism we must pray to avoid actual sin.” [From a book by Msgr. Rudolph G. Bandas, Catholic author]

Judy Pearson

Scripture Study

The next Scripture Study Program continues in St. Mary's Parish Center this Wednesday, January 10th at 7:00 p.m.

2017 SPIRITUAL REPORT

January 1, 2017 – December 31, 2017

The Catholic Community of Alexandria

Baptisms	9
First Communions	6
Confirmations	9
Marriages	4
Deaths	12

<u>Catholics</u>	<u>Practicing</u>	<u>Non-Practicing</u>	<u>Total</u>
Individuals	597	92	689
Households	275	44	319