
 <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    <a href="http://www.stcyrils.org">www.stcyrils.org</a></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 March 11, 2018**

<b>Saturday, March 10, 2018</b> 5:00 p.m.	<b>Fourth Sunday of Lent</b> Anthony C. Folino by Tony & Kathy Folino
<b>Sunday, March 11, 2018</b> 8:30 a.m. (SFX) 10:00 a.m.	All of our Parishioners Pauline Tidd by Cynthia & Robert Nelson & Family
<b>Monday, March 12, 2018</b> 7:00 p.m.	The Intentions of Bella Marie Hardy by Grandpa & Grandma Ringer
<b>Tuesday, March 13, 2018</b> 7:00 p.m.	Hannah Chaltain by John & Melinda Comstock
<b>Wednesday, March 14, 2018</b> 7:00 p.m.	The Needs of our Parishioners
<b>Thursday, March 15, 2018</b> 5:15 p.m.	Mr. & Mrs. Harrison George by the Estate of Emma George followed by Soup & Stations in SFX
<b>Friday, March 16, 2018</b> 8:00 a.m.	The Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day)
<b>Saturday, March 17, 2018</b> 5:00 p.m.	<b>Fifth Sunday of Lent</b> Frank Cavallario by Shirley Irwin
<b>Sunday, March 18, 2018</b> 8:30 a.m. (SFX) 10:00 a.m.	Betty Hayduke by Mike & Meg Ringer Rosie Tricase by Shelly Tooley Bruce

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**

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

*Our Parish Mission*

*We are beginning our Lenten Parish Mission on this weekend and will continue through Wednesday, March 14<sup>th</sup>. Join me in welcoming Deacon Tom Killian from Ogdensburg, retired Chaplain at Gouverneur and Ogdensburg Correctional Facilities and currently Deacon at the Catholic Community of Morristown, Hammond and Rossie will guide us.*

**Our Stewardship**

March 3 - 4, 2018

Envelopes	\$1,591.00	North Country Catholic Subscriptions	\$178.00
Plate	\$202.00		
Youth	\$0.00		
Electronic Giving	\$282.19	Fuel Collection	\$100.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,075.19</b>	Total Fuel Contrib.to Date	<b>\$14,780.00</b>
Last Year	\$2,038.00	Total Fuel Goal in '17-'18	\$20,367.00

## **Our Diocesan Newspaper *The North Country Catholic***

We are continuing the *North Country Catholic* subscription campaign. If you have not yet subscribed to our diocesan newspaper I would ask you to do so today. Bishop LaValley has asked that the diocesan newspaper be welcomed in every Catholic home in the diocese as a source of information, evangelization and unity. Please place your subscription envelope in the collection basket or mail a check for \$27 to the North Country Catholic, PO Box 106, Canajoharie, NY, 13317. Patron subscriptions – for \$35, \$50, \$100 or \$250 - are also encouraged to allow the newspaper to maintain affordable subscription rates for all. ANOTHER OPTION – “go green” and receive your NCC through email. If interested, write your email address on the envelope

### **St. Patrick, Apostle to Ireland**

This week...on Saturday, March 17...we celebrate the Patron Saint of our church (Watertown's St. Patrick Church). St. Patrick is remembered for his role in strengthening Christianity in Ireland. But his first introduction to Ireland was involuntary when, at the age of 16, he was kidnapped from his home in Roman Britain and taken to Ireland as a slave. Patrick spent 6 years in menial occupations, mainly working as a herdsman. It was during these years of slavery and solitude that Patrick pledged his life to God.

Patrick remained strong in his Christian faith, praying he would someday return to his homeland. He finally found his opportunity to escape when he heard a voice in his dream telling him that his ship was ready. He traveled 3 days by ship and 28 more days by land before reaching his home. After studying for the priesthood in Gaul, he had another dream in which voices of those who had kidnapped him cried out for him to return to Ireland. Thus, in 432, now a bishop, Patrick returned to Ireland.

Sometime near the end of his life, Saint Patrick wrote in Latin two letters that contain almost all the factual information that exists about his life. In his “*Letter to the Soldiers of Coroticus*,” Saint Patrick excommunicates a British king named Coroticus who had killed Christian converts in Ireland and had taken other Christians from Ireland into slavery in England. Without consulting British bishops, Saint Patrick called upon all people in England to shun the criminal named Coroticus who had so egregiously sinned against God.

In his second letter, traditionally called his *Confession*, Saint Patrick describes his life as a youth, his six years as a slave in Ireland, his escape from slavery, his return to his parents' house in Britain, and his years of service as a missionary in Ireland.

While Patrick is honored as the patron of Ireland, “It is well to remember that Patrick was the victim of Irish injustice before he became the symbol of Irish pride. His spiritual conquest of Ireland followed the prior victory of love over the anger and bitterness in his own heart.”

[From [Blessed Among Us](#)].

*Judy Pearson*

