

 St. Cyril of Alexandria 28 Walton St. Alexandria Bay, NY <hr/> Saturday 5:00 p.m. Sunday 10:00 a.m.	The Catholic Community of Alexandria 17 Rock St. Alexandria Bay, NY 13607 315-482-2670 pastor@stcyrils.org www.stcyrils.org Rev. Douglas G. Comstock, Pastor Bernard Slate, Deacon Joel Walentuk, Deacon	 St. Francis Xavier 43596 State Route 37 Redwood, NY <hr/> Sunday 8:30 a.m.
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Liturgy Schedule for Week of September 10, 2017

Saturday, Sept. 9, 2017			
5:00 p.m.		<i>Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	
		Mark Joensen by his Parents, John & Pat Joensen	
Sunday, Sept. 10, 2017			
8:30 a.m. (SFX)		The Family of Emma George by her Estate	
10:00 a.m.		Pete Fitzsimmons by Russ & Sue Pfister	
Monday, Sept. 11, 2017			
8:00 a.m.		<i>Liturgy of the Word with Communion</i>	
Tuesday, Sept. 12, 2017			
8:00 a.m.		<i>Liturgy of the Word with Communion</i>	
Wednesday, Sept. 13, 2017			
8:00 a.m.		<i>Liturgy of the Word with Communion</i>	
Thursday, Sept. 14, 2017			
8:00 a.m.		<i>Liturgy of the Word with Communion</i>	
Friday, Sept. 15, 2017			
8:00 a.m.		<i>Liturgy of the Word with Communion</i>	
Saturday, Sept. 16, 2017		<i>Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	
5:00 p.m.		Robert & LouAnn "Bobby" Beach and Roxanne Hunter by Dorothy Beach	
Sunday, Sept. 17, 2017			
8:30 a.m. (SFX)		Christine Tidd by Joe & Linda Tidd	
10:00 a.m.		David W. Patterson by John & Patricia Joensen & Family	

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

Our Stewardship

September 3 - 4, 2017

Envelopes	\$2,881.00		
Plate	\$1,916.00	Air Conditioning	\$31.00
Youth			
Electronic Giving	\$48.21	Fuel Collection	\$764.00
Total	\$4,845.21	Total Fuel Contrib.to Date	\$7,326.00
Last Year	\$3,542.00	Total Fuel Goal in '17-'18	\$20,367.00

Church School to Begin Soon

We are making the preparations for church school to begin for the **Elementary** students on **Wednesday October 4th**. We look forward to sharing our faith with the students. It is through the efforts of our wonderful volunteer instructors that make our program a great success and we are very appreciative. Parents can look for student registration forms for grades 1-6 in the children's backpacks this coming week. The children will be bussed from school to St. Cyril's Church at 3:00 p.m. and back to school at 4:00 p.m. to be picked up by parents or bussed home.

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Religious Education for **Jr. High and High School students** will begin **Sunday, October 1st**. Generally classes will be the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month beginning at 6:00pm at St. Cyril's Church Hall. No pre-registration is necessary. We are looking for teachers to help with the 6th/7th grade class. For more information regarding the Jr. & Sr. High you may call Ann Marie Hyde at 315-7830262 or Fr. Doug Comstock at 315-482-2670.

Father Doug Writes:

- ❖ As you consider your contribution to this year's Bishop's Fund Appeal, I encourage you to go online and view this year's *Bishop's Fund Video*: www.rcdony.org/bfayideo.

2017 Bishop's Fund Appeal

One Bread, One Body, One Family

In the coming week, you will receive a letter and brochure from Bishop LaValley asking you to join him in supporting the 2017 Bishop's Fund Appeal. Please remember - every gift makes a difference – every gift counts. Any gifts received after the Appeal reaches its goal will be used to further supplement the Bishop's Good Samaritan Fund which assists families in need in our community and throughout the Diocese. You are invited to bring your gift next weekend for Commitment Weekend and place it in the collection basket or return it to Bishop LaValley in the envelope provided. Online giving is also available at www.rcdony.org/bishop-s-fund-appeal -- click on the "Donate Now" tab (found in the tool bar on the left). Thank you once again for your generosity and support.

Our Lady of Sorrows

Our Lady of Sorrows, the title given to our Blessed Mother, focuses on her intense suffering and grief during the Passion and Death of our Lord. Traditionally, this suffering also comprised the seven dolours or seven sorrows of Mary which were foretold by Simeon who proclaimed to Mary, "*Behold, this child is destined for the fall and rise of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be contradicted (and you yourself a sword will pierce) so that the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed.*" (Lk 2:34-35) These seven sorrows included the flight of the Holy Family into Egypt; the loss and finding of Jesus in the Temple; Mary's meeting of Jesus on the way to Calvary; Mary at the cross of Jesus; her holding of Jesus when he was taken from the cross; Jesus' burial.

The Feast of Our Lady of Sorrows grew in popularity in the 12th century, but under several different titles. By the 14th and 15th centuries, the feast and devotion had spread throughout the Church. In 1482, the feast was officially placed in the Roman Missal under the title of Our Lady of Compassion. In 1727, Pope Benedict XIII placed the Feast of Our Lady of Compassion on the Friday before Palm Sunday. However, the Feast was suppressed with the revision of the calendar published in the Roman Missal in 1969.

In 1668, the feast in honor of the Seven Dolours was set for the Sunday after the Feast of the Holy Cross (September 14). Inserted into the Roman calendar in 1814, it was fixed as the permanent date by Pope Pius X. It was given the official title of the Feast of the Seven Sorrows of the Blessed Virgin Mary (now simply called the Feast of our Lady of Sorrows).

In 1980, Pope St. John Paul II reminded the people that Mary Most Holy continues as the loving consoler of those touched by the many physical and moral sorrows which afflict and torment humanity. As our Spiritual Mother, Mary, like mothers do, always understands her children and consoles them in their troubles.

Looking to the example of Mary, may we, too, unite our sufferings to Jesus and face them with courage, love and trust.

Judy Pearson