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Dynamic young priest takes reins at St. Mary's

By Zander Frost
 Chronicle Staff Writer

Father Scott VanDerveer, 46, the new parish priest at St. Mary's Church in Glens Falls, doesn't fully take the reins until mid-September, but he's already plugged into the Home-town, U.S.A. landscape.

He says, "There's a quote by one of the recent popes — he's a saint now, **St. John the 23rd**. He wants every parish to be like a fountain in the middle of a town where everyone can

Father Scott, 46, did 'Up With People,' has 1500 followers on YouTube channel.



Father Scott VanDerveer, 46.
 Photo provided

come and take a drink, and I love that, especially since St. Mary's is so near Fountain Square."

"I want everyone in town to find this to be an engaging place to be," says Father Scott. "And my goal would be if people say, 'I'm not Catholic, but I like going.'"

He arrives after simultaneously serving two churches, in Ravena and Coxsackie.

Father Scott said he's excited to be in Glens Falls. "I am told that this was a parish that priests would wait their whole life to hope to be as-

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"This night probably took years off my life," writes Max Frost (right), who watched the Ukraine-England match on TV with two barbers he met and the girlfriend of one — as ribs kept coming and vodka shots were poured non-stop.

Max Frost in Ukraine

Editor's note: Max Frost, 27-year-old son of Chronicle owners Mark Frost and Sandra Hutchinson, was our foreign correspondent in 2016-17 when he was living in India and then traveling, mostly in Asia.

His weekly reports in *The Chronicle* were hugely popular and drew packed crowds when he twice spoke at Crandall Public Library.

Last year Max and his friends Max and Billy launched their own news company.

On Aug. 27, **RocaNews(.com)** celebrated its first anniversary — and reached 1-million followers on Instagram.

We persuaded (ordered) Max to share some of his Ukraine reporting with his parents' *Chronicle*. Please turn to page 23 for Max's story.

Home life ruined; neighbor leases out house as Airbnb

To the Editor:

Airbnb Sure Makes It Hard to "Love Thy Neighbor."

As parents, we thought we did everything right.

We researched the schools, the neighborhood — after a three-year search, we bought a house on a private, dead-end with only two neigh-

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