

Northern Points Cluster Bulletin
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ESTATE PLANNING

Please consider continuing your support of your Churches,
Parish of St. Isaac Jogues or St. James Church, in your estate plan.
Your generosity will be remembered annually in our Book of Life.

Weekend Mass Schedule

4:00 pm, Saturday, St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown

5:30 pm, Saturday, St. James, North Creek

9:30 am, Sunday, St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown

11:00 am, Sunday, Blessed Sacrament, Bolton Landing

Mass at one of our Sister churches? Please designate your offertory for your own Parish.

Weekday Mass Schedule

1:30 pm, Monday, January 6th, Elderwood at North Creek

New Time: 12 Noon, Wednesday, January 8th, St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown

Sacrament of Reconciliation

3:30 pm, Saturdays or by appointment

Hospital Visits

Please contact Fr. John if a parishioner is hospitalized or in a nursing home

Preparation for Baptism and Marriage

Please call Fr. John at 518-824-1181

RE-IGNITING OUR FAITH!

Remember, we are doing together what we cannot do alone.
May God bless us as we continue to “Re-Ignite our Faith!” *Fr. John O’Kane*

GIFTS OF THE MAGI!

Both children and adults enjoy giving and receiving gifts; it seems to be part of the human condition. For the receiver there is an element of surprise. What could it be? Perhaps some anticipation comes with opening the gift and there is a sense of wonder. For the giver there is the joy of generosity in seeing the look on the face of the one who receives. There is the joy that comes in simply thinking of the other and providing something for the other not because it was earned, but instead because it comes from a place of generosity. It’s likely that many of us can quickly call to mind gifts that we’ve given or received. The gifts given by the magi in some way represent or symbolize the best physical objects that humanity has to offer. Jesus is the best God has to offer. By the conclusion of the gospel story, humanity will have executed Jesus, the gift of God, only to have God raise him up from the dead. This expression of the paschal mystery guides our thoughts today when the magi present the best of human intentions.

THE 39TH GOLDEN OPPORTUNITY RAFFLE

St. James Church

Support the major fund-raising event for the Parish by taking a chance!
Many people place several names on the same ticket!

Grand Prize: \$10,000

Contribution for Raffle Ticket: \$100
(Only 200 Tickets will be available)

Place: Basil & Wicks **Date:** Sunday, January 26th

Times: 1 pm to 4 pm – Happy Hour 1 pm (cash bar) – Dinner 1:30 pm

Dinner: Italian Buffet

Music: Frank Conti & his Band

Dinner Tickets & Reservations: \$25/adult - \$10/child (12 & under)

Please call Joyce Parker at 518-251-2220

Cluster News

RCIA: Do you know someone who would like to know more about this program or the Catholic Church, or is there a family member who would like to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation: Does someone need encouragement from you to enter this program? Please call Fr. John or the office for more information. A meeting of inquiry will be set.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter: “Put on as God’s chosen ones, holy and beloved, heartfelt compassion, kindness, humility gentleness, and patience, bearing with one another and forgiving one another.” Work to live in your marriage as God desires by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next weekends are March 27-29, 2020 in Albany, NY and July 10-12, 2020 in East Windsor, CT. Information, call Pat & MaryJo McLaughlin, 860-315-2127 or visit them at <https://www.mectw.org/>.

Second Collection: The Evangelist, weekend of January 18th & 19th

North Country Ministry

518-251-4460 or 518-623-2828

Gala: February 14th, “Love is in the Air,” Queensbury Hotel, RSVP 518-623-2829 Ext 302

Books: After you have read a book, please consider donating it to NCM to be available for other readers.

ST. JAMES

Re-Igniting Our Faith: We are in the midst of our Capital Campaign. With 23 pledges to date, we have reached a total of \$32,125! This is 38% of our goal of \$85,000. Thank you for your pledge or donation.

Mass Intentions: Saturday, 1/12 People of the Parish 5:30 pm

ST. ISAAC JOGUES

Bishop’s Appeal: The assessment for St. Isaac Jogues this year is \$24,439. This is a reduction of \$1,018 from last year. We have collected \$23,120 (92 gifts) to date. We have \$1,319 still to collect. Let us strive for 100% participation; not equal gifts, but equal sacrifice! God Bless you for your generosity, commitment and support always. We have reached 95%!

Re-Igniting Our Faith: With your continued generosity, our current total of pledges and donations is \$134,710! Thank you to those who have donated or pledged to this Campaign. It is not too late to do so.

Baptism: We welcome into our Parish Community, Robert William Frost, baptized in St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown. May God continue to bless Robert and his family.

Save the Date: Italian Night, Saturday, January 18th, at 5 pm. There is a sign-up sheet in the back of the church for an Italian dish, appetizers, salads, or desserts.

Mass Intentions: Saturday, 1/11 People of the Parish 4:00 pm
Sunday, 1/12 Joseph Turcotte Req/Gloria Seitz 9:30 am