6th Sunday of Easter May 14, 2023

Schedule for Ascension Thursday, May 18, 2023 St. James, North Creek @ 9 am St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown @ 5 pm Bl. Sacrament, Bolton Landing @ 6:30 pm



MARY IS THE MOTHER WHO WATCHES OVER US, HER CHILDREN, ON OUR JOURNEY THROUGH LIFE, OFTEN WEARY AND IN NEED, ANXIOUS THAT THE LIGHT OF HOPE NOT FAIL.



Rachel's Vineyard Retreat

"Healing the pain of abortion, one weekend at a time." Rachel's Vineyard is a retreat of healing and reconciliation for women and men whose lives have been touched by abortion. The retreat will be held May 19-21, 2023, at the Dominican Retreat & Conference Center in Niskayuna. The weekend will combine discussions, spiritual exercises, the Sacrament of Reconciliation, a Memorial Service and a Mass of Entrustment. Participation is strictly confidential and offers a beautiful opportunity to experience God's love, forgiveness, and compassion. The cost is \$195, which includes a private room, meals and retreat materials. Financial assistance will be available for those unable to pay the entire cost. For more information or to register contact: Pat Mousaw, 518-222-1160 or Katie Bolibaugh, 518-495- 3574 or e-mail: rachelsvineyardalbany@yahoo.com

Church of the Blessed Sacrament Bolton Landing

Intentions & Mass Cards: Please call Rita Whitney at 518-338-6858. 5/14/23 Special Intentions for All Mothers 5/18/23 Mary Ellen Valenty *Req. Anne Marie & Ray Bell* 5/21/23 Rose, Dawn, Jay & Bobby Horn *Req. Dawn Faller* Vera & Anthony Schimenti *Req. Lisa Janssen* Offertory: 5/7 \$1,230

Diocesan Appeal: We have collected \$23,865, which is 96% of our goal of \$25,008, with 74 gifts to date. We still have \$1,143 left to achieve our assessment.

2nd Collection for Mothers Day—Please mark your envelopes who you would like to keep in memory or honor of. We will have Flowers in their Memory.

Linens: We are looking for a couple of people who could take care of our linens for Mass. Washing and ironing them.

Luncheon: Next Sunday, May 21st, following the 10:30 am Mass. Please see Anne Marie Bell if you wish to share a dish. Her phone *#* is 518-644-3051.

Let us Keep Vincent Janssen & Declan Sheridan In Prayer as they Prepare for 1st Holy Communion at Blessed Sacrament Next Sunday, May 21st

St. Isaac Jogues Chestertown/Hague

Intentions & Mass Cards: Please call Kathy DeBartolo at 518-494-7873 5/14/23 Dorothy Clemente, Frances Ryan, Catherine Miles & Delia Ryan *req. by Children* 5/20/23 Frank DeBartolo *Req. Kathy DeBartolo* 5/27/23 Caruso & Dougan Families *Req. Camille Dougan*

Req. Camile Doug Offertory: 5/6 & 5/7 \$2,637

Blessing of the Animals: Fr. John will preside at the blessings of animals for the Adirondack Woofstock at the Chestertown Municipal Center on Saturday, June 3rd, 12:00 pm & 2:00 pm on Sunday June 4th, 12:30 pm & 2:00 pm. **Fall Frolic:** Meeting is *Wednesday*, *May* 24th at

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St. James

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Please call Kathy DeBartolo at 518-494-7873 5/13/23 James McCue *Req. The Burke Family* **Offertory:** 4/22 & 4/29 Report next week **Daily Mass:** Wednesday 9:30 am **Offertory:** 4/22 \$536 4/29 \$608 5/6 \$539 **Memorial Day Remembrance:** 9:00 am, Monday, May 29th. We will remember all lives, especially those in the cemetery and Book of Life. May is the Month of the Blessed Mother. Stations of the Cross will follow the remembrance.

Summer Raffle: It begins on Saturday of Memorial Weekend, and it will benefit the St. James Religious Education Program. The prize is a Patio Table Set. The drawing will be on Saturday, 9//02.



Clothing Center: North Country Ministry is excited to be opening a Clothing Center at the YMCA Adirondack Center in Brant Lake.. Anyone interested in volunteering regularly or occasionally should contact Kayla at <u>kayla@ncmfrinds.com</u> or (518) 623-2829 X303.

If you are interested in volunteering in Warrensburg, please email us at info@northcountryministry.org or call 518-623-2829 Ext. 303.

Mother's Prayer

Make me a wise mother, O Lord. Let me not be too ready to guide My children's stumbling feet, But allow me to be ever near To bind up their bruises. Give me a sense of humor That I may laugh with them, But never at them.



Help me to teach them that life Should be filled with victories, not compromise. Keep my children close to me.

Let your light shine on me and on them. Amen

Our best wishes and prayers go out to all living and deceased Mothers, Grandmothers and those women who have nurtured someone along the path of life. May you enjoy the blessings of this special and beautiful day.

RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

My children could never succeed without their mother and me. That isn't me thinking too much of ourselves, it is just a fact. No one can find success in life in total isolation. I could never have become who I am today without my parents, various teachers and mentors, and my wife. Truth be told, I probably owe a lot of who I am to my children as well.

I can only imagine the fear and concern of the first disciples when it was apparent that Jesus was not going to be with them much longer. Some probably thought since Jesus had risen from the dead, he might just live with them in the same way forever. But Jesus tried to calm their fears by assuring them, "I will not leave you orphans." He said he would continue to come to them and that he would send the Spirit to be with them at all times. They would not have to continue what he had started and preach the good news to the ends of the earth on their own.

We may sometimes feel that we are alone. We may at times try to do too much or show others that we are independent and strong. However, without the help of others, without the help of God, true success will always elude us. Our actions and words can become empty. The gifts we have received can either be cultivated in secret and in the shadows, or we can welcome the help that God provides in his Spirit, his community, and the sacraments he gave us. By working together, the world will truly know the power of the risen Lord.

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