

Northern Points Cluster Bulletin

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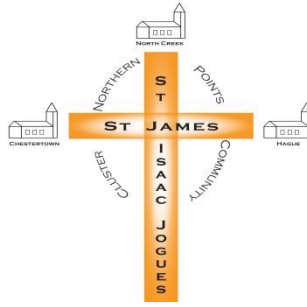
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ESTATE PLANNING

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

Saturday Vigil, 5:30 pm, St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown

Sunday, 7:30 am, St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown

Sunday, 9:00 am, St. Isaac Jogues, Hague

Sunday, 9:00 am, St. James Church, North Creek

Sunday, 11:00 am, St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown

Reminder: When you go to one of our sister churches, please designate your offertory for your own parish

Weekday Mass Schedule

Monday, 2:00 pm, August 15th, Adirondack Tri-County Nursing Home, North Creek

Tuesday, 9 am, August 16th, St. James, North Creek

Wednesday, August 17th, St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary – Monday, August 15th

The holyday obligation is suspended in the USA when the solemnity falls on Saturday or Monday

Sacrament of Reconciliation

By Appointment or—

Saturday at 5:00 pm, Parish Center, (Father John’s Office on First Floor) Chestertown

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 494-5229 ext. 34

Stewardship Prayer

God, loving creator and author of all good gifts,

Bless our parish family and strengthen our faith.

Grant us the gift of Christian stewardship,

so that we may give generously to the spreading of your kingdom

here in our parish and throughout the world.

This we ask through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the

Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen

Bishop’s Appeal

Our 2016 Bishop’s Appeal, “His Mercy Endures Forever,” continues. Your gifts help to fund vocations, ministries, programs and offices of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Albany. We are proud to be a part of this Diocese and wish to sustain it. Thank you to those who have contributed. If you prefer, donations can be made on-line at www.TheBishopsAppeal.org.

DISCIPLESHIP!

Many of us have experienced conflict over our beliefs. We haven’t paid the price of discipleship in blood, as many before us have. What does Jesus tell us to expect? Are our experiences merely uncomfortable or inconvenient? Do they reflect the seriousness of our commitment to the Gospel? Discipleship can disturb our peace. *Copyright, Celebration 2016*

Cluster News

Second Collection: Weekend of August 20th and 21st: The Evangelist: This is our Diocesan newspaper. If you wish to begin receiving The Evangelist, please notify the office.

Stewardship: We are in the midst of a Stewardship Campaign in which we are asking you to increase your offertory if it is possible. We have had a deficit in our budget for a number of years. In order for us to continue to bring the Good News to all in the North Country, we are asking you to consider an increase. Let us pray for the success of this Stewardship campaign. Thank you to those who have already increased their offertory for the future. The response is humbling and we thank you!

Cluster Picnic: Come to a meeting on Monday, August 22nd, at 5 pm, to finalize plans for our Cluster Picnic on Sunday, August 28th, which will be held in the Ski Bowl in North Creek at 1 pm. The day will begin with Mary's Stations of the Cross at 12:30 pm at St. James. Fellowship will then continue at the Ski Bowl. Come and enjoy a balloon toss, pony rides and hay rides, sack races, face painting, piñata—all planned for this amazing Cluster Picnic! We will provide hamburgers, hot dogs, and soft drinks. Can you bring your favorite recipe to share or a salad or dessert? There is a sign-up sheet in the back of the church.

A high-point of the day will be a cake in honor of Sr. Connie Messitt, in recognition of the energy and efforts she expended for our Cluster throughout the years.

A free-will container will be in place. With our finances being stretched rather thinly, it is important that everyone is aware of our free-will container. Thank you!

North Country Ministry (Judy Carr 251-4460 or 623-2829)

Volunteers: North Country Ministry is seeking volunteers to work in the Food Pantry from 4 to 7 pm on Wednesdays. Another volunteer is needed to help with food pick up one or two mornings per week. Both volunteer positions are located in Warrensburg. Contact NCM.

8th Annual Fall Classic Golf Tournament: Sunday, September 18th, at Cronin's Golf Resort; \$95 per player includes golf with cart, lunch steak bake dinner, prizes and a great opportunity to support the important work of the Ministry. \$30 for steak bake for non-golfers. Registration deadline is Wednesday, September 14th. Call 623-2829 or visit www.NorthCountryMinistry.org for more information or to register.

Summer Jackpot Raffle: Only 200 tickets will be sold! Tickets are \$100 and may be purchased by individuals or groups. First prize is \$5,000; second prize is \$2,000; third prize is \$1,000. Drawing will be held at the Ministry's Golf Tournament on September 18th.

Priory News (518-494-3733)

website: www.prioryretreathouse.org or email: www.prioryretreat@yahoo.com

A Soul Collage Weekend Retreat: Saturday, August 27th, 10 am – Sunday, August 28th, 3 pm: This is a deeply satisfying, nurturing, self-discovery process combing imagery with imagination and intuition. With the simple tools of images, scissors and glue, you create your own personal cards. Artistic skills are not required. *Joan Palmer \$150 (meals included)*

ST. JAMES CHURCH:

Bishop's Appeal: We are still racing to reach our goal! Our assessment this year is \$11,809. It is our obligation to meet this assessment! We must reach it! As of this date, we have achieved ONLY 63% of our goal. If we do not reach it, the difference will be collected from our already diminishing funds.

Offertory Collections: Weekend of 8/7/16: \$886 Weekend of 8/2/15: \$1391

Mass Intentions: Sunday, 8/21 James Gleason Req/Rita Gleason 9 am

ST. ISAAC JOGUES:

Bishop's Appeal: We are very close, but still have not yet reached our goal. Our assessment this year is \$23,234. It is our obligation to meet this assessment. As of this date, we have achieved 94% of our goal. Again, we are close, but we have still not reached it. If we do not reach our assessed obligation, the difference will be collected from our already diminishing funds.

Fall Frolic: Raffle tickets are on sale! Tickets are \$100, and only 150 tickets will be sold. Frolic with us on Sunday, October 9th, at Sweet Basil in Queensbury. Our goal is to sell all 150 tickets. With this in mind, we would achieve \$15,000. St. Isaac Jogues would receive \$7,500, and the remaining \$7,500 would be divided among three ticket winners, each receiving \$2,500! Dinner will include sliced sirloin, chicken Marsala, mashed potatoes, penne vodka, a vegetable medley pasta, salad, dessert and unlimited coffee, tea and soda. Come and enjoy the magic of the day and be amazed by the quick hand of a magician! Our own Al Tolomeo will spin some records for our enjoyment also. Dinner tickets are \$25 per adults and for children are \$17 each. Dinner tickets will be on sale in September.

Offertory Collections: Weekend of 8/7/16: \$4729 Weekend of 8/2/15: \$4291

Mass Intentions:

Saturday,	8/20, Helen & Howard Frielingsdorf	Rq/Frielingsdorf Family	CT	5:30 pm
Saturday,	8/20, Dan Feldt	Rq/Ann Marie & Hank Pokripinski	CT	5:30 pm
Sunday,	8/21, Gregory Schutta	Rq/Diane & John Bishop	CT	7:30 am
Sunday,	8/21, John Davis	Rq/Mary & John Vecchione	CT	11:00 am
Sunday,	8/21, Joe Prossick	Rq/Bill Orluk	CT	11:00 am