

Northern Points Cluster Bulletin

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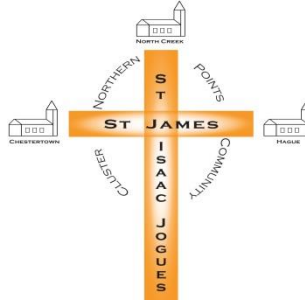
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ESTATE PLANNING

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, 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, No Mass, Adirondack Tri-County Nursing Home, North Creek

Tuesday, 9:00 am, September 20th, St. James, North Creek

Wednesday, 9:00 am, September 21st, St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown

Mass Change – Effective, October 15th

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

Sunday, 8:00 am, St. James Church, North Creek

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

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

CONFLICTING VALUES AND DEMANDS!

My friends, we so often find ourselves confronted with conflicting values and demands. Today we ponder how to balance our call to discipleship with our culture’s call to accumulate wealth and material things. We hear that God is aware of both greed and the needs of the poor. Discipleship challenges us to be prudent, wise focused and balanced in our interaction with money. It’s not easy. Keeping our eyes on the final prize is what really matters. *Copyright, Celebration Publications, 2016*

HEAR YE, HEAR YE! GET YOUR FALL FROLIC RAFFLE AND/OR DINNER TICKET!

The day is fast approaching: Sunday, October 9th, Sweet Basil in Queensbury, 3 pm to? Tickets are \$100, and only 150 tickets will be sold. Our goal is to sell all 150 tickets. If we sell all 150 tickets, 50% will be split into three equal amounts. St. Isaac Jogues would receive \$7,500, and the remaining \$7,500 would be divided among three ticket winners, each receiving \$2,500! If one wishes to go in with someone on a raffle ticket, please let Patty Corey (Music Director) know. Patty will have a list of all those wishing to partially purchase a ticket.

Dinner tickets are now available! Adult tickets are \$25 each, and a child’s ticket is \$17.00; cocktails from 3 to 4 pm with dinner at 4 pm. We will be entertained by a magician during the afternoon, and our own Al Tolomeo will spin some records for our enjoyment, also. Care to dance or sing and “rock around the clock” to some of the oldies?

Baskets will be included in our Chinese Auction. Please bring any items for these baskets to the Parish Center by the last week of September.

Cluster News

Second Collection: Weekend of September 24th & 25th: The Catholic University of America
Inspire: Called to Love: Sunday, September 25th, Lake Placid, NY: Reflect on your baptismal call to holiness; together, we can cultivate a culture of vocations. Be inspired with dynamic prayer, world-renowned speakers & Mass. The very esteemed Most Rev. Robert Barron will be a guest speaker, along with other inspirational speakers. See the information at the back of the Church & register on line.

Summit on the Family: Saturday, October 1st: A gathering for Catholic Families at the Shrine of the North American Martyrs in Auriesville, NY. This day for faith & family will include family activities & devotions, Mass in the Historic Coliseum, Reflections on Pope Francis' *Love & Joy in the Family*, guided and self-tours of the beautiful grounds of the Shrine, a keynote by Bishop Scharfenberger, lunch at no charge to participants. See the flyer in the back of the church.

Stewardship: Thank you to those who have already increased their offertory now and have made a commitment for the future! The people who responded to the Stewardship increase are going to increase their offertory by 21%. Many people responded with a one-time donation for the year. This meets our obligation for this year. We are so blessed to have these benefactors who are helping keep our church alive and vibrant. This is an on-going campaign, and we are praying that God continues to bless the success of the Stewardship program for the many years to come.

44th Annual Diocesan Marriage Jubilee Celebration will be held Sunday, October 2nd, at 2 pm, at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Albany. Couples celebrating their 25th, 40th, 50th, or other special wedding anniversaries are invited! Bishop Scharfenberger will celebrate Mass and greet couples and their guests at a reception in the Cathedral's gathering area immediately following Mass. Please call our Church office (518-824-1176) to register for this special event.

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

Volunteers are always needed! Can you help?

Priory News (518-494-3733)

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

Silent Directed Retreat: *Friday, September 30th, 5 pm – Sunday, October 2nd, 11 am:* Refocus and find God in your life through Scripture, prayer, nature and silence. Call for additional information. *Pat Mousaw, \$175/individual; \$300/couple, meals included*

Blessing of the Animals: Sunday, October 2nd, 2 pm: Come for a special blessing for your beloved pet, a remembrance of St. Francis of Assisi's love for all creatures, great and small.

Fr. John and Patty Corey Donation

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! As of this date, we need \$3219 to reach our assessment, otherwise the difference will be taken from our diminishing funds.

Religious Education: Classes are ongoing for our grade school children. We are reminding parents of Diocesan procedures for them to come into the building to pick up their child/children. The next Children's Mass is scheduled for Sunday October 9th at 9 am.

Mass Intentions: Sunday, 10/2 The People of the Parish 9 am

Offertory Collections: Weekend of 9/11/16: \$1359 9/13/2015: \$1307

ST. ISAAC JOGUES:

Religious Education: Classes are ongoing for our grade school children. We are reminding parents of Diocesan procedures for them to come into the building to pick up their child/children. The next Children's Mass is scheduled for Sunday, October 16th, at 9:30 am. A coffee hour will follow in the Parish Center.

Mass Intentions:

Saturday,	10/1	Jean Perez	Rq/Donna & Joseph Spacek	CT	5:30 pm
Sunday,	10/2	Eleanor & James Tucci	Rq/Bonnie & Frank Tucci	CT	11:00 am

Offertory Collections: Weekend of 9/11/16: \$1917 9/13/2015: \$2237

Christmas Cantata: *And Glory Shone Around* (by Lloyd Larsen and Douglas E. Wagner).

Rehearsals for the Ecumenical Choir will begin on Wednesday, October 5th, at 7 pm in the Chestertown United Methodist Church and will continue on each Wednesday. Performances are Saturday, December 3rd, 7 pm, in St. Sacrament Episcopal Church in Bolton Landing and on Sunday, December 4th, 3 pm, in the Community United Methodist Church in Chestertown. Can you add your voice to this choir?