

Northern Points Cluster Bulletin
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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 Masses

1:30 pm, Monday, December 9th, Elderwood at North Creek

5:15 pm, Wednesday, December 11th, St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown

Feast of the Immaculate Conception

6:15 pm, Sunday, December 8th, St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown

(This Feast day falls on a Sunday & the Holy Day is not a Day of Obligation)

Cluster Mass with the Sacrament of the Sick

6:00 pm, Monday, December 16th, St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown

Christmas Eve Mass Schedule

4:00 pm, Family Mass, St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown

6:00 pm, Blessed Sacrament, Bolton Landing

7:30 pm, St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown

9:30 pm, St. James, North Creek

Christmas Day Mass Schedule

9:30 am, St. James, North Creek

11:00 am, St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown

New Year’s Eve & Day Mass Schedule

(Feast of Mary, Mother of God)

5:30 pm, Tuesday, St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown

9:00 am, Wednesday, St. James, North Creek

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

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*

GOD'S WISH LIST!

We might say that Advent invites us to consider God's wish list with as much attention as we put into finding the right presents for others. Isaiah, Paul, and John the Baptist all talk about God's hopes. Isaiah says that God wants us to yearn for and accept the Spirit who offers the gifts of wisdom, understanding, counsel, and strength of the Lord. Those are the capacities needed to create the community that attracts others to know and glorify God. We must be an Advent people. and listen to God's message. God is waiting on our roads, disguised in the people who have nothing left but hope. We had better watch out!

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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.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter: "Behold, I am sending my messenger ahead of you; he will prepare your way before you." Strengthen, renew, and rekindle your marriage sacrament 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. More information, call Pat & MaryJo McLaughlin, 860-315-2127 or visit them at <https://wwmectw.org/>.

Giving Tree Program: We have begun! All gifts should be individually wrapped and labelled with the tags from the tree. Presents must be available on or before Friday, December 13th for North Country Ministry to deliver them before the start of the holiday weekend.

North Country Ministry

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

ST. JAMES

Bishop's Appeal: The assessment for St. James this year is \$9,399. This is a reduction of \$392 from last year. We have collected \$8,915 (49 gifts) to date. We have \$484 still to collect! Remember, 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: 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.

Save the Date: Sunday, January 26th, Golden Opportunity Raffle; Basil & Wicks, 1 pm to 4 pm – Raffle tickets are \$100. More to follow!

Mass Intentions: Saturday, 12/21 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 \$22,355 (86 gifts) to date. We have \$2,084 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 92%!

Re-Igniting Our Faith: With your continued generosity, our current total of pledges and donations is \$131,710! Thank you to those who have donated or pledged to this Campaign. It is not too late to do so.

Christmas Food Baskets: Thanks to all who donated so generously to fill the Christmas food baskets. We will be packing the baskets in the Parish Center on Friday, December 13th, at 3 pm. If you would like to help, please call John at 518-494-4398.

Christmas Cantata: Saturday, December 14th, Bolton Episcopal Church of Saint Sacrament, Bolton, 7 pm, and Sunday, December 15th, Methodist Church, Chestertown, 3 pm "And Glory Shown Around!"

Mass Intentions: Saturday, 12/21 Ed Schutta Req/Rounds/DeBartolo 4:00 pm
Sunday, 12/22 Margaret Maday Req/Pat & Ray Gallagher 9:30 am