

# *Northern Points Cluster Bulletin*

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*Christmas, December 25, 2016*

*Solemnity of Mary, January 1, 2017*

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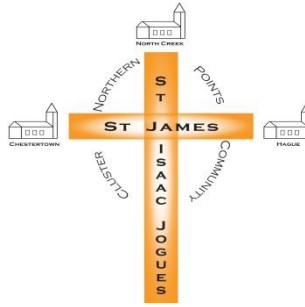
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### ESTATE PLANNING

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.

### New Year's Eve & Day Mass Schedule

*(Feast of Mary, Mother of God)*

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

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

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

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

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

### Weekend Mass Schedule

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

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

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

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**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, December 26<sup>th</sup>, Adirondack Tri-County Nursing Home, North Creek*

*Monday, 2:00 pm, January 2<sup>nd</sup>, Adirondack Tri-County Nursing Home, North Creek*

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

*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 824-1181*

### **OUR CHRISTMAS PRAYER FOR YOU!**

*May the wonder and awe of God's love manifested in Jesus touch your life this Christmas Season.*

*May His peace, joy and many blessings bring you happiness throughout the New Year.*

*We thank everyone who made it happen and who also spread the peace and love of Jesus Christ.*

**CHRIST OUR SAVIOR IS BORN!**

**MERRY CHRISTMAS AND BLESSINGS THROUGHOUT THE NEW YEAR!**

*Fr. John & Barb*

## JESUS IS OUR LIGHT!

Christmas! It is a time for those who are sitting in darkness or waiting to hear a meaningful word from God. Today we celebrate that Jesus is truly light for those who cannot see and that God has said everything that can be said in the Word made flesh. God is among us, showing us everything we need to know and lighting our way. If we have never really looked at who Jesus is and what he is for us, the glorious time to do so is now. *Copyright: Celebration 2016*

### Cluster News

**Second Collection:** North Country Ministry, December 31<sup>st</sup> & January 1<sup>st</sup>

**Homebound:** Please contact Fr. John if you would like him to make a visit to any one homebound.

**RCIA:** If you know someone who has left the church or would like to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation, or if you know someone who would like to know more about becoming a Catholic, please call the office. An evening of inquiry will be set up.

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

**Winter Clothing:** There is always a need for winter clothing for all age groups.

**Priory News** (518-494-3733)

website: [www.prioryretreathouse.org](http://www.prioryretreathouse.org) or email: [www.prioryretreat@yahoo.com](mailto:www.prioryretreat@yahoo.com)

**Morning Mindfulness:** *Saturday, January 7<sup>th</sup>, 9 am-noon:* Come, be still, and connect to your inner self through a gentle yoga sequence and mindfulness-based meditation practice.

*Melissa Wilson & Megan Seeley \$50/person*

### THE 36<sup>TH</sup> 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 29<sup>th</sup>

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

**Music:** Frank Conti and his Band

**Dinner Tickets & Reservations:** \$25/adult - \$10/child (14 & under)

*Please be aware that any amount payable (winner) over \$600 is subject to form 1099. Also, winners must provide two (2) forms of ID or a Passport. We also must have your Social Security number to issue your winnings!*

Please call Joyce Parker at 251-2273

### ST. JAMES CHURCH:

**Bishop's Appeal:** As of this date, we need \$1144. This puts us at 90% of the obligation. Fr. John will be reaching out through phone calls to those who have not yet contributed.

**United Methodist Church:** Although we are saddened that our neighbors are moving out of their building because of finances, we are very pleased and happy that we can help them, as they soon will have their Sunday services at St. James! They are planning their first service here on Sunday, January 8<sup>th</sup>. Let us pray together as we begin this ecumenical endeavor!

**Mass Intentions:** Saturday, 12/31      The People of the Parish      5:30 pm  
Sunday, 1/1      Kenneth Burch      8:00 am

**Offertory Collections:** Weekend of 12/18/2016: \$811      12/06/2015: \$899

### ST. ISAAC JOQUES:

**Mass Intentions:** Saturday, 12/31      The People of the Parish      4:00 pm  
Sunday, 1/1      Ed Belanger      Req/Vecchione      9:30 am

**Offertory Collections:** Weekend of 12/18/2016: \$1346      12/20/2015: \$1395