

Northern Points Cluster Bulletin

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Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time, February 19, 2017

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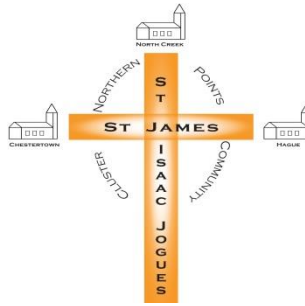
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ESTATE PLANNING

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.

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

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

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

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

Weekday Mass Schedule

Monday, 1:30 pm, February 20th, Tri-County Nursing Home, North Creek

No other weekday Mass this week

Reminder: There is no daily morning Mass when school is canceled or delayed

Services for Ash Wednesday, March 1st

9:00 am, Mass & Distribution of Ashes, St. James, North Creek

3:30 pm, Children’s Prayer Service & Distribution of Ashes, St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown

5:30 pm, Mass & Distribution of Ashes, St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown

7:00 pm, Mass & Distribution of Ashes, Blessed Sacrament, Bolton Landing

Fasting & Abstinence

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of both fast & abstinence.

“Abstinence” is to abstain from meat.

“Fasting” means not eating in-between meals and only having one main meal with two smaller meals not equaling the main meal.

Also, the custom in our Diocese is to observe Lenten Fridays as days of abstinence.

Those ages 18 to 59 are asked to fast and abstain on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.

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

GO BEYOND!

In our treatment of one another, even those who are our enemies, Jesus challenges us to go beyond what is expected, beyond what we might think is reasonable or even achievable. We are to go beyond what we might think is human to what is divine. "Be holy" as God is holy; "be perfect" as God is perfect. On our own this is impossible! Only because of God's love for us expressed in the life of Jesus who teaches us rightly, is this possible. Only when we experience God's love for us first, is this possible. *Copyright, Living Liturgy, 2017*

Cluster News

Labyrinth: Inside St. Cecilia's Nave: Sunday, February 19th, 2-4 pm, Learning to Center, Ponder, Walk the Labyrinth; Tuesday, February 21st, 6:30-8:30 pm, Learning Conscious Parenting; Thursday, February 23rd, 10 am-12 Noon, Healing of Memories. *See the flyer at the back of the church.*

Retreat for Women: March 31st through April 2nd: Retreat for Women: Dominican Retreat & Conference Center, Niskayuna, NY. The Guest Director is Rev. Louis Sogliuzzo, SJ. This year's theme: "What Do You Want Me to Do for You?" (Mark 10:51). This weekend will offer hours away from daily routine for rest, quiet, learning and reflection, inner healing, growth, prayer and sharing. Individual or private consultation with any of the staff will be available. The weekend is open to all faiths and all ages. *Please call Ginny Raymond for more information (518) 251-3515*

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 or email: www.prioryretreat@yahoo.com

Quiet Weekend (Undirected): *Friday, February 24th, 3 pm – Sunday, February 26th, 11 am:* Consider a quiet oasis away during the winter season. Reconnect with yourself and the power of the divine. Meals, accommodations, and spiritual direction are provided based on request. *\$65/night (single), \$80/night (double). Meals: \$5-\$15; Local Mass & church services available*

ST. JAMES CHURCH:

Second Collection: Weekend of February 25th & 26th: North Country Ministry

Mass Intentions: Saturday, 2/25	People of the Parish	5:30 pm
Sunday, 2/26	People of the Parish	8:00 am

Offertory Collections: Weekend of 2/12/17: \$904 Weekend of 2/14/16: \$1129

ST. ISAAC JOGUES:

Easter Food Baskets: Our Food Basket Ministry will be accepting donations of food and money as Easter approaches. Your donations will help provide Easter food baskets for local families in need. Please call the office if you know of anyone who would need a food basket for Easter. These names will be kept in strictest confidence. Watch the bulletin for specific items needed or bring whatever canned goods you can spare.

Handicap Rail: Please be aware that the handicap rail is unstable. Weather will not permit us to repair it until spring. Please be cautious.

St. Patrick's Day Dinner: Saturday, March 18th, following the 4 pm Mass

Mass Intentions: Saturday, 2/25	Barbara Stadler	Req/May Ann Bednar	4:00 pm
Sunday, 2/26	Michael Corey		9:30 am

Offertory Collections: Weekend of 2/12/17: \$997 Weekend of 2/14/16: \$1046