

Northern Points Cluster Bulletin
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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

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 Mass Schedule

1:30 pm, Monday, March 2nd, Elderwood at North Creek

Lenten Programs

St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown

5:15 pm Mass, Monday, March 2nd, followed by Mary’s Way of the Cross Stations

Fasting & Abstinence

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of both fasting & 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

3:30 pm, Saturdays, or by appointment

11:00 am, Sunday, March 8th, St. Cecilia, Warrensburg

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*

TEMPTATION!

In this season of Lent, how are you being called to live deeply into the truth of your own sinfulness and the truth of God’s overwhelming mercy? Copyright, *Living Liturgy* 2020

Cluster News

Operation Rice Bowl: Rice bowls are available in the back of the church. Your participation in this project will help support families around the world. For 40 days of Lent, \$1 a day provides 1 month of food for a family, 2 years of seed for a farmer, and 3 months of clean water.

Rachel's Vineyard Retreat: April 17th-19th, Dominican Retreat & Conference Center, 1945 Union Street, Niskayuna: An opportunity to experience God's love and healing in a safe environment. This retreat "may bring God's tender love and compassion to those who need His peace so much." Additional information: www.rachelsvineyard.org or call 1-877-467-3463. See the flyer in the back of the church.

Ways to Give: There is information in the back of the church with instructions on ways to give to our *Re-Igniting Our Faith* Campaign. Thank you to those who have already contributed or pledged.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter: "Communication is an art learned in moments of peace to be practiced in moments of difficulty" and says of spouses that "Each must set aside all illusions and accept the other as he or she actually is: an unfinished product, needing to grow, a work in progress." The WWME Community in the Albany Diocese invites parishioners to focus on their marriage, enhance the art of communication, and grow in love and unity with God. The next weekends are March 27-29, Latham, NY, July 10-12, East Windsor, CT, November 6-8, East Windsor, Ct. Contacts: Katharine: 518-536-0216 katharineweis@gmail.com or Chris 518-779-2090, zchriscool@outlook.com or www.wwmectw.org or 860-315-2127. See the flyer in back.

Magnificat: Albany Chapter of Magnificat - Women's Breakfast, Saturday, March 14th, 9:00 to 12:00 pm, Holiday Inn Express, 400 Old Loudon Road, Latham. Guest Speaker Lynda Holler. Topic, "Living & Learning God's Truth Through Both the Joys and the Sorrows." See the flyer for additional information and to register.

Retreat for Women: Weekend of April 3-5: Dominican Retreat & Conference Center, Niskayuna, NY. The Guest Director is Sr. Julia Mary Werner, a Sister of Mercy. This year's theme: "Trust in the Lord with All your heart." Enjoy hours away from daily routine for rest, quiet, learning and reflection, inner healing, growth, prayer, and sharing. Individual or private consultation with any staff will be available. Open to all faith and all ages. Information/questions, flyer in back of the church or call Ginny Raymond, 518-251-3515.

North Country Ministry

518-251-4460 or 518-623-2828

Bedding & Towels: There is a need for these items. Can you help?

ST. JAMES

Readers, Greeters, Eucharistic Ministers: See Karen or Joyce following Mass to set the March schedule.

Re-Igniting Our Faith: We are in the midst of our Capital Campaign. With 24 pledges to date, we have reached a total of \$32,425! This is 39% of our goal of \$85,000. There is still time to pledge or donate!

Mass Intentions: Saturday, 3/07 People of the Parish 5:30 pm

ST. ISAAC JOGUES

Music Ministry: The Easter Season is fast approaching, and we are preparing our music. We invite you to join us for a rehearsal or two and see if you would like to be a part of the Music Ministry. We welcome men, women, teens, children 6th grade and over. Rehearsals, 30 minutes before Mass and an introduction to new music, 30 minutes after Mass. Come share your God-given talent, vocal or instrumental. Build our choir!

St. Patrick's Day: Saturday, March 14th: march in the parade with St. Isaac Jogues parishioners this year! Enjoy a corn-beef & cabbage dinner in the Parish Center at 5 pm. There is a sign-up sheet in the back of the church for marchers and for soda bread, desserts, or salads. A suggested offering is \$5 per person or \$10 per family for dinner.

Address for Betty McCartney: c/o Liz Paquette; 72 Cliff Street; Hastings on Hudson, NY 12706 or marties2@nycap.rr.com. Betty is recuperating from a fall.

Re-Igniting Our Faith: With your continued generosity, our current total of 83 pledges and donations is \$143,135! This is 72% of our \$200,000 goal. There is still time to pledge or donate!

Mass Intentions: Saturday, 3/07 People of the Parish 4:00 pm
Sunday, 3/08 People of the Parish 9:30 am