

## *Northern Points Cluster Bulletin*

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*Feast of Christ the King, November 20, 2016*

*First Sunday of Advent, November 27, 2016*

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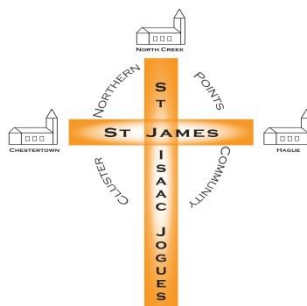
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### ESTATE PLANNING

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*

**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, November 21<sup>st</sup>, Adirondack Tri-County Nursing Home, North Creek*

*Monday, 2:00 pm, November 28<sup>th</sup>, Adirondack Tri-County Nursing Home, North Creek*

*Wednesday, 9:00 am, November 30<sup>th</sup>, St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown*

### Thanksgiving Day Masses

*Thursday, 9:00 am, November 24<sup>th</sup>, St. James, North Creek*

### Feast of the Immaculate Conception

*Wednesday Vigil, December 7<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 pm, Blessed Sacrament, Bolton Landing*

*Thursday, December 8<sup>th</sup>, 9:00 am, St. James, North Creek*

*Thursday, December 8<sup>th</sup>, 9:00 am, St. Cecilia, Warrensburg*

*Thursday, December 8<sup>th</sup>, 5:30 pm, St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown*

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

*Saturday, 5:00 pm, St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown, Parish Center (Fr. John’s Office on First Floor)*

*Sunday, 7:30 am, St. James, North Creek, Parish Center (Living Room)*

*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 824-1181*

### **HAPPY THANKSGIVING!**

During this week of Thanksgiving, let us ponder — “Blessed are those who are grateful for life, for they shall have it in its fullness.” We are blessed to live in a land of mountains, valleys, flowing rivers and babbling brooks. We are loved and have the capacity to reach out and let our fellowship and love overflow into the lives of others. Let us find joy in each day and spread that joy within our parishes and communities. Our lives are enriched with God’s presence, and we are eternally grateful for our many blessings. Celebrate the Feast of Christ the King by loving and serving one another!

On behalf of our entire Cluster Family, we wish you and your families a Happy Thanksgiving and a Blessed, Holy, Advent Season! *Fr. John*



## Cluster News

**Second Collection:** December 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup>: Christmas Flower Offering

**Homebound:** The holidays are fast approaching. If you know of anyone homebound and would like Fr. John to make a home visit, please contact him.

**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.

**Advent Candlelight Vigil** reflection hour at Blessed Sacrament Church, Bolton Landing, on Friday December 9<sup>th</sup>, from 7 pm to 8 pm. The evening will include Scripture reading, music and quiet reflection, blessing of mangers, and an opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Fellowship will follow in the Community Room.

**Note:** Our Christmas Giving Tree will be in place Thanksgiving weekend.

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

**Baby's Place Play Group:** The Baby's Place Play Group of North Country Ministry meets on the first three Tuesdays of the month from 10:00 to 11:30, at the Adirondack Community Outreach Center, 2718 Route 28, North Creek. Children from newborn through age 3 and their caregivers are welcome to attend FREE of charge. Questions: 251-4460.

**Holiday Cards:** Holiday cards are being offered as a special gift alternative to honor family, friends and business associates. The inside message conveys the unique gift you have made in the recipient's name and each card is printed on quality paper with an enclosed envelope. *See the flyer.*

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

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

**Priory Christmas Sale:** *Saturday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 9 am – 3 pm:* Annual Christmas Sale at the Chestertown Municipal Center. Holiday gifts, holiday decorations, music, CDs, cards, seasonal art, toys and games, clothing and baked goods, and much more. Questions: 494-3733

**Christmas Tree Decorating & Potluck:** *Sunday, December 11<sup>th</sup>, 2 pm, Liturgy at 4 pm, then dinner following:* Celebrate this joy-filled season by helping to decorate the house and join in the holiday cheer. *Call and register so we may plan accordingly.*

## **ST. JAMES CHURCH:**

**Bishop's Appeal:** As of this date, we need \$2194. This puts us at 81% of the obligation. Fr. John will be reaching out through phone calls to those who have not yet contributed.

**Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service:** Wednesday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>, 7:00 pm, Calvary Bible Church, Wevertown. An offering will be received as well as donations of canned food.

**Tri-County Nursing Home Ecumenical Thanksgiving Day Service,** Tuesday, 10:30 am, November 22<sup>nd</sup>.

**Second Collection:** December 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>: North Country Ministry

**Readers, Greeters & Eucharistic Ministers:** See Karen following the November 27<sup>th</sup> Mass to set the December schedule.

**Save the Date:** Sunday, January 29<sup>th</sup> – Our Golden Opportunity Raffle! More to follow!

**Reconciliation:** Thursday, December 1<sup>st</sup>, 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm, St. James, North Creek.

**Mass Intentions:** Sunday, 11/27 The People of the Parish 8 am

**Offertory Collections:** Weekend of 11/13/2016: \$597 11/15/2015: \$560

## **ST. ISAAC JOGUES:**

**Christmas Food Baskets:** Monetary and food donations for Christmas baskets are now being taken. Your donations will help to provide Christmas food baskets for local families in need. You may contribute by placing non-perishable food donations in the container at the entrance of the church, or you can place money donations in the box provided. Want to join the food basket team? Call John at 494-4398.

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

Performances: Saturday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 7 pm, St. Sacrament Episcopal Church in Bolton Landing, and Sunday, December 4<sup>th</sup>, 3 pm, in the Community United Methodist Church in Chestertown.

**Reconciliation:** Wednesday, November 30<sup>th</sup>, 6:00 am to 9:00 am, St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown.

**Mass Intentions:** Sunday, 11/27 Ed Belanger Req/Vecchione 9:30 am

**Offertory Collections:** Weekend of 11/13/2016: \$1654 11/15/2015: \$1589