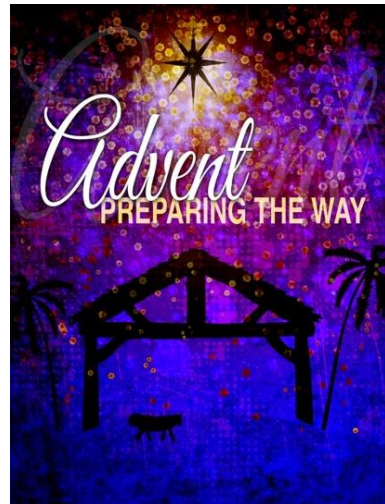


2nd Sunday of Advent



Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve

4:00 pm St. Isaac Jogues

6:00 pm Blessed Sacrament

8:30 pm St. James

Christmas Day

9:00 am St. Isaac Jogues

10:30 am Blessed Sacrament

Feast of the Immaculate Conception

This Wednesday, December 7th

3:30 pm St. Isaac Jogues

Giving Tree Program for Cluster

Tags are available for our Giving Tree Program. We ask that you have your wrapped gift with the gift tag securely taped to it brought back no later than Saturday or Sunday, December 10th or December 11th. This Ministry this year is extremely important. When looking at the needs of the family, almost every one of them needed winter clothing. God Bless you all!

Church of the Blessed Sacrament

Bolton Landing

Intentions & Mass Cards: Please call Rita Whitney at 518-338-6858.

12/4/22 Frank O'Connor *Req. Debbie Sands*

12/4/22 Eileen Gratzner *Req. Anne Helmstetter*

12/11/22 Virginia & Carl Horn *Req. Dawn Faller*

Collection: 11/20 Offertory \$820

11/27 Offertory \$861

2nd Collections: 12/4 Buildings & Maintenance

12/11 Christmas Flowers

Faith Formation Registration: Please see or call Anne Marie Bell at 518-644-3051

Diocesan Appeal: We have collected \$7955 which is 32% of our goal of \$25,008, with 21 gifts to date.

We strive for 100% participation, not equal gifts.

Thank you, your stewardship is truly appreciated.

St. James

North Creek

Mass Intentions & Mass Cards:

Please call Kathy DeBartolo at 518-494-7873

Sat, 12/4 People of the Parish

Sat, 12/11 Mass Intention Available

Collection: 11/20 Offertory \$581

11/27 Offertory \$734

2nd Collections: 12/11, Christmas Flowers

Diocesan Appeal: Wow, we have collected \$4,931 which is 68% of our goal of \$7,252, with 18 gifts to date.

We strive for 100% participation, not equal gifts.

Thank you, your stewardship is truly appreciated.

Adirondack Community Outreach Center: in

North Creek is once again collecting unwrapped

toys for our Annual Holiday Toy Giveaway. This

program is for parents and grandparents of children

ages newborn to 16 who otherwise may not have

the financial resources to shop at the retail level

"to go shopping" at no cost at the Outreach on

Dec. 15th & Dec. 17th. Last year we served 130

children residing in the Johnsbury Central School

District and we thank you for your past participation.

A Toy Box will be available until Saturday Dec.

10th for **new unwrapped toy donations**. MERRY

CHRISTMAS!

St. Isaac Jogues

Chestertown/Hague

Please call Kathy DeBartolo for Mass Intentions/Card at 518-494-7873

Sat, 12/3 Marietta Knapp *Req. Kathy DeBartolo*

Sat, 12/10 Geoff Hooper *Req. Kathy DeBartolo*

Collection: 11/20 Offertory \$1,776

11/27 Offertory \$2,001

2nd Collections: 12/11, Christmas Flowers

Diocesan Appeal: Wow, we have collected

\$12,038 which is 61% of our goal of \$19,659, with

31 gifts to date. We strive for 100% participation,

not equal gifts. Thank you, your stewardship is

truly appreciated.

Thank You! Thank you to Jim McDermott of

Barton McDermott Funeral Home for the gift of the

beautiful Christmas Tree. Thank you, also, to

everyone who contributed to making the tree so

beautiful.



Keep in touch with us
VIA EMAIL AND TEXT MESSAGE

What is it used for?

- Sending notifications (emails and/or text messages) of cancelled events due to bad weather
- Distributing the weekly bulletin
- Staying in touch with seasonal parishioners
- Publishing events

How do I sign up?

Two easy ways:

- Go to northernpoints.flocknote.com, enter your name and email and/or phone number, select your parish from the list, and verify your email address
- Text "NORTHERN" to 84576 and follow the steps you receive on your phone

Avent Events (See Flyer)

Prayer & Penance Sun, 12/4

Adoration St. James 9:30 -12:30 pm

Adoration St. Isaac Jogues 10-2 pm

Adoration Bl. Sacrament 11:30-1:30 pm

Penance with Confession 2 pm

Lunch n' Learn @ Adirondack Community Outreach Ctr.

Lunch @ 1. Presentation @ 2

Lessons & Carols @ Blessed Sacrament, Bolton Landing

2 pm w/Cookie Exchange & Hot Chocolate

Recognizing God in the Ordinary Moments

How Much Is Enough?

I've got some great news for some of you: Jesus Christ doesn't care what name you bear. He doesn't care where you were born, and he doesn't care what your family tree looks like. He doesn't care where you grew up or where you went to school.

I've also got some bad news for some of you: See above.

It's so easy to take our salvation for granted. The mercy of God makes it so. Look at John the Baptist — he was pouring water on everybody who wanted it. Everybody but one group: those who expected it. Those who thought it was a given because of who they were, because of what they were. Those who had no intention of doing the work of repentance.

Sometimes, because God is so faithful, we make the mistake of forgetting that He is also just.

I am baptized, we think. I made my First Communion, and I was Confirmed. That's enough.

I went to Catholic school. I know all the Ten Commandments and I can tell you anything you want to know about the Popes. That's enough.

I'm on parish council. I put money in the basket, and I volunteer. That's enough.

None of it is enough. It would never be enough. And before we look upon the Pharisees and Sadducees with too much judgment, we need to remember: the work of repentance is ongoing. It is a process that we must commit to within ourselves, continuously.

God is the missing element to this equation. He is the one who raises children to Abraham from the stones. If we rely only on our own abilities, our own merits, our own offerings, it will never be enough. — Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPi

Womans Retreat

Unleashing Love 12/10/22

9 am to 4 pm

St. Pius X Church

Loudonville, NY 12211