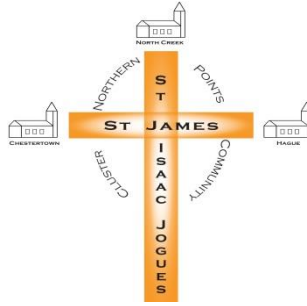


Northern Points Cluster Bulletin
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2nd Sunday of Advent, December 10, 2017

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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 Vigil, St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown
5:30 pm, Saturday Vigil, St. James, North Creek
8:00 am, Sunday, St. James Church, 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, December 11th, Adirondack Tri-County Nursing Home
No Wednesday morning Mass*

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

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

Cluster Mass with the Sacrament of the Sick

Monday, December 11th, 6:30 pm, St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown

Christmas Eve Mass Schedule

*4:00 pm, Family Mass, St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown
6:00 pm, Blessed Sacrament, Bolton Landing
7:30 pm, St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown
9:30 pm, St. James, North Creek*

Christmas Day Mass Schedule

*9:30 am, St. James, North Creek
11:00 am, St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown*

New Year's Eve & Day Mass Schedule

(Feast of Mary, Mother of God)

*This Holy Day since it falls on a Monday is not one for obligation
Weekend Masses Remain the Same as Above*

OUR WORLDS WILL CHANGE!

The infant child Jesus will change our worlds. Though we have had time to ponder the meaning of this birth, the knowledge that it is at least two weeks away can also give us comfort. We have many things to attend to before that day. As we go about our Christmas routine, checking off lists, ensuring we have purchased just the right gifts, delivering food and presents, we are reminded that this child is coming. Ready or not. Copyright *Living Liturgy* 2018

THE 37TH 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)

This makes a great Christmas gift and is also good for the end of the year tax purposes

Place: Basil & Wicks

Date: Sunday, January 28th

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 (12 & under)

Please call Joyce Parker at 518-251-2273

Cluster News

Cluster Mass with the Sacrament of the Sick: Monday, December 11th, 6:30 pm, St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown. This is a time to prepare for the Christmas Season with Jesus' healing presence for our physical, mental, and spiritual well-being. As we begin the new Church year, we ask and seek the Lord for his healing presence through this Sacrament.

Second Collection: Weekend of December 31st, North Country Ministry

Worldwide Marriage Encounter: "When one finds a worthy wife, her value is far beyond pearls."

Spouses find value in one another by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend:

January 19-21, 2018, South Kingstown, RI & February 2-4, 2018, Manchester, CT.

Contact Ed & Rhonda Staats, 518-279-3243 or <https://www.womenyalb.org>

Giving Tree: Please be sure to return your gift, wrapped and with the tag secured on the front of the gift, by the weekend of December 16th & 17th.

Advent Candlelight Vigil: Tuesday, December 12th, 7 pm to 8 pm; Blessed Sacrament Church, Bolton Landing: Withdraw from the hustle and bustle of the season to prepare for the true meaning of Christmas. Scripture reading, music and quiet reflection. More information, call 518-644-3861.

North Country Ministry

Judy Carr, 251-4460 or 623-2829 www.NorthCountryMinistry.org

Holiday Cards: Christmas gift alternative cards are now available to benefit North Country Ministry. For a donation of \$5 or more, you may select a beautiful card by a local artist and gift the gift of supporting the Ministry's work. Call or download an order form as shown above.

Priory News (518-494-3733)

www.prioryretreathouse.org

Vespers at the Priory: Wednesdays, 5:30 pm: Potluck Supper & Scripture. There will be 20 minutes of Stillness Meditation & Communal recitation of the Jesus Prayer at 5:10 pm. (*donation*).

December Guided Weekend Retreat: Friday, December 15, 7 pm – Sunday, December 17, 2 pm: Spiritual direction, community prayer, meals & accommodations—\$225 individual

January Guided Weekend Retreat: Fridays through Sundays: Jan. 12-14/Feb. 23-25/Mar. 16-18/
Apr 27-29: Spiritual direction, community prayer, meals & accommodations— Begins 7 pm
Fridays, concludes 2 pm Sundays: \$225 individual

ST. JAMES CHURCH:

Adoration, Reconciliation: The Blessed Sacrament will be present for Adoration on Tuesday, December 19th, from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm, in the church. Fr. John will be available for the Sacrament of Reconciliation during this time.

Mass Intentions: Saturday, 12/16 People of the Parish 5:30 pm
Sunday, 12/17 People of the Parish 8:00 am

Regular Offertory: October 2017: \$3,728 October 2016: \$4,110

ST. ISAAC JOGUES:

Weekday Mass, Adoration, and Reconciliation: There will be a Mass on Monday, December 18th, at 5:30 pm, in the church. Following the Mass, the Blessed Sacrament will be present for Adoration from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm. Fr. John will be available for the Sacrament of Reconciliation in his office at the parish center during this time.

Christmas Food Baskets: Thank you to everyone who donated so generously to fill the Christmas food baskets. We will be packing the baskets in the Parish Center on Friday, December 15th, at 3 pm. Call John if you can help, 518-494-4398.

Mass Intentions: Saturday, 12/16 Shawn Corey Req/Rounds, Frevele, Shepherd 4:00 pm
Sunday, 12/17 Eivion Williams Req/Nan Williams 9:30 am

Regular Offertory: October 2017: \$9,284 October 2016: \$10,146