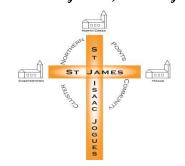
Northern Points Cluster Bulletin

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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

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, 2:00 pm, February 13th, Tri-County Nursing Home, North Creek Wednesday, 9:00 am, February 15th, St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown 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

CHOICES!

No law, whether divine or human, can cover all the right choices we are to make as we journey through life in community. What is needed is trust in God and right choices that bring life to ourselves and others, relying on the wisdom and understanding of God who knows us better than we know ourselves. Our own choices for good, for life, can only come when we open ourselves to God's guidance and wisdom. In this is the promise of fullness of Life. In this is our life in Christ. *Copyright, Living Liturgy, 2017*

Cluster News

National Marriage Week: February 7-14: National Marriage Week USA: Let's Strengthen Marriage. Please see the flyer at the back of the church or call Joan & Tony Viscusi at 279-3243. 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*. 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.

Cluster Pastoral Council Meeting: Monday, February 13th, 5 pm, St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown Save the Date: 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

Directed Silent Retreat: Friday, February 17th, 5 pm (opening prayer)- Sunday, February 19th, 11 am: Connect more deeply with God and yourself. John Allen & Pat Mousaw \$225 Individual/\$425 couple; meals & accommodations included

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:

Wine & Cheese: Following the 5:30 pm Mass on Saturday, February 18th. Let's thank our seasonal parishioners for being part of our community. Hot cocoa will be available for the children.

Second Collection: Weekend of February 18th & 19th: Upkeep of Cemetery: Please be as generous as possible so that we can continue to properly maintain the cemetery.

Mass Intentions: Saturday, 2/18 People of the Parish 5:30 pm

Sunday, 2/19 Lucy Persons 8:00 am

Offertory Collections: Weekend of 2/05/17: \$1109 Weekend of 2/07/16: \$1169

ST. ISAAC JOGUES:

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 & Fall Frolic Meeting: Friday, February 24th, 5 pm: (\$5 per person for Pizza) **Mass Intentions:** Saturday, 2/18 Dan Feldt 4:00 pm

Sunday, 2/19 Raymond A. Waszak 9:30 am

Offertory Collections: Weekend of 2/05/17: \$1188 Weekend of 2/07/16: \$1099