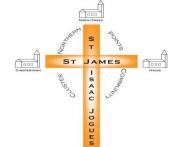
### Northern Points Cluster Bulletin

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#### **ESTATE PLANNING**

Please remember your Churches, Parish of St. Isaac Jogues or St. James Church, when planning your estate. Your generosity will be remembered annually in our Book of Life.

#### **Weekend Mass Schedule**

Saturday Vigil, 5:30 pm, St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown Sunday, 8:30 am, St. James, North Creek Sunday, 10:00 am, St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown

Reminder: When you go to one of our sister churches, please designate your offertory for your own parish

### **Summer Mass Schedule** (beginning May 29<sup>th</sup>)

5:30 pm, Saturday Vigil, St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown 7:30 am, Sunday, St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown, (starting June 26<sup>th</sup>) 9:00 am, Sunday, St. Isaac Jogues, Hague 9:00 am, Sunday, St. James, Church, North Creek 11:00 am, Sunday, St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown

### Weekday Mass Schedule

2:00 pm, Monday, April 25th, Adirondack Tri-County Nursing Home, North Creek No other weekday Masses this week

### Ascension Thursday, May 5th

9:00 am Mass, St. James, North Creek 5:30 pm Mass, St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown

### **Sacrament of Reconciliation**

By Appointment or-Saturday at 5:00 pm at Parish Center, Chestertown Sunday at 8:00 am at Parish Center, North Creek

#### **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 494-5229 ext. 34

## GROWTH OF THE EARLY CHURCH!

The Acts of the Apostles tell of the growth of the early church, which was not without struggle, suffering and martyrdom. At the heart of the story is the call of mutual, life-giving love. Revelation promises a new heaven, a new earth, a new order in which God will wipe all tears away. Copyright, Celebration 2016

# Bishop's Appeal

We will soon begin the 62<sup>nd</sup> Annual Bishop's Appeal. This year's theme is "His Mercy Endures Forever." Your gifts help to fund vocations, ministries, programs and offices of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Albany. A letter addressing this appeal will be forthcoming.

# We Need Your Talents!

Can you be a Greeter, Eucharistic Minister, Lector or Counter? We are inviting you to join our Liturgical Ministries. We are inviting you to care and minister. Contact Fr. John or Barb or call the office.

## **Cluster News**

**Vocation Summit:** May 7<sup>th</sup>, at the Shrine of the North American Martyrs in Auriesville, from 9 am to 3 pm. This Summit is for Catholics interested in helping to promote vocations. Flyers and registration forms are available in the back of the church.

**Second Collection:** Special Emergency Collection for 2015-2016 Calamities, weekend of May 8<sup>th</sup>. Pastoral Council Meeting: Monday, May 9<sup>th</sup>, 6 pm, St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown

#### SPRING ENRICHMENT 2016

God Always Knocks on the Doors of Our Hearts College of Saint Rose in Albany Wednesday, May 18th - May 20th

In addition to the main site at the College of Saint Rose, on May 21st the program will move to Bishop Maginn High School in Albany and to four regional sites: Our Lady of the Annunciation Parish in Queensbury, St. Henry's Parish in Averill Park, St. Francis de Sales School in Herkimer and St. Mary's Parish in Oneonta. The program consists of a series of courses, workshops and keynote addresses on various aspects of faith. Spring Enrichment is targeted to catechists, youth ministers, teachers and anyone in parish ministries and other aspects of Church life. This year's theme, "God always knocks on the doors of our hearts" is a line from Pope Francis' remarks last September at the World Meeting of Families in Philadelphia. www.rcda.org/springenrichment

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

Annual Gala: Friday, April 29th: Hiland Park Country Club, "Spotlight on Broadway." Come and enjoy dinner, robust silent and live auctions, and toe-tapping entertainment. Broadway show tunes will be featured. Tickets are \$65 and must be reserved. For reservations, please contact Sally Lemery, 793-7409 or you may download an invitation at <a href="www.northcountryministry.org">www.northcountryministry.org</a>.

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

website: <a href="mailto:www.prioryretreat@yahoo.com">www.prioryretreat@yahoo.com</a> or email: <a href="mailto:www.prioryretreat@yahoo.com">www.prioryretreat@yahoo.com</a>

Into the Woods—A Quiet Spring Weekend Guided/Directed Retreat: Friday, April 29th to late Sunday morning, May 1st: Join us for sacred time on holy ground in the beauty of God's cathedral of nature. Music, scripture, interactive presentations and free time for prayerful pondering. Donation: \$150 includes meals & accommodations – Facilitator: Marge Milanese - Call for more information. **The Art of Being Mindful:** Friday, May 6<sup>th</sup>, 10 am-3 pm: Would you like to become more "mindful," more intentional, to live more fully in the present moment? Lean to be more mindful in eating, walking, listening, and meditating.

Pat Mousaw, Megan Seeley RYT – \$35 brown bag lunch **Garage Sale:** Friday, July 15<sup>th</sup> from 1-4:00 pm and Saturday, July 16<sup>th</sup> from 9-3:00 pm. Please take time to clean out your homes, attics and basements and donate items in good condition that you no longer can use. We are available to accept your donations on Wednesday afternoons from 1-3 at the Priory. Please call to make certain someone is available to receive the items. REMINDER: We do not take televisions, microwaves, mattresses, cassette tapes, computers, big exercise equipment, satellite dishes, baby cribs, windows and screens and encyclopedias. Thank you for your generosity. Help is also needed with the activities at the sale. Call or email if you are able to help.

### ST. JAMES CHURCH:

First Holy Communion: Pray for Lexi and Hannah Sharp as they prepare for their First Eucharist at 8:30 am Mass on Sunday, May 8th. A reception will follow, and we are inviting you to join us for 10 or 15 minutes to congratulate these two young ladies and their family on this joyous occasion.

National Day of Prayer: The ecumenical churches are uniting for a prayer service in honor of National Day of Prayer, Thursday, May 5<sup>th</sup>, 12 Noon, at the steps of Tannery Pond.

Readers, Greeters and Eucharistic Ministers: See Karen after Mass for the May schedule.

**Second Collection:** Weekend of May 1<sup>st</sup>, North Country Ministry.

**Offertory Collection:** Weekend of April 17<sup>th</sup>: \$456

### ST. ISAAC JOGUES:

First Holy Communion: Pray for Connor Clench-Matteo and Coleman Swartz as they prepare for their First Eucharist at 5:30 pm Mass on Saturday, May 7<sup>th</sup>. A reception will follow in the Parish

We are opening our doors and our hearts for the return of our Hague families on May 29<sup>th</sup>. Together we will worship, hear God's words and celebrate the beauty of the Mass and the Adirondacks during these summer months at 9:00 am Mass every Sunday. Welcome!

**Offertory Collection:** Weekend of April 17<sup>th</sup>: \$1070