Northern Points Cluster Bulletin Rev. John O'Kane, Pastor of the Parishes of St. James & St. Isaac Jogues Barbara Carlozzi, Pastoral Associate of Parish Life Sixth Sunday of Easter, May 1, 2016

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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 29th)

5:30 pm, Saturday Vigil, St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown 7:30 am, Sunday, St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown, (starting June 26th) 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, May 2nd, Adirondack Tri-County Nursing Home, North Creek

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

JESUS PROMISES THE HOLY SPIRIT

Jesus prepared his followers for his departure by promising them the Holy Spirit. It was not an easy transition, but they knew they were responsible for keeping his vision alive. They discerned, accommodated, made judgments and acted on the strength of their deep faith, just as we must continue to do. *Copyright, Celebration 2016*

Bishop's Appeal

We will soon begin the 62nd 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.

Cluster News

Sisters and Sobriety, an Alcoholics Anonymous literature and discussion group (for women only), will be held each Thursday evening in the Parish Center of St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown, from 7:30 pm to 8:30 pm, beginning May 5th.

An open discussion Alcoholics Anonymous group will continue to meet each Friday evening, from 8 pm to 9 pm, in the Parish Center of St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown.

Vocation Summit: May 7th, 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 8th. Pastoral Council Meeting: Monday, May 9th, 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)

Volunteers are always needed for NCM programs.

Priory News (518-494-3733

website: <u>www.prioryretreathouse.org</u> or email: <u>www.prioryretreat@yahoo.com</u> **The Art of Being Mindful:** *Friday, May 6th, 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 15th from 1-4:00 pm and Saturday, July 16th from 9-3:00 pm. (Reminder: only Friday and Saturday, no Sunday hours). 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 5th, 12 Noon, at the steps of Tannery Pond. Memorial Day Remembrance: A Memorial Mass will be held at 9 am on Monday, May 30th. All lives will be remembered, especially those in St. James Cemetery and in our Book of Life. Offertory Collection: Weekend of April 24th: \$543

ST. ISAAC JOGUES:

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

We are opening our doors and our hearts for the return of our Hague families on May 29th. 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 24th: \$1206