Northern Points Cluster Bulletin

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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, on All Souls Day and the entire month of November.

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday, 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

Weekday Schedule

9:00 am Mass, Tuesday, October 27th, St. James, North Creek 9:00 am Mass, Wednesday, October 28th, St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown

Reconciliation

Saturdays at 5 pm at Parish Center, Chestertown, or by appointment

Hospital Visits

Please contact Fr. John if a family member is hospitalized or in a nursing home

Preparation for Baptism and Marriage

Please call Fr. John at 494-5229 ext. 34

MUSTER SOME FAITH!

With healthy food and miracle grains all the rage, it should not surprise us to learn that the venerable mustard seed has been discovered to be an excellent source of all sorts of nutrients, minerals, and vitamins. But long before we focused on their benefits for our physical health, Jesus focused on their benefit to spiritual health. Is your faith in God at least as strong as your faith in antioxidants? It's OK to start small—look at all the tiny mustard seed accomplishes! Copyright: TrueQuest Communications, 2015

FALL FROLIC!

It all happened! Fantastic fellowship and camaraderie was evident throughout the day last Sunday, October 18th. A sincere "thank you" to all who helped make our annual Fall Frolic a HUGE success! With all the venues, the dollar amount our parish realized is \$10,508.

Congratulations to our raffle winners: Karen Smith, 1^{st} prize; Michael Corey, Eileen DeSalvio, Susan Atwell, 2^{nd} prize; Patricia & John Malone, 3^{rd} prize.

Fall The nineteen baskets in our Chinese Auction were amazing, and they were excitedly received. Thank you to those who put so much time and energy into the success of this Auction. A very special thank you is extended to all our vendors whose contributions of gift cards and/or merchandise enhanced each and every basket. Please support them by frequenting them.

Again, the musical talents of Patty Corey, Al Tolomeo, Greg Brown and Frank Conti entertained us continuously. We tapped our feet, sang, danced and enjoyed it all! We were blessed with excellent food and great service at Jimbo's. The fantastic success of this fund raiser will help to maintain our church community. We did frolic! Save the date: Sunday, October 16, 2016!



"Where

our treasure is

There your heart will be

also.



FOR EVERYTHING THERE IS A SEASON!

"It is my time to say goodbye and initiate another dimension of my life as I join my motherhouse community." For those of you who may have missed Sr. Fran Husselbeck's address...

Convent of Sisters of Mercy; 634 New Scotland Ave., #311; Albany, NY 12208

Cluster News

Youth Ministry: Classes continue for this group this weekend.

Confirmation: Sunday, December 6th, 3 pm, St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown. A reception will follow in the Parish Center. Can you help us plan this reception? A planning meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 26th, at 5 pm. A retreat for our Confirmandi will take place on Wednesday, November 11th from 3 to 7 pm, at The Priory. The facilitator is Pat Mousaw.

Homebound: Those ministers, who are now bringing communion to any homebound parishioner(s), please touch base with the office with the name(s) of the individual(s). Also, we are reaching out to anyone homebound who would like to have Communion brought to them. Please contact the office and arrangements will be made to do so. It is rewarding to know that our Parish Community is receiving the Body and Blood of Christ on a regular basis.

All Saints Day: Sunday, November 1st – There will only be one collection on All Saints Day. **Chestertown AA:** We are pleased to welcome the Chestertown AA Friday Night Open Discussion Group meeting to our Parish Hall. The first meeting will be Friday, October 30th. The meeting hours are 8 pm to 9 pm. Additional information on this meeting and all area AA meetings can be found by going to their website http://district 13.aahmbny.org/
See the flyer in the back of the church **Bishop's Appeal: Reminder** – Please be sure to make your pledged payments. This year's appeal closes in March 2016.

Virtus: Training session at St. Cecilia, 3802 Main Street, Warrensburg, Monday, November 2nd, at 1 pm. To register, call 744-9241 or on line at www.rcda.org

North Country Ministry (Jill Harrington, 251-4460 or 623-2829)

Baby's Place: Come to a Play Group: Babies & toddlers (newborn through age 3) accompanied by a parent or other responsible adult; play and socializing for children & adults; the first, second and third Tuesdays of each month of the school year; from 10 am until 11:30 am; at the Adirondack Community outreach Center on Route 28 (between North Creek and Wevertown); no charge. Call Thersa at 251-4460 for more information

Winter Clothing: Winter clothing is needed for boys, 9 months to 3 years, North Creek location. **Bike Helmet Giveaway:** Ages 1-14: call 623-2829 for additional information.

Priory News (518-494-3733

website: www.prioryretreathouse.org or email: www.prioryretreat@yahoo.com **Book Group:** The Joy of the Gospel by Pope Francis – Part 1: Saturdays, October 31st,

December 12th and January 9th, 10 am – 3 pm: Here is your invitation from Pope Francis! "I invite all Christians, everywhere, at this very moment, to a renewed personal encounter with Jesus Christ, or at least openness to letting him encounter them." Connie Messitt, CSJ Donation: \$45-\$55

ST. JAMES CHURCH:

Bishop's Appeal: We have reached our goal! I am sincerely appreciative of your continued support and generosity. Thank you!

Religious Education: Classes continue on Mondays for our grade school children, who will be bussed from school. We are excited to be sharing our faith with our young people.

Second Collection: North Country Ministry, weekend of November 1st.

Readers, Greeters & Eucharistic Ministers: See Karen after Mass to set the November schedule.

October 18th: \$590 **Offertory Collection:**

ST. ISAAC JOGUES:

Religious Education: The next Children's Mass is Sunday, November 1st, at 10 am. Coffee hour will follow in the Parish Center.

Annual Christmas Cantata: Rehearsals for the annual Christmas Cantata, Behold the Glory, are ongoing on Wednesdays, at 7 pm, in the Community United Methodist Church in Chestertown. Come, sing and welcome in the Christmas season! The performances are December 12th & 13th.

Food Baskets: Our Food Basket ministry is continuing to accept donations of food and money as Thanksgiving approaches. Your donations will help to provide food baskets for local families in need. Money or non-perishable food donations can be left in the container near the church entrance. There is a need for any and all canned goods and non-perishable food, especially fruits and vegetables, dry and canned soups and canned tuna. Can you help? Call John at 494-4398.

Wedding Congratulations: Congratulations to Heather Kurilla and Bryan Schuerlein, married on Saturday, October 17th. May God continue to bless Heather and Bryan as they begin their married life.

Congratulations to Cathya Olivas and John Michels, married on Saturday, October 10th. May God continue to bless Cathya and John as they begin their married life.

October 18th: \$1624 **Offertory Collection:**