

## ***Northern Points Cluster Bulletin***

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***Fourth Sunday of Easter, April 17, 2016***

***World Day of Prayer for Vocations***

### **Parish of St. Isaac Jogues**

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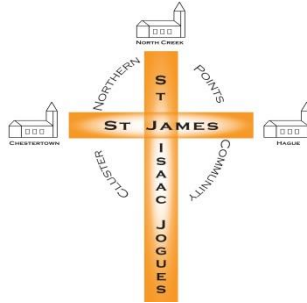
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### **Weekend Mass Schedule**

***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**

### **Weekday Mass Schedule**

***2:00 pm, Monday, April 18<sup>th</sup>, Adirondack Tri-County Nursing Home, North Creek***

***9:00 am, Wednesday, April 20<sup>th</sup>, St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown***

### **Ascension Thursday, May 5<sup>th</sup>**

***9:00 am Mass, St. James, North Creek***

***5:30 pm Mass, St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown***

### **Sacrament of Reconciliation**

***By Appointment or—***

***Saturdays 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***

**Please notify Fr. John** if you would like him to make a hospital visit, home visit or a nursing home visit. Also, if you would like to include someone’s name on the sick list or deceased list of the Prayers of the Faithful, notify the office and that name will be remembered and prayed for at Mass.

### **Preparation for Baptism and Marriage**

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

## **LIVE THE GOSPEL!**

The apostles endured much to preach the Gospel. We don’t have to face the suffering they did, or undergo the hardships of persecuted Christians in some areas of the world today. Our challenge is to know how to live the Gospel in a secular age. We rely on the same Shepherd who guided them and now guides us. *Copyright, Celebration 2016*

## ***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

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

### SPRING ENRICHMENT 2016

*God Always Knocks on the Doors of Our Hearts*

*College of Saint Rose in Albany*

*Wednesday, May 18<sup>th</sup> - May 20<sup>th</sup>*

In addition to the main site at the College of Saint Rose, on May 21<sup>st</sup> the program will move to Bishop Maginn High School in Albany and to four regional sites: St. Henry's Parish in Averill Park, Our Lady of the Annunciation Parish in Queensbury, 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](http://www.rcda.org/springenrichment)

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

**Annual Gala:** Friday, April 29<sup>th</sup>: 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 in advance. For reservations, please contact Sally Lemery at 793-7409 or you may download an invitation from our web site at [www.northcountryministry.org](http://www.northcountryministry.org).

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

website: [www.prioryretreathouse.org](http://www.prioryretreathouse.org) or email: [www.prioryretreat@yahoo.com](mailto:www.prioryretreat@yahoo.com)

**Into the Woods—A Quiet Spring Weekend Guided/Directed Retreat:** *Friday, April 29<sup>th</sup> to late Sunday morning, May 1<sup>st</sup>:* 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 and for optional spiritual direction will complete the retreat!

*Donation: \$150 includes meals & accommodations – Facilitator: Marge Milanese - Call for more information*

**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:** Please pray for our children as they prepare for their First Eucharist at 8:30 am Mass on Sunday, May 8<sup>th</sup>.

**Offertory Collection:** Weekend of April 10<sup>th</sup>: \$854

## ST. ISAAC JOGUES:

**First Holy Communion:** Please pray for our children as they prepare for their First Eucharist at 5:30 pm Mass on Saturday, May 7<sup>th</sup>.

**Offertory Collection:** Weekend of April 10<sup>th</sup>: \$2495