

Northern Points Cluster Bulletin

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23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time, September 8, 2019

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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

5:30 pm, Saturday Vigil, St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown

9:00 am, Sunday, St. James Church, North Creek

11:00 am, Sunday, St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown

Mass at one of our Sister churches? Please designate your offertory for your own Parish.

Weekday Masses, September 2-6, 2019

1:30 pm, Monday, September 2nd Elderwood at North Creek

No other weekday Masses

Weekday Mass Schedule, September 9-13, 2019

1:30 pm, Monday, September 9th, Elderwood at North Creek

9:00 am, Tuesday, September 10th, St. James, North Creek

5:15 pm, Wednesday, September 11th, St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown

Mass Changes

Weekend of October 19th & 20th, 5:30 pm Vigil & 9:30 am, St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown

Sunday, October 20th, 8:00 am, St. James, North Creek

Sunday, October 20th, 11:00 am, Blessed Sacrament, Bolton Landing

Hospital Visits

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

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 5:00pm, St. Isaac Jogues, Parish Center, Chestertown

or by appointment

Preparation for Baptism and Marriage

Please contact Fr. John @ 518-824-1181

ENTRY TO THE KINGDOM!

We are told in the gospel today that Jesus tells a parable. “Everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles himself will be exalted.” The key is not what one does, but who one is. A humble person naturally chooses the lowest position, not wishing to draw attention to herself. Sometimes this leads to acclaim. Sometimes it just means that the humble are not as visible as those who would like to be exalted. Even if the world does not notice the humble, we know that God’s eye is trained upon them, as ours should be.

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RE-IGNITING OUR FAITH!

Keep in prayer this continuing Campaign. If you have not yet participated, please consider pledging or donating. The Holy Spirit is calling us to become aware of our needs in our beautiful churches, in our Cluster, and in our Diocese. Remember, we are doing together what we cannot do alone. May God bless us as we continue to “Re-Ignite our Faith!”

Fr. John O’Kane

Cluster News

Please Remember Us: Those of you who are returning or will be returning to your winter residences would you consider remembering your North Country family once a month with a donation? Or perhaps a Christmas & Easter Offertory? We are forever grateful for who you are and what you do for us. We ask that you pray for us, meeting our obligations in a rural parish is not easy. God Bless and may you have a happy, healthy year!

Youth Ministry: Youth Ministry will begin with a Youth Mass on Saturday, September 14th at 5:30 pm. The Confirmandi's will sign their Covenant for their Confirmation Preparation in front of the Parish. Following the Mass, the Youth are invited to the Parish Center to have Hot Dogs & Hamburgers. Please bring a dish to share.

There will be a retreat for our teens on Monday, October 14th from 2-6 pm at St. Isaac Jogues in Chestertown.

Child Victims Act: See the statement from the Diocese of Albany regarding the Child Victims Act.

Online Giving: A safe and convenient way to make weekly offertory and special collections and contributions.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter: Put God first in your marriage by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next weekends are October 18-20, 2019 in Albany, NY and November 1-3, 2019 in Manchester, CT. For more information, call Pat & MaryJo McLaughlin at 860-315-2127 or visit them at <https://www.mectw.org/>.

Confirmation: Sunday, November 17th, 2:00 pm, St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown

ST. JAMES

Grade School: The Grade School program will begin Monday, September 9th. If you know of any Kindergartener or anyone who would like to register, please call the office.

Bishop's Appeal: The assessment for St. James this year is \$9,399. This is a reduction of \$392 from last year. We have collected \$5,125 (33 gifts) to date. Remember, let us strive for 100% participation; not equal gifts, but equal sacrifice! God Bless you for your generosity, commitment & support always. We have reached 55%!

Re-Igniting Our Faith: We are in the midst of our Capital Campaign and I am pleased to report that we currently have enough to go forth with replacing our church furnace before winter falls. With 23 pledges to date, we have reached a total of \$32,125! This is 38% of our goal of \$85,000. Thank you to those who have pledged or donated.

2nd Collection: September 1st: Upkeep Cemetery Fund

Readers, Greeters, Eucharistic Ministers: See Karen or Joyce following Mass to set the September schedule.

Bake Sale: Sunday, October 6th: The religious education programs in our Cluster benefit from this cake sale. Please consider baking your favorite recipe.

Mass Intentions: Sunday, 9/08 People of the Parish 9:00 am
Sunday, 9/15 People of the Parish 9:00 am

ST. ISAAC JOGUES

Hague: We bid a fond and loving adieu to our Hague family. Although next Saturday we will be celebrating the life of Bill Pelkey at 11 am, here at St. Isaac Jogues, Hague. Please join us if you can. A Reception will follow in the Community Center across the street. We look forward to seeing you all next year!

Patty Corey's Retirement Party: Please join us Wednesday, September 11th after the 5:15 pm daily Mass to plan a reception(s) for Patty Corey. Meeting will start no later than 5:45 pm.

Grade School: Religious Education will start on Wednesday, September 11th. If you know of a Kindergartener or anyone who would like to register, please call the office. The 1st Youth Mass will be Saturday, September 14th at the 5:30 pm Mass. Following the Mass, the Youth and their families are welcomed to join us for Hot Dogs & Hamburgers. Please bring a dish to share.

Bishop's Appeal: The assessment for St. Isaac Jogues this year is \$24,439. This is a reduction of \$1,018 from last year. We have collected \$18,355 (73 gifts) to date. Let us strive for 100% participation; not equal gifts, but equal sacrifice! God Bless you for your generosity, commitment & support always. We have reached 76%!

Re-Igniting Our Faith: With your continued generosity, our current total of pledges and donations is \$131,710! Plans are underway to demolish and rebuild the concrete steps at the entrance to the church beginning October 1st. Two more window locations are scheduled for repair by All in Glass! If you would like to visit All in Glass to see this amazing restoration process, please call the office. Some of the recent donations were a result of parishioners speaking with their financial advisors and determining they could donate by using retirement funds or other distributions. It is not too late to donate or pledge. Thank you to those who have.

Fall Frolic: Sunday, September 29th, Forest Lake Camp, from 3:00 pm to 6:00 pm! What a wonderful way to kick off the fall season. Last year was great, and this year can be great! Raffle tickets are available for \$100 each. Only 175 tickets will be sold. Some of our parishioner's have acquired gift certificates for the Chinese Auction from vendors that they frequent. If you have a favorite place to eat or shop, consider asking for a donation to help support our Fall Frolic. Donations are still being accepted thru September 14th & 15th for our Chinese Auction.

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Sunday, 9/08 People of the Parish 11:00 am
Saturday, 9/14 People of the Parish 5:30 pm
Sunday, 9/15 People of the Parish 11:00 am