

Northern Points Cluster Bulletin

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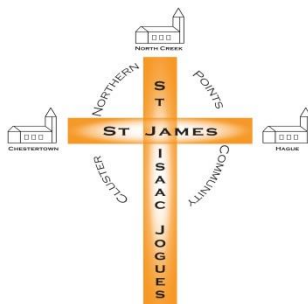
28th Sunday in Ordinary Time, October 11, 2015

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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,
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

No weekday Mass in St. James, North Creek

9:00 am Mass, Wednesday, October 14th, 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

QUESTIONS TO JESUS!

We ought to be careful about putting a question to Jesus if we are not ready to hear his answer! If we approach Jesus and ask him what more do we need to do to gain eternal Life, he will tell us in no uncertain terms. Will we hold back from Jesus lest he tell us the "one thing" yet lacking in our lives? Do we choose the bliss of ignorance or the joy of hearing Jesus invite us to follow him and inherit eternal Life?

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FALL FROLIC!

HEAR YE, HEAR YE! GET YOUR RAFFLE AND/OR DINNER TICKETS!

The day is fast approaching! Sunday, October 18th, Jimbo's, 1 to 4 pm! Raffle Tickets are still available! Tickets are \$100, and only 200 tickets will be sold. First prize is 25% of the number of tickets sold; second prize is 15% of the number of tickets sold; third prize is 10% of the number of tickets sold. Remember, you can't win if you don't take a chance! Winners need not be present to claim a prize.

Dinner tickets are also available at \$20 for adults and \$10 for children. Come and enjoy the wonderful pasta and sauces! Come and enjoy the swinging music of our own Patty Corey and Al Tolomeo, plus two other musicians! Wear your dancing shoes! Have fun with our Chinese Auction! Our baskets are always beautiful! Bring your stick-on address labels to place on the Chinese Auction tickets!

Frolic! Frolic! Frolic!

Time Change: Weekend of November 1st! Fall Back!



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

AUTUMN DIOCESAN GATHERING

Register for the Autumn Diocesan Gathering - *At the Door of Mercy...Ask Jesus What He Wants of You!* Bishop Ed is looking forward to being with you and your fellow disciples on Saturday, October 24th at LaSalle Institute, Troy/North Greenbush, as we prepare to celebrate the Jubilee Year of Mercy! You won’t want to miss this year’s prayer, keynote, workshops, and more! Registration deadline is Wednesday, October 21st. The brochure/registration form appeared in *The Evangelist* on September 24th or go to www.autumngathering.org. Further information is available from the Office of Lay Ministry Formation (518) 453-6670. An informational flyer and registration form is also available in the back of the church.

Cluster News

Youth Ministry: No classes this weekend.

Confirmation: The date for this Sacrament is Sunday, December 6th, at 3 pm, in St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown. ***A reception will follow in the Parish Center. Can you help us plan this reception? Please call the Parish Office.*** A retreat for our Confirmandi will take place on Wednesday, November 11th from 3 to 7 pm, at The Priory. The facilitator for the retreat 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 those individuals. 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.

Second Collection: Weekend of October 18th – World Mission Sunday – ...we share each other’s joys, and we embrace each other’s needs.” Please be generous with both your prayers and your financial assistance.

Diocesan Marriage Enrichment Retreat for married couples, October 24th. Call Tony and Joan, 518-399-5406 for details.

All Saints Day: Sunday, November 1st – There will only be one collection on All Saints Day.

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

Baby’s Place in North Creek is open Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 10 am to 1 pm. The Playgroup needs a new director and that group meets on the first three Tuesdays of each month. This is a volunteer position and ideal for a retired teacher. If you are interested, please contact Jill Harrington at leavenhouse2@frontier.com or call 251-4460 for more information.

Winter Clothing: 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

A Soul Collage Weekend Retreat: *Saturday, October 17th, 10 am, Sunday, October 18th, 3 pm:* A deeply satisfying nurturing, self-discovery process combining imagery with imagination and intuition. *Joan Palmer* Donation: \$139 (includes materials)

The Spirit of God Alive Within the Universe: *Friday, October 23rd, 5 pm – Sunday, October 25th, Noon:* A quiet/guided retreat using media, Sacred Scripture, and Pope Francis’ Encyclical on the Environment. *Marge Milanese, M.Ed.* Donation: \$130-\$140

ST. JAMES CHURCH:

Bishop’s Appeal: We are almost there! We are only short \$294! No donation is too small!

Thank you for your continued support and generosity. *On-line donations - www.TheBishopsAppeal.org*

Religious Education: Classes resume on Monday, October 19th for our grade school children, who will be bussed from school. We are excited to be sharing our faith with our young people.

Remember to come into the building when picking up your children.

Offertory Collection: October 4th: \$1006

ST. ISAAC JOGUES:

Religious Education: Classes are ongoing for our grade school children. 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, starting October 14th, at 7 pm, in the Community United Methodist Church in Chestertown. Would you like to sing and welcome in the Christmas season? Make a joyful noise unto the Lord! Please come and participate with others in the community for these performances on December 12th & 13th.

Food Baskets: As in the past, our parish will work in cooperation with the Chester Food Pantry to provide holiday food baskets for needy families in our area. Food and/or money donations are needed for us to pack & deliver baskets to 25 families for Thanksgiving & Christmas. Place non-perishable food donations in the container at the entrance of the church, and money donations in the box provided in the container. Can you help the food basket team? Call John at 494-4398.

Workbook for Lectors: Please pick up your copy of the 2016 *Workbook for Lectors* at the Parish Office or in the Sacristy.

Offertory Collection: October 4th: \$2379