

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

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***Third Sunday of Advent, December 11, 2016***

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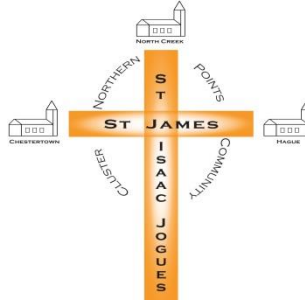
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### **ESTATE PLANNING**

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**

*Saturday Vigil, 4:00 pm, St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown*

*Saturday Vigil, 5:30 pm, St. James, North Creek*

*Sunday, 8:00 am, St. James Church, North Creek*

*Sunday, 9:30 am, St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown*

*Sunday, 11:00 am, Blessed Sacrament, Bolton Landing*

**Reminder: When you go to one of our sister churches, please designate your offertory for your own parish**

### **Weekday Mass Schedule**

*Monday, 2:00 pm, December 12<sup>th</sup>, Adirondack Tri-County Nursing Home, North Creek  
with the Sacrament of the Sick*

*Wednesday, 9:00 am, December 14<sup>th</sup>, St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown*

### **Cluster Mass with the Sacrament of the Sick**

*Monday, December 19<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 pm, St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown*

### **Christmas Eve Mass Schedule**

*4:00 pm, Family Mass, St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown*

*6:00 pm, Blessed Sacrament, Bolton Landing*

*7:30 pm, St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown*

*9:30 pm, St. James, North Creek*

*Carols will be sung ½ hour before the 7:30 pm & 9:30 pm Masses*

### **Christmas Day Mass Schedule**

*9:30 am, St. James, North Creek*

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

### **New Year's Eve & Day Mass Schedule**

*(Feast of Mary, Mother of God)*

*Saturday Vigil, 4:00 pm, St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown*

*Saturday Vigil, 5:30 pm, St. James, North Creek*

*Sunday, 8:00 am, St. James Church, North Creek*

*Sunday, 9:30 am, St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown*

*Sunday, 11:00 am, Blessed Sacrament, Bolton Landing*

### **Sacrament of Reconciliation**

*By appointment*

### **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 824-1181*

### **JESUS' PRESENCE!**

We are still waiting for the world we long to see. Like our ancient ancestors, we yearn for peace and justice, healing, and restoration. Today we are told that the signs of Jesus' presence are all around us, if we know how to see them. We hear in the Gospel the signs we are to look for, especially when we are distracted or doubtful, confused or disappointed. The good news is that there is even more to come. We live in an impatient world, but today we are told: "Be patient!"

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## Cluster News

**Second Collection:** North Country Ministry: January 1, 2017

**Homebound:** Please contact Fr. John if you would like him to make a visit to any one homebound.

**RCIA:** If you know someone who has left the church or would like to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation, or if you know someone who would like to know more about becoming a Catholic, please call the office. An evening of inquiry will be set up.

**Youth Ministry:** The group will sing Christmas Carols at the Adirondack Tri-County Nursing home in North Creek on Sunday, December 18<sup>th</sup>, at 5 pm.

**Giving Tree:** Please be sure to return your gift, wrapped and with the tag secured on the front of the gift, by the weekend of December 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup>.

**Pastoral Council Meeting:** Monday, December 12<sup>th</sup>, 5 pm, St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown

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

**Baby's Place Play Group:** The Baby's Place Play Group of North Country Ministry meets on the first three Tuesdays of the month from 10:00 to 11:30, at the Adirondack Community Outreach Center, 2718 Route 28, North Creek. Children from newborn through age 3 and their caregivers are welcome to attend FREE of charge. Questions: 251-4460.

**Holiday Cards:** Holiday cards are being offered as a special gift alternative to honor family, friends, and business associates. The inside message conveys the unique gift you have made in the recipient's name and each card is printed on quality paper with an enclosed envelope. *See the flyer.*

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

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

**Thank you** for your generous donations to the special collection for the support of The Priory Retreat House! Your support is greatly appreciated. May Christ be in your midst and his peace be with you always. You are always welcome at the house. God Bless, Dustin Katona

**Morning Mindfulness:** Saturday, January 7<sup>th</sup>, 9 am-noon: Come, be still, and connect to your inner self through a gentle yoga sequence and mindfulness-based meditation practice.

*Melissa Wilson & Megan Seeley \$50/person*

## **ST. JAMES CHURCH:**

**Bishop's Appeal:** As of this date, we need \$1644. This puts us at 86% of the obligation. Fr. John will be reaching out through phone calls to those who have not yet contributed.

**Save the Date:** Sunday, January 29<sup>th</sup> – Our Golden Opportunity Raffle – Buffet – Basil & Wicks – 1 pm to 4 pm – Raffle Tickets are \$100! More to follow!

**Mass Intentions:** Saturday, 12/17 The People of the Parish 5:30 pm  
Sunday, 12/18 Russ Raymond Req. G. Raymond 8:00 am

**Offertory Collections:** Weekend of 12/04/2016: \$904 11/29/2015: \$944

## **ST. ISAAC JOGUES:**

**Christmas Food Baskets:** Thank you to everyone who donated so generously to fill the Christmas food baskets. We will be packing the baskets in the Parish Center on Friday, December 16<sup>th</sup>, at 3 pm. Can you help. Call John at 494-4398.

**Rehearsal for Christmas Pageant:** Dress rehearsal, Saturday, December 17<sup>th</sup>, 9:15 am

**Mass Intentions:** Saturday, 12/17 Charlotte Chidsey Req. K. DeBartolo 4 pm  
Saturday, 12/17 Frank Dower Req. K. DeBartolo 4 pm

**Offertory Collections:** Weekend of 12/04/2016 \$1958 11/29/2015: \$1693

