

Northern Points Cluster Bulletin

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3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time, January 22, 2012

Parish of St. Isaac Jogues Office

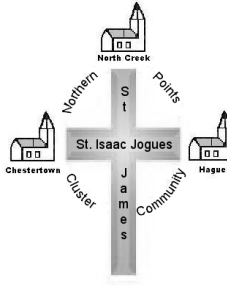
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St. James Church

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North Creek, NY 12853

518-251-2518

Northern Points Cluster Website: www.northernpointscluster.org

Weekday Mass Schedule

2:00 pm, Liturgy, Monday: Adirondack Tri-County Nursing Home, North Creek

9:00 am, Mass, Tuesday: St. Isaac Jogues Parish Center, Chestertown

9:00 am, Mass, Wednesday: St. James Parish Center, North Creek

Reminder: There is no Daily Mass when school is canceled or delayed

Weekend Mass Schedule

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

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

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

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

Hospital Visits & Sacrament of Reconciliation: by appointment

Please notify Fr. John and Sr. Fran if a family member is hospitalized so that they may visit the individual

Preparation for Baptism and Marriage

St. Isaac Jogues, please call Fr. John O’Kane at 494-5229 ext 34

St. James, please call Sr. Fran Husselbeck at 251-1518

CALLED TO SEE THINGS GOD’S WAY



Our first reading (Jo 3:1-5, 10) is all about the people of Nineveh turning around and living the way God has called them to live. Paul, in the 2nd reading (I Cor.7:29-31), also in his very dramatic way says that God’s people must right now be sure they are going the way that God has called them. In the Gospel (Mark1:14-23), Jesus calls Simon and Andrew to follow him and help others to walk the way of the Lord. In each reading, we hear the word repent. In its most basic definition, it means to turn around and go the right way. To God’s people, it means to turn around and go God’s way. Jesus, in today’s Gospel, calls the fishermen to turn around and follow him and not only live the good news but to share it with others.

In some sense, I know in sharing this with you, I am preaching to the choir. Surely, all of you try to follow Jesus on this wonderful journey. But like me, some of you get distracted and dilly-dally along. Busyness alone becomes a preoccupation. Life itself can be distracting. So now is “the time of fulfillment. The kingdom of God is at hand.” Together, let us stop, turn around and look to see how we have detoured off this journey with the Lord. Are we trekking along with Jesus or just trekking along? Sr. Fran

LAST CHANCE!

The 31st Golden Opportunity Raffle

St. James Church

(Support the major fund-raising event for the parish by taking a chance.)

Many people place several names on the same ticket.)

Grand Prize \$10,000

Contribution for raffle ticket: \$100. Gala (turkey dinner) \$22

Only 200 tickets will be available.

Place: The Lodge at Echo Lake. Time - Happy Hour: 6:30 pm (cash bar); Dinner: 7 pm.

Date: January 28, 2012

For tickets and reservations, please call our raffle lady, Joyce Parker at 251-2273.

Thank you for your continuous support



Cluster News

Youth Ministry News: Classes will begin on Sunday and they will now be in the Parish Center of St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown. Please note: Mass will be celebrated on Saturday, February 4th, at St. James in North Creek, at 5:30 pm. The second collection taken up at this Mass is to purchase food cards for the needy in our area. Also, please remember a donation for the food pantry as part of our Souper Bowl tradition. Pizza will be made available for our families. We welcome a dessert.



North Country Ministry (518) 251-4425

Jill Harrington, Director; Br. James Posluszny; Christian Langworthy; Carol Sgorran

The Baby Boutique of North Country Ministry is in need of Lotions, Wipes, Powders and Shampoo.

Priory News

A Day of Reflection for Divorced or Separated Catholics: *Saturday, January 28th, 10 am – 3 pm:* Divorced and separated Catholics may disconnect from prayer, worship and participation in the Catholic community. Join in a day of reflection and prayer and a better understanding. *Deacon Greg & Marianne Zoltowski – Donation \$75*

Hildegard of Bingen – A Woman of Visions: Learn more about Hildegard of Bingen and her relationship with the Divine, experienced through her writings, art and music. *Connie Messitt, CSJ - Free will Offering*

Please call The Priory for details, 494-3733 or email www.prioryretreathouse.org

Leaflets explaining other programs offered by The Priory are available at the back of the church.

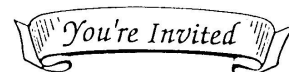
ST. JAMES PARISH

Pastoral Parish Council will meet on Thursday, January 19th, at 7 pm, in the Parish Center. The Finance Committee will meet at 6:30 pm.

Religious Ed News: There are classes today January 22nd and January 29th. For our families that ski, there are no classes in February. We will begin classes again on March 11th.

Save Saturday, January 28th for our wonderful Gala at The Lodge at Echo Lake.

Have you made your reservation? Dinner tickets are \$22 per person.



PARISH OF ST. ISAAC JOGUES

Religious Education: Our children are invited to Circle B Ranch on Wednesday, February 8th, for a two-horse open sleigh ride. Parents and other siblings are most welcome to join in this activity. Hot cocoa and donuts will be available for this fun day. It is important that permission slips be returned to Barbara Carlozzi no later than January 29th. The children will be bussed from the school directly to Circle B, and parents can pick up their youngsters at 4:15 pm at Circle B. If your child is not going to partake of this activity, please keep him/her home for that class. The snow date is February 15th.



Children's Mass: The next Children's Mass will be Saturday, February 11th, at the 4 pm Mass.

Pastoral Council Meeting: The Pastoral Council will meet on Monday, January 23rd, at 6:30 pm, in the Parish Center in St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown.

Reconciliation Meeting: Parents of the second graders who will be receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation will meet with Father John at 4 pm on Wednesday, January 25th, in the Parish Center.

Congratulations and God's Blessings to Timothy Lawrence Hanaburgh for having achieved the rank of Eagle Scout, the highest rank available in Boy Scouts. May our Lord continue to direct Timothy positively along life's path. Congratulations to Timothy's parents and the Troop Leader of Boy Scout Troop 30.

