

Northern Points Cluster Bulletin

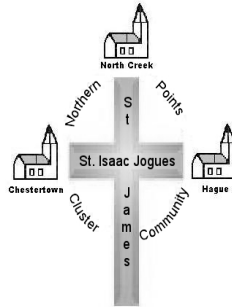
Rev. John O'Kane, Pastor of the Parish of St. Isaac Jogues
Blessed Sacrament Church, Hague and St. John the Baptist Church, Chestertown
Sacramental Minister of St. James Church, North Creek

Sr. Francesca Husselbeck, RSM, Parish Life Director of St. James Church, North Creek
Deacon Bob Wubbenhorst, Deacon Emeritus of St. Isaac Jogues

Barbara Carlozzi, Cluster Coordinator of Youth Ministry and Administrative Assistant at St. Isaac Jogues
Feast of the Baptism of the Lord, January 9th, 2011

Parish of St. Isaac Jogues

Blessed Sacrament & St. John the Baptist
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St. James Church

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North Creek, NY
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Weekend Mass Schedule

4:00 pm Saturday Evening Vigil Mass: St. Isaac Jogues, St. John the Baptist Church, Chestertown
5:30 pm Saturday Evening Vigil Mass: St. James Church, North Creek
8:00 am Sunday: St. James Church, North Creek
9:30 am Sunday: St. Isaac Jogues, St. John the Baptist Church, Chestertown
(St. Isaac Jogues, Blessed Sacrament, Hague will resume Palm Sunday 2011)
(Reminder when you go to one of our sister churches, please designate your offertory collection for your own parish)

Weekday Schedule

9:00 am Mass, Monday: St. Isaac Jogues, St. John the Baptist Church, Chestertown
2:00 pm Liturgy, Monday: Adirondack Tri-County Nursing Home, North Creek
9:00 am Mass, Wednesday: St. James Church, North Creek
Reminder: There is no Daily Mass when school is canceled or delayed

Christmas Thanks and Many New Year Blessings

Today we celebrate the Baptism of the Lord. Jesus did not need to be baptized but He gave Himself to the waters of Baptism before He would begin His ministry of self-giving. By our self-giving we respond to our baptismal call that identifies us with Jesus.

As we end our Christmas Season we have witnessed a lot of self-giving. Our Cluster staff sincerely thanks you for the many ways in which you helped to make this Christmas very uplifting and joyful. A special thanks to Patty Corey, Denise Conti, Deb Reid and our choirs for the beautiful melodies, harmonies, and tones that you proclaimed during our sacred liturgies. Thanks to our catechists who helped prepare our children and youth and to all liturgical ministers for their assistance with the Christmas Liturgies. Our three churches looked beautiful thanks to all who helped decorate them. We heard many compliments from people about our Christmas. I hope I did not forget anyone but if I have I want everyone to know how grateful we are to have each of you to help, participate and attend during our Christmas Season.



Many of our local folks enjoyed Christmas with their families because of your love and generosity through the gifts from the giving trees and food baskets. As we enter 2011 may the Child from Bethlehem bless you and your family with abundance at this time into the New Year. On behalf of Sister Fran and myself thank you again for all your self-giving.

God bless and Happy New Year,
Father John

Cluster News

Sacrament of Reconciliation: by appointment

Hospital Visits

Fr. John and Sr. Fran request that you please let us know
If you or someone in your family is in the hospital so that we may visit them!

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 251-2518

Youth Ministry News: Classes resume January 23rd in Chestertown at the Parish Center at St. Isaac Jogues. During the February vacation we are planning a social event; bring your ideas to class. Saturday, February 5th at St. James we will celebrate our Annual Souper Bowl at the 5:30 Mass.

North Country Ministry

For more information, contact Brother James, Sr. Mary or Caroline at Leaven House 251-4425.
The Baby's Place is in need of Toddler winter coats, boys' 6-9 months long-sleeve shirts, onesies 6-9 months, baby bottles and wipes.

St. James Golden Opportunity Raffle 2011

Letters and raffle tickets are on their way.

Once again for economic reasons, raffle tickets are \$100 each and the Gala will be \$20 per reservation.

As you know only 200 tickets will be sold and the winner will receive \$10,000
The Gala will be a sit-down turkey dinner at the Lodge on Echo Lake on January 29th from 6:30-10:00 pm
For reservations and tickets please call Joyce Parker @ 251-2273
Thank you for your continued support in this 30th year of the raffle.



Priory News

Family Vacation Week Friday: Feb. 11 after 4 pm – Saturday Feb. 19, 10 am

Enjoy a relaxing quiet week together on our mountain, with many winter activities nearby and a warm fire to relax by. Bring your own food. Come stay for a day, a night or two or the entire week!
Donation: \$40/night, Children under 12: \$20/night

ST JAMES PARISH

Elementary Religious Ed: Children will have class today and on January 23rd after Mass.

Johnsburg Meal Site: Drivers are needed to deliver meals. Please stop in at the meal site or call 251-2711 if you can help out.

Pastoral/Parish Council: Meeting January 13th at 7PM in the parish center.

North Country Outreach: Next weekend we will have our annual collection for supporting their good works.

PARISH OF ST. ISAAC JOGUES CHURCHES OF BLESSED SACRAMENT & ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

Elementary Religious Education: There is class this Wednesday. The next scheduled Children's Liturgy will on Sunday, January 16th at 9:30 am. Coffee hour to follow. Our February children's mass will be on the 6th which will include a bake sale.

Italian Night: Saturday January 22nd after the 4 pm Mass. Sign up for your contribution of a favorite Italian dish, dessert or bread in the back of the church. All those who would like to help please join us for a committee meeting on Tuesday, January 11th at 6 pm.