

Northern Points Cluster Bulletin

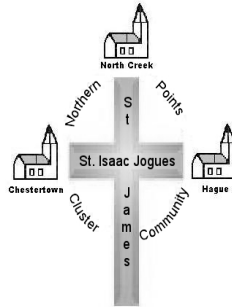
Rev. John O’Kane, Pastor of the Parish of St. Isaac Jogues
Blessed Sacrament Church, Hague and St. John the Baptist Church, Chestertown
Sacramental Minister of St. James Church, North Creek

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

Barbara Carlozzi, Cluster Coordinator of Youth Ministry and Administrative Assistant at St. Isaac Jogues
4th Sunday of Easter, April 25th, 2010

Parish of St. Isaac Jogues

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St. James Church

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North Creek, NY
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Mass Schedule

5:30 pm Saturday Evening Vigil Mass: St. Isaac Jogues, St. John the Baptist Church, Chestertown
8:00 am Sunday: St. James Church, North Creek
9:30 am Sunday: St. Isaac Jogues, St. John the Baptist Church, Chestertown
11:15 am Sunday: St. Isaac Jogues, Blessed Sacrament Church, Hague
(Reminder when you go to one of our sister churches, please designate your offertory collection for your own parish)

Weekday Liturgies

9:00 am Mass, Monday: St. Isaac Jogues, Parish Center, Chestertown
2:00 pm Liturgy, Monday: Adirondack Tri-County Nursing Home
9:00 am Mass, Wednesday: St. James Parish Center, North Creek

Cradled In the Arms of the Good Shepherd

For the last week, I have had the wonderful opportunity to just relax with God on a silent retreat. I spent a great deal of the time on the high rocks overlooking the sea at Eastern Point in Gloucester. From my perch, I was enthralled with magnificent sunrises. It was a continuous experience of Easter because as the sun was rising, the dynamic presence of the “Son” rising imbued the whole milieu. Being at these restful waters and having my soul restored, easily lead me to BE with Jesus our Good Shepherd. I felt cradled like a sheep in his arms, as he himself was enfolded in the arms of his Father and the Spirit. With me nestled and cradled in this special place was each one of you . . . for you also have heard his voice and followed him.

Good Shepherd Sunday’s Liturgy helps us to focus on our unique call to follow him. It is a special time to reflect on how he is with us in our ministries and will not let harm come to us as we work with him doing the Father’s work. In a ceremony this Sunday many of our women are being singled out for recognition for their example and service. We congratulate them and are very proud of them

It is also important that we are mindful that our parish ministries are just a part of our total commitment to serve the Lord. Each of us whether we are married, single, priest or religious have heard the Shepherd’s voice and have allowed him to lead us in the paths of our own special vocations. On this Sunday, as we image ourselves cradled in the arms of the Good Shepherd, let us pray for our young people who are seeking out their paths (vocations). May we support and encourage them so that they also will find their way to the Risen Lord’s “green pastures and restful waters.”

Sr. Fran

Cluster News

Sacrament of Reconciliation: by appointment

Preparation for Baptism and Marriage

St. Isaac Jogues, please call Fr. John O'Kane at 494-5229 ext 34
for St. James, Sr. Fran Husselbeck at 251-2518

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!



Save the Date: Spring Enrichment, May 10th thru May 13th.

Whatever your ministry or interest in faith development, there is a workshop of value.
Descriptions and registration forms are in the back of the Church.

Youth Ministry News: Retreat to be held this Sunday at St. Isaac Jogues in Hague following the 11:15 am Mass. *** Classes have ended. Stay tuned for summer events**



Saying yes to God

Our diocese annually recognizes women who live their faith by saying yes to God, especially by service in their parish community. Please join us at 2pm, April 25th at Our Lady of the Annunciation Church in Queensbury. We will be honoring the following women: Patricia Carr, Claudette Jones, Joyce Parker, Nancy Spitz, Karrie Vanderwarker, and Samatha Vanderwarker from St. James Parish. Eileen Amara, Kathy DeBartolo, Susan Goldbecker, Lois McPhillips, Lindsey Maresca, Rachele Maresca, Ann Murphy, Rosemary Rounds, and Shelly Williams from St. Isaac Jogues. Congratulations and thank you for your ministry.

North Country Ministry

For more information, contact Brother James, Sr. Mary or Caroline at Leaven House 251-4425

You are cordially invited to the North Country Ministry Spring Gala Fundraiser
Join us for a great evening with Sensemaya for listening pleasure, dancing and a
Latin Dance presentation. Make your reservation today!

May 15th at Fort William Henry in Lake George Dinner, Dancing & Auction
Reservation forms in the back of the church

Don't take a chance with your child's life! The NCM has certified technicians that will check your car seat for free. Need a child car seat and can't afford it? Call 251-4460.

Priory News

Film Series Thursday, May 6th or Saturday, May 8, 8am – 3pm

The first half of the film will be shown in the morning followed by a discussion and lunch. The 2nd half of the film will be shown and reflected on in the afternoon. Tuesdays with Morrie film will be shown.

Connie Messitt, SCJ Donation \$40.

ST JAMES PARISH

Elementary Religious Education: Today is our last class. We thank our coordinator, Joyce Parker and our teachers: Sue Ringler, Deb Morris, Ronda Morris and Ellen Davis. You are not only dedicated but your special love of the children has been remarkable. Thank you Denise Conti for the outstanding children's Masses.

Parish Council Meeting: Thursday, May 6th at 7pm in the Parish Center.

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

Elementary Religious Education: 1st Communion for our children will be on May 1st at the 5:30 pm Mass.

Hearing Devices in Chestertown: Please know that you can ask, at any time, the greeters in the back for a hearing device that is available to work with our sound system. They work wonderful!

Fall Frolic: Don't forget to save the date, Sunday 10-10-10 with a possibility to win \$10,000. Lucky numbers like this will make everyone want in on the raffle! Open Mike with the Leddick's at Suzy Q's in Brant Lake from 5:30 to 8:30 pm. We need a committee for Door Prizes, please let Barb Carlozzi know if you are interested.

Blessing of Homes If anyone is interested in having their home blessed during the Easter Season, you can make arrangements with Deacon Bob.