

# Northern Points Cluster Bulletin

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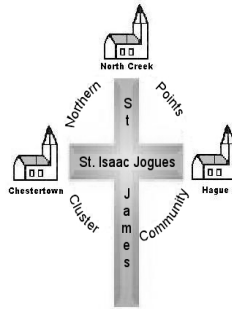
Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time, June 20, 2010

## Parish of St. Isaac Jogues

Blessed Sacrament & St. John the Baptist

P.O. Box 471, Chestertown, NY 12817

(518) 494-5229 ext 31 for Emergency



## St. James Church

P.O. Box 23

North Creek, NY

(518) 251-2518

Northern Points Cluster Website: [northernpointscluster.org](http://northernpointscluster.org)

## Mass Schedule

5:30 pm Saturday Evening Vigil Mass: St. Isaac Jogues, St. John the Baptist Church, Chestertown

9:00 am Sunday: St. James Church, North Creek

9:00 am Sunday: St. Isaac Jogues, Blessed Sacrament Church, Hague

11:00 am Sunday: St. Isaac Jogues, St. John the Baptist Church, Chestertown

**Next Sunday we will start the 7:30 am Mass at St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown**

*(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, North Creek

9:00 am Mass, Tuesday: Blessed Sacrament Rectory, Hague

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

## 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

for St. James, Sr. Fran Husselbeck at 251-2518

## **The Deacon’s Bench**

**“Who do you say that I am?”**



“Who do you say that I am?” Peter gets the right answer, but the wrong understanding. The disciples are still in the learning process. Still trying to fully comprehend who Jesus is. But, aren’t we also, after two millennia, still struggling with that same question?

Then Jesus tells them that he will “suffer greatly,” and goes on to say: “If anyone wishes to come after me, you must deny yourself, and take up your cross daily and follow me.”

Sacrifice done in Jesus’ name isn’t something reserved for specially selected martyrs whose names are inscribed on Christian monuments and memorials. No, instead, Jesus says losing our lives for his sake must be daily occurrence. That all who follow him must be willing to give over our lives to Christ. Christianity is not a part-time, fair-weather, religion; it is a full-time 24/7 following!

So we might ask ourselves: How much am I willing to give to be a follower of Christ? Will it be worth the price? Who do I say that Jesus is?



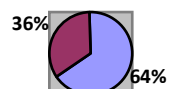
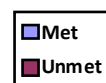
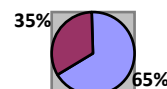
All loving God  
You have graced us, your people  
with every good gift.  
We ask you further for the gift of generosity.  
Open our hearts and our hands  
to those among us in need,

knowing that when we do so  
we use our gifts as you desire them  
to be used,  
In service to our brothers and sisters  
in the human family. Amen

## **Bishop’s Appeal 2010**

St. Isaac Jogues

St. James



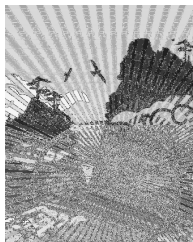
## Cluster News

### Catholic Charities

Catholic Charities of Saratoga, Warren and Washington Counties' twenty-fifth annual ballet fundraiser will be held on Thursday evening, July 8<sup>th</sup> at SPAC. A mixed program featuring the La Source, Fancy Free and Who Cares, will be preceded by a champagne and pastry reception at the Hall of Springs. Please join us for an enjoyable evening and help us to continue our many services to the residents of the tri-county area. For tickets and advertising info please call 587-5000.



**Youth Ministry News: Last Chance!** On June 22<sup>nd</sup> the youth will be playing unlimited laser tag, bumper cars and enjoying 2 go-cart rides at a cost of \$20 per person – Permission slips are needed. We will leave the Parish Center's at 5:30 pm and arrive back there at approximately 8:30pm. Summer families are welcome! Please join us on Facebook at Northern Points Youth Ministry.



### Finding God in the Adirondacks

On Wednesday July 7<sup>th</sup> in Hague, Fr. Tom Zelker will do a presentation on Finding God in the Adirondacks. We will have a Barbeque prior to this at 5:30 pm. Invite your friends and families for an interesting evening. Fr. Tom has a wonderful sense of humor in regards to his outing's here in the Adirondacks!

### Congratulations Father Matthew Wetsel

Thank you for celebrating Mass in our Cluster this weekend!

### Save the Date

Televised Table of the Lord Mass, Tuesday, June 29, 2010

Will be aired on TV July 18 and July 25<sup>th</sup>

Looking for 20 people from our Cluster to travel to Fox23 in Westmere.

If you are interested please sign up or contact Fr. John or call the office.

### North Country Ministry

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

**Our Boutique at the Outreach Center** will be opened on Saturdays from 9–12 noon in June.

There is a need for boy's clothing, size 0-3 months; girls size 3 years and blankets.

### Priory News

Sr. Connie Messitt, CSJ invites you to the Priory Retreat House for the Annual GARAGE SALE July 17-18 from 9 am to 3 pm. Books, furniture, jewelry, toys, sporting goods, clothing, household items and much more are available for very low prices. Reminder: We do not take televisions, mattresses, or cassette tapes. Refreshments are available. We would welcome help any time Thursday, July 15<sup>th</sup> thru Sunday, July 18<sup>th</sup>. Please call 518-494-3733 or email [prioryretreat@yahoo.com](mailto:prioryretreat@yahoo.com) if you can volunteer &/or want to drop off donations. Donations to the Priory, can be made Wednesday's 10-3pm until June 30<sup>th</sup>. We are also in need of trucks to help us transport the sale items. If you are able to, we would appreciate your making cookies &/or brownies, wrapped individually. They may be brought directly to the Priory before the sale or if you are unable to deliver them please call Carole Hart @494-7429.

It's a party in honor of Sr. Connie Messitt, CSJ Fiftieth Jubilee as a Sister of St. Joseph of Carondelet. The celebration is in honor of her vocation and service to the Priory and Sisters. It will be held at the Priory in Chesterton on August 8<sup>th</sup> with a liturgy at 2PM followed by refreshments. Please RSVP by July 11<sup>th</sup> by calling 518-494-3733 or email [prioryretreat@yahoo.com](mailto:prioryretreat@yahoo.com).

### ST JAMES PARISH

**Vacation Bible School** The 2<sup>nd</sup> week in August will be vacation Bible School with our Methodist friends next door. After Mass on June 27<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 am there will be an information meeting for anyone who is interested. The meeting will be in the Methodist Church.

**Outreach Center:** There is an Art Exhibit and Silent Auction on June 27<sup>th</sup> from 2 to 4PM at The Fern Inn in Chestertown. Please see the flyers in the back of the Church for more details.

**Congratulations and Special Blessings** to Kaden James Smith who is being baptized today. He is the son of Jason and Katrina Smith.

**FYI:** Sr. Fran will be on vacation from June 24<sup>th</sup> to July 3<sup>rd</sup>. For emergencies please call Fr. John at 494-5229, ext 31. Ginny Raymond will take care of ordinary needs. Thank you.

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

**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!

**Readers, Greeter, Eucharist Minister:** If you are available to help in any of these ministries, especially as a greeter, please call the office at 494-5229.

**Ecumenical Baccalaureate Service** will be on Monday June 21 at 7:00 PM at St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown.

**Fall Frolic:** Save the date, 10/10/10. Tickets will go on sale July 4<sup>th</sup> Weekend!

