

Northern Points Cluster Bulletin

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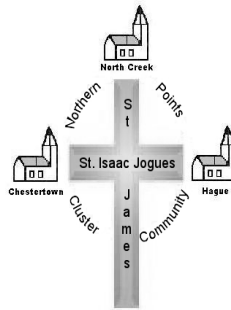
19th Sunday in Ordinary Time: August 7th, 2011

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Summer Schedule

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

7:30 am Sunday, Liturgy: St. Isaac Jogues-St. John the Baptist Church, Chestertown

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

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

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

Weekday Liturgy Schedule for August 8st through August 11th

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

9:00 am Mass Thursday: St. Isaac Jogues Rectory, Hague

August 15th is the Feast of Our Lady of the Assumption. This year, it is not a day of obligation.

Cluster Mass: 9:00 am, Monday, St. James Church, North Creek

Sacrament of Reconciliation: by appointment

Hospital Visits

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 251-2518

Come to the Lord

Today’s scriptural readings speak about food and drink. At first, one could think it is about our Cluster picnic coming up on August 28th (see flyers), for we are in the midst of planning to come together in the Lord and sharing good food and drinks. But today’s message is so much deeper. It is really about a call to a fuller discipleship with Jesus. It is Jesus, himself, calling us forth in faith to become food for others. We, as his disciples, are asked to sustain and nourish the lives of others, by giving what we receive at the Eucharistic banquet. There are many ways this can be done. It can be just to give over more of “self” for the welfare of others. This can be as uncomplicated as sharing time, company and other acts which show our appreciation and value for the individual. During this great Adirondack summer, as we come to the waters and mountains to be nourished by the many ways in which God is present in our lives, let us also seek ways that we can share what we have received with others. Therefore, in our concern for them, they, too, are nourished with the presence of their God.

Sr. Fran

Cluster News

Second Collection next weekend is for the Fuel

Cluster Picnic----Save the Date!

Sunday, August 28th at Pyramid Lake – Please come and enjoy your cluster parish's company. Flyers are in the back of church.



North Country Ministry

North Country Ministry's Baby Place is in desperate need of new or used summer clothing for all ages, babies up to adolescence. Thank you for your help!

50/50 North Country Ministry Summer Jackpot Raffle: Only 200 tickets at \$100 each will be sold. Prizes are \$5000, \$3000, \$2000.

Cluster Gathering

Our two pastoral parish councils will meet at the Priory on Wednesday evening, September 21st from 7 pm-9 pm. Sr. Fran Gilchrist will be our presenter. Council members, please save this date!

Priory News

August Priory Programs.

Silent Directed Retreat: Saturday, August 13th, 4 pm – Friday, August 19th, 11 am: Silent directed retreats include a daily one-on-one conference with the spiritual director, daily prayer and silence.

Connie Messitt, CSJ; Joanne St. Hilaire, CSJ - Donation \$390

Facing Fear: The Search for Courage: Saturday August 20th, 10 am-3 pm: The doubts and fears we have to face in life are very often legion. Some are figments of our imagination; others are all too real. Courage is that elusive quality of mind and spirit that enables us to face fear and uncertainty resolutely and with self-confidence. We will provide a safe place for participants to reach into the gift of Grace that is within each of us if we but allow it to emerge. Connie Messitt, CSJ – Donation \$40

ST. JAMES PARISH

Vacation Bible School: This week – Monday through Friday evenings. Register by calling the Parish Center.

FYI: Our yearly insurance cost is \$3880. The 2nd collection helped us with a total of \$640. Our fuel bill for the two buildings this year cost \$13,216.40. The two collections taken up for fuel during the year were \$2261.50. Thank you for your generous assistance in helping the parish with its expenses in these two areas.



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



Fall Frolic: Save the date, Sunday, October 23rd, 2011, 1-4 pm at Jimbo's in Brant Lake.

Tickets are now on sale and will be available all summer. The donation for each ticket is \$100 and only 200 tickets will be sold. First prize is 25% of the number of tickets sold; second prize is 15% of the number of tickets sold; third prize is 10% of the number of tickets sold. The winners need not be present to claim a prize.

Bishop's Appeal Report: Alleluia, Alleluia! The final report was submitted to the diocese on August 5th, and we are happy to report that we have made our assessment! The wonderful generosity and great spirit we have here in our parish and cluster never ceases to amaze me. We continue to be active stewards for our diocese. Special thanks to ALL who helped us achieve this important milestone.

Fuel Collection: Last year it cost \$21,492.49 to heat all our parish buildings. We thank you for your support and generosity with this important collection.

North Country Ministry: Br. Jim will speak at Mass today on this ministry. Today's second collection is for the parish's continued partnership with North Country Ministry.

Food Pantries: The food pantries in both Brant Lake and Chestertown are low on supplies and in need of replenishment. As always, thank you for your continued support. Please be aware that there have been significant cutbacks to area food collection programs.

Parish/Pastoral Council Meeting: Monday, August 22nd, at 6:30 pm, in the parish center in Chestertown. Please brainstorm ideas on how we can bring more evangelization to our parish.

