

Northern Points Cluster Bulletin

(The weekly cluster newsletter of the Diocese of Albany's Roman Catholic communities serving Northern Warren County)

Rev. John O'Kane, Pastor of the New Parish of St. Isaac Jogues

Blessed Sacrament Church, Hague and St. John the Baptist Church, Chestertown

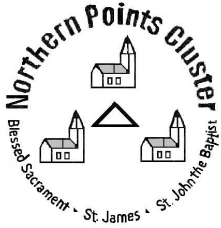
Sacramental Minister of St. James Church, North Creek

Sr. Francesca Husselbeck, RSM, Parish Life Director of St. James Church, North Creek

Deacon Bob Wubbenhorst, Deacon at St. Isaac Jogues

Barbara Carlozzi, Cluster Coordinator of Youth Ministry and Administrative Assistant at St. Isaac Jogues

20th Sunday of Ordinary Time, August 16, 2009



St. James Church
P.O. Box 23, North Creek, New York
518) 251-2518

Introducing New Parish of St. Isaac Jogues
St. John the Baptist & Blessed Sacrament Churches
P.O. Box 471, Chestertown, New York 12817
518-494-5229 ext 31 for Emergency
518-494-5663 (please call before sending)

Northern Points Cluster Website: northernpointscluster.org

Mass Schedule

Our Summer Schedule

4:00 pm Saturday Evening Vigil Mass: Blessed Sacrament Church, Hague

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

7:30 am Sunday: St. John the Baptist Church, Chestertown

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

9:00 am Sunday: Blessed Sacrament Church, Hague

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

(Reminder when you go to one of our sister churches, please designate your offertory collection for your own parish)

Weekday Liturgy Schedule

9:00 am Mass, Monday: St. John the Baptist Parish Center, Chestertown

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

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

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

Anniversary Reflection

The community of St. James Parish continues to value and embellish charisms that were handed down to them from the early parishioners and founders. Those special characteristics that in a way can be considered the hallmarks of the parish are: a steadfast faith, adaptability and resiliency. They helped the neophyte community in the beginning and are the operatives sustaining them in their efforts to continue being a viable parish. United with St. John the Baptist of Chestertown and Blessed Sacrament of Hague (now merged as the new St. Isaac Jogues' Parish), they put their best effort in becoming Northern Points Cluster. Now ten years later the Cluster is strong and the parishes stand in solidarity with each other through the changing times. Called To Be Church has asked the Cluster to be ready to share with our sister parishes in the Local Planning Group. The charisms that have served in the past continue to do so.

St. James Parish during Vatican II assumed the identity of God's Priestly People through the influence of Father Ashline. This identity is one of which they are very proud and will help them to serve with all God's Priestly People in the Churches in the North Country.

Congratulations to Saint James Church on this day of celebration!

Cluster News

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

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!

Northern Points Cluster Summer Picnic, August 30 at Pyramid Lake 1:00 to 5:00 pm

See Pink Flyer & Sign Up Sheet in back of the Church!

St. Isaac Jogues Fall Frolic---Gala & Raffle

Sunday—Columbus Day Weekend October 11th, 2009 at Suzie Q's in Brant Lake.

Contributions of \$115 includes admission to the Gala
a Pasta Station, dancing and a chance to win a 50/50 Raffle!

200 tickets will be sold for a grand prize of \$10,000.

If all 200 tickets not sold, prize will be awarded as a 50/50.

Additional tickets for the admittance to the Fall Frolic will be only \$15 each.

Please pick up a green flyer in back of church.

This is major fundraiser for our New Parish; please purchase your tickets early!



North Country Ministry News

The North Country Ministry is having its' annual Summer Jackpot Raffle and once again we turn to our neighbors for support. The Ministry relies heavily on the generosity of its friends and neighbors, so that NCM may in turn help those among us who are in need of the services we offer. The shares are \$100 each and only 200 will be sold. Our 1st prize is \$5,000, 2nd prize is \$3,000 and 3rd prize is \$2,000. In the event we do not sell all of the shares, the jackpot will become a 50/50 drawing. One half of all proceeds will be distributed in a 5-3-2 ratio to the first three tickets drawn. The drawing will take place at NCM's First Annual Golf Tournament held at One Thousand Acres Golf Course on Saturday, September 19th, 2009. Share forms may be picked up in the back of the Church or by contacting Larry or Pat Carr at 251-0185

Priory News

Book Group: When the Heart Waits; Spiritual Direction for Life's Sacred Questions

Saturdays: Sept. 5, Nov. 21, Jan. 9, 10am – 3 pm

Grounded in personal experience and bolstered with classic spiritual disciplines and Scripture, this book by Sue Monk Kidd offers an alternative to fax-fix spirituality." This open book group will cover 3 chapters each session.

Sr. Connie Messitt, CSJ Donation: \$39

Albany Diocesan Rosary Celebration

Bishop Howard Hubbard, Presider

Sunday, October 4th, 2009 @ 2:00 pm

St. Mary's, Glens Falls

Sponsored by the North Country Parishes

Please save the date and come to pray the Rosary for Peace.



ST JAMES PARISH

Keep in mind that as part of our 125th anniversary we will have a special picnic on Sunday, September 13th for all the families in the Johnsbury Churches. Please save the date.

125th Anniversary Celebration of the Eucharist: A special thanks to everyone who is making today a special day.

Introducing New Parish of St. Isaac Jogues:

CHURCHES OF BLESSED SACRAMENT & ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

St. John the Baptist Food Pantry: We will continue to collect for our local food pantries in Brant Lake and Chestertown. Thank you for your wonderful donations as it does make a difference.