

## ***Northern Points Cluster Bulletin***

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

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

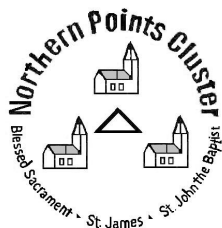
**Sacramental Minister of St. James Church, North Creek**

**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**

**19<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time, August 9, 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](http://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)***

*August 15<sup>th</sup> is not a Holy Day of Obligation, because it falls on Saturday in which there is a Vigil already.*

### **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*

### **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

## **ST. ISAAC JOGUES NORTH AMERICAN MARTYR**

Isaac Jogues was born of a noble family of Orleans, France, in 1607. In his youth, he decided to apply for the Society of Jesus; he did so, was accepted, and was ordained a priest in 1636. Right after that he joyfully received word that he was to be sent to a Mission in "New France". He was to join others there who worked among the Hurons in a promising Mission site which had been established by Father John De Brebeuf and others. In 1642, while returning to Huronia from Quebec, Jogues was captured by Mohawks Indians along with Rene Goupil-a lay volunteer, and several others. They were tortured by the natives and, rather soon after arriving; Rene Goupil was killed by Mohawk braves who felt he was harming people there (due to his usage of the sign of the Cross). Later, Father Isaac Jogues escaped from his captors and returned to France. He desired however to work with his former "enemies" and begged permission to return to the Land of Mohawks. He went back this time as a peace Envoy. It was during this time that he founded Lake George. He gave it the name Lac du Sacrement, (Lake of the Blessed Sacrament), to the lake the Indians called Horicon. Peace talks broke down and Jogues met his martyrdom on October 18<sup>th</sup>, 1646. The next day his young companion, John, also gave his life for the Christian faith

St. Isaac Jogues, St. John de Brebeuf and their companions feast day is October 19. I would like to thank Father Peter Murray S.J. Director of the National Shrine of Our Lady of Martyrs in Auriesville, New York, for providing us with this biography. Enjoy the remaining days of summer.

God bless,  
Father John

## Cluster News

### 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 11<sup>th</sup>, 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!



#### Next Sunday's Celebration One Hundred and Twenty Fifth Anniversary

Saint James Church

237 Main Street

North Creek NY

The Parish community invites you to join them in the

Celebration of the Holy Eucharist

August 16, 2009 12:00 Noon

Presided by Most Rev. Howard J. Hubbard, Bishop of Albany

(priests are invited to concelebrate)

Reception will follow

Please Come



#### 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 1<sup>st</sup> prize is \$5,000, 2<sup>nd</sup> prize is \$3,000 and 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 19<sup>th</sup>, 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

**The Healing Energy of Trees** Saturday: August 22, 10am – 3 pm (rain date: Aug. 23)

One of the ways we experience the healing presence of God is through Nature. During this day, we will slow down; open our five senses; hike to Palmer Pond' and reconnect with the energy of the forest. Wear comfortable clothes and bring your camera (optional) ... Sr. Connie Messitt, CSJ Donation: \$39

#### Albany Diocesan Rosary Celebration

Bishop Howard Hubbard, Presider

Sunday, October 4<sup>th</sup>, 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 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary** we will have a special picnic on Sunday, September 13<sup>th</sup> for all the families in the Johnsbury Churches. Please save the date.

**During the week of August 7<sup>th</sup>** we need volunteers to spruce up our parish center for our anniversary. Please see the list in the back of the church to sign up.

**Special Day:** Today Mia Connolly is being Baptized and Aidan Connelly is making his First Communion. Congratulations to the Connolly Family.

#### **Introducing New Parish of St. Isaac Jogues:**

CHURCHES OF BLESSED SACRAMENT & ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

**2<sup>nd</sup> Collection** next week is for the North Country Ministry. Br. James will be here to preach the word as we continue this partnership together! There is a newsletter, in the back of the Church, from the North Country Ministry which shares with us the continued work of this important ministry. Please pick one up.

**Congratulations** to Susan Goldbecker and Mickey Fitzgerald. Bishop Hubbard has appointed them our two new Trustees of the Parish of St. Isaac Jogues. We wish to thank Bob Palandrani, Mark Carpenter and Stella Vanderwarker as they finish their terms, for many years of serving as Trustees for our Churches.

**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.

**Baptism:** Last week two wonderful Children of God were baptized into our Church! Mason Luca Marchetti, child of Thomas & Angela Marchetti and Anna Kieffer, child of Robert & Polly Kieffer, may God's Blessing be upon them.

**Pastoral Parish Council Meeting** Monday, August 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 at Blessed Sacrament in Hague, this is the last official Council Meeting for Blessed Sacrament Parish.