Northern Points Cluster Bulletin Rev. John O'Kane, Pastor of St. James & St. Isaac Jogues Barbara Carlozzi, Pastoral Associate of Parish Life 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time, September 15, 2019

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ESTATE PLANNING

Please consider continuing your support of your Churches, Parish of St. Isaac Jogues or St. James Church, in your estate plan. Your generosity will be remembered annually in our Book of Life.

Weekend Mass Schedule

5:30 pm, Saturday Vigil, St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown 9:00 am, Sunday, St. James Church, North Creek 11:00 am, Sunday, St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown Mass at one of our Sister churches? Please designate your offertory for your own Parish.

Weekday Masses

1:30 pm, Monday, September 16th, Elderwood at North Creek 9:00 am, Tuesday, September 17th, St. James, North Creek 5:15 pm, Wednesday, September 18th, St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown

Mass Changes

Weekend of October 19th & 20th, 5:30 pm Vigil & 9:30 am, St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown Sunday, October 20th, 8:00 am, St. James, North Creek Sunday, October 20th, 11:00 am, Blessed Sacrament, Bolton Landing

Hospital Visits

Please contact Fr. John if a parishioner is hospitalized or in a nursing home

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 5:00pm, St. Isaac Jogues, Parish Center, Chestertown or by appointment

Preparation for Baptism and Marriage

Please contact Fr. John @ 518-824-1181

PARABLES OF MERCY!

We see the parables of mercy lived out in the lives of men and women who have had their lives changed by an experience of the living God. Although, like the conversion of the apostle Paul, some conversions are flashy and life altering. However, more often than not, they are slow and subtle. Throughout our lives, Jesus continually calls us to return to him, to follow him more closely, to be found. Copyright Living Liturgy 2019

RE-IGNITING OUR FAITH!

Keep in prayer this continuing Campaign. If you have not yet participated, please consider pledging or donating. The Holy Spirit is calling us to become aware of our needs in our beautiful churches, in our Cluster, and in our Diocese. Remember, we are doing together what we cannot do alone. May God bless us as we continue to "Re-Ignite our Faith!" Fr. John O'Kane

Cluster News

Please Remember Us: Those of you who are returning or will be returning to your winter residences, would you consider remembering your North Country family once a month with a donation, or perhaps a Christmas and/or Easter Offertory? We are forever grateful for who you are and what you do for us. We ask that you pray for us. Meeting our obligations in a rural parish is not easy. God Bless!

Youth Ministry: There will be a retreat for our teens on Monday, October 14th from 2-6 pm at St. Isaac Jogues in Chestertown

Confirmation: Sunday, November 17th, 2:00 pm, St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown

2nd Collection: September 22nd, The Catholic University of America

Child Victims Act: See the statement from the Diocese of Albany regarding the Child Victims Act.

Online Giving: A safe and convenient way to make weekly offertory and special collections and contributions. **Concert & Retreat Day**: Featuring David Haas and the music ministries of St. James, St. John the Baptist, and St. Joseph. Friday, October 4th, 7 pm concert, St. James Chatham; Retreat from 8:30 am to 2 pm, Saturday, October 5th, The Church of St. Joseph, Stuyvesant Falls. Retreat registration fee /\$50 (or \$40 if registering by August 15th). David Haas is a world-renowned author and composer of contemporary Catholic liturgical music. There is a registration form and an order form in the back of the church for these events. Questions? Contact Justine Rodriguez at 518-986-9800 or justinejrodrigues@gmail.com.

Diocesan Marriage Jubilee: The Annual Marriage Jubilee Liturgy will be held Sunday, October 20th, at 2:00 pm at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Albany. Couples celebrating their 25th, 40th, 50th, or other special wedding anniversaries are invited to attend this celebration. Bishop Edward Scharfenberger will celebrate the Liturgy at 2:00 pm and greet couples and their guests at a reception in the gathering area at the Cathedral immediately following Mass. Call the office to register or email to Marriage.Jubilee@rcda.org. **Worldwide Marriage Encounter:** God has entrusted your spouse to your care. Show that you are trustworthy in that care by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next weekends are October 18-20, 2019 in Albany, NY and November 1-3, 2019 in CT. For more information, call Pat & MaryJo McLaughlin at 860-315-2127 or visit them at https://wwwmectw.org/.

ST. JAMES

Bishop's Appeal: The assessment for St. James this year is \$9,399. This is a reduction of \$392 from last year. We have collected \$6,650 (39 gifts) to date. Remember, let us strive for 100% participation; not equal gifts, but equal sacrifice! God Bless you for your generosity, commitment & support always. We have reached 71%! **Re-Igniting Our Faith:** We are in the midst of our Capital Campaign, and I am pleased to report that we currently have enough to go forth with replacing our church furnace before winter falls. With 23 pledges to date, we have reached a total of \$32,125! This is 38% of our goal of \$85,000. Thank you to those who have pledged or donated.

Bake Sale: Sunday, October 6th: The religious education programs in our Cluster benefit from this cake sale. Please consider baking your favorite recipe.

Mass Intentions:Sunday,9/22 People of the Parish9:00 amSunday,9/29 People of the Parish9:00 am

ST. ISAAC JOGUES

Bishop's Appeal: The assessment for St. Isaac Jogues this year is \$24,439. This is a reduction of \$1,018 from last year. We have collected \$19,105 (75 gifts) to date. Let us strive for 100% participation; not equal gifts, but equal sacrifice! God Bless you for your generosity, commitment & support always. We have reached 79%! **Re-Igniting Our Faith:** With your continued generosity, our current total of pledges and donations is \$131,710! Plans are underway to demolish and rebuild the concrete steps at the entrance to the church which is scheduled to begin October 1st. Two more window locations are scheduled for repair by All in Glass! If you would like to visit All in Glass to see this amazing restoration process, please call the office. Some of the recent donations were a result of parishioners speaking with their financial advisors and determining they could donate by using retirement funds or other distributions. It is not too late to donate or pledge. Thank you to those who have done so.

St. Isaac Jogues 10th Fall Frolic: Sunday, September 29th, Forest Lake Camp, from 3:00 pm to 6:00 pm! What a wonderful way to kick off the fall season. Last year was great, and this year can also be great! Raffle tickets are available for \$100 each. Only 175 tickets will be sold. Some of our parishioners have acquired gift certificates for the Chinese Auction from vendors that they frequent. If you have a favorite place to eat or shop, consider asking for a donation to help support our Fall Frolic. Donations are still being accepted thru September 14th & 15th for our Chinese Auction. Enjoy a meal of beef and shrimp with all the extras! **Blessing of the Animals:** Sunday, October 6th, on the grounds in front of the church, at 1:30 pm. Come for a special blessing for your beloved pet, a remembrance of St. Francis of Assisi's love for all creatures, great and small. *Free will donation*

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Sun	day, 9/22	John Clemon	Req/Harold & Norm Penistan	11:00 am
Sati	ırday, 9/28	People of the Parish		5:30 pm
Sun	day 9/29	Fleanor & James Tucci	Rea/Ronnie & Frank Tucci	11:00 am