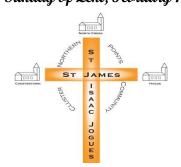
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ESTATE PLANNING

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

4:00 pm, Saturday Vigil, St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown
5:30 pm, Saturday Vigil, St. James, North Creek
8:00 am, Sunday, St. James Church, North Creek
9:30 am, Sunday, St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown
11:00 am, Sunday, Blessed Sacrament, Bolton Landing
Mass at one of our Sister churches? Please designate your offertory for your own Parish.

Weekday Mass Schedule

1:30 pm, Monday, Elderwood At North Creek 9:00 am, Wednesday, St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown Reminder: There is no daily morning Mass when school is canceled or delayed.

Fasting & Abstinence

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of both fast & abstinence. "Abstinence" is to abstain from meat.

"Fasting" means not eating in-between meals and only having one main meal with two smaller meals not equaling the main meal.

Also, the custom in our Diocese is to observe Lenten Fridays as days of abstinence. Those ages 18 to 59 are asked to fast and abstain on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

By appointment

Hospital Visits

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

Preparation for Baptism and Marriage

Please call Fr. John at 518-824-1181

LIVING THE PASCHAL MYSTERY!

Our lives are filled with many competing priorities. Sometimes we call these "distractions" or temptations. It is important for us to wisely discern between distractions/temptations and merely competing priorities. Family responsibilities, for example are hardly temptations, but they can sometimes pull us in many directions we do not enjoy or that are not always life-giving. Perhaps this is why they are called "responsibilities." Life-giving activities are from the Spirit of God. Pursuits that pull us away from who we are called to be are better called "temptations." This is where the example of Jesus can be so powerful. Copyright, *Living Liturgy 2018*

LENTEN PROGRAMS & SCHEDULES

Monday, February 19th, Mass, Mary's Stations, Soup/Supper, 5:15 pm, St. James, North Creek Monday, February 26th Mass, Mary's Stations, 5:15 pm, St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown Monday, March 5th, Mass, Mary's Stations, St. James, North Creek Monday, March 12th Mass, 5:15 pm, 1 hour of Adoration, followed with Lectio Divina Prayer, St. James, North Creek Wednesday, March 21st, Soup/Supper, 5:15 pm, Brian Evers, Topic: "Reconciliation," St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown

North Country Ministry

See the Lenten Flyer for additional programs

Judy Carr, 251-4460 or 623-2829 www.NorthCountryMinistry.org

Volunteers are always needed.

Priory News (518-494-3733)

www.prioryretreathouse.org

Vespers at the Priory: Wednesdays, 5:30 pm: *Open to the public:* Potluck Supper & Scripture study, preceded by 20 minutes of Stillness Meditation & Communal recitation of the Jesus Prayer at 5:10 pm. (*Donation*).

February Guided Weekend Retreat: Fridays through Sundays: Feb. 23-25/Mar. 16-18/ Apr 27-29: Spiritual direction, community prayer, meals & accommodations— Begins 7 pm Fridays, concludes 2 pm Sundays. Disconnect from the distractions of the world and take refuge from the storms of your everyday life. Prayer, share meals, walk a guided hike. \$225 individual

ST. JAMES CHURCH:

Save the Date: April 6th through April 8th: Retreat for Women: Dominican Retreat & Conference Center, Niskayuna, NY. More information to follow.

Mass Intentions:Saturday, 2/24People of the Parish5:30 pmSunday, 2/25People of the Parish8:00 am

ST. ISAAC JOGUES:

Easter Food Baskets: Our Food Basket Ministry will be accepting donations of food and money as Easter approaches. Your donations will help provide Easter food baskets for local families in need. Please call the office if you know of anyone who would need a food basket for Easter. These names will be kept in strictest confidence. Watch the bulletin for specific items needed or bring canned goods of your choice.

Mass Intentions:	Saturday, 2/24	Sandra Ragule	Req/Ed Ragule	4:00 pm
	Sunday, 2/24	Mary & Buddy Attanasio	Req/DeBartolo	9:30 am
	Sunday 2/25	John McConnell	Rea/Judi McConnell	9·30 am