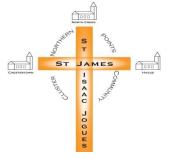
Northern Points Cluster Bulletin Rev. John O'Kane, Pastor of the Parishes of St. James & St. Isaac Jogues Barbara Carlozzi, Pastoral Associate of Parish Life 2nd Sunday of Lent, February 25, 2018

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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. Those ages 60 & over are asked to abstain on Ash Wednesday & all Fridays during Lent.

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

DIVINITY POSSESSED BY JESUS!

On the mount of the transfiguration, Peter, James, and John realize for the first time the divinity possessed by Jesus. That same spirit, that same "divinity," shines within and though them and us as well. The Spirit of God dwells within us, enabling us to realize our own potential for generosity, compassion, and gratitude—and, in the light of Christ's transfiguration, to recognize that same goodness in others. Copyright, *Living Liturgy 2018*

Cluster News

LENTEN PROGRAMS & SCHEDULES

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

See the Lenten Flyer for additional programs

Second Collection: Weekend of March 11th: Catholic Relief Services

Retreat for Women: April 6th through April 8th: Dominican Retreat & Conference Center, Niskayuna, NY. The Guest Director is Sr. Maureen Murphy, OP. This year's theme: "...and after these...a tiny whispering sound." (1Kg 19:12). This weekend will offer hours away from daily routine for rest, quiet, learning and reflection, inner healing, growth, prayer, and sharing. Individual or private consultation with any of the staff will be available. The weekend is open to all faiths and all ages. *Please call Ginny Raymond* @ 518-251-3515 for additional information.

North Country Ministry

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

Note: Gluten Free Food is available in all Food Pantries.

Priory News (518-494-3733)

www.prioryretreathouse.org

February Guided Weekend Retreat: Fridays—Sundays: Mar. 16-18/ Apr 27-29: Spiritual direction, community prayer, meals & accommodations. Call for additional information. \$225 individual

ST. JAMES CHURCH:

Wine & Cheese Reception: This reception was met with such wonderful fellowship with our seasonal parishioners and the St. James community. We are grateful for this wonderful camaraderie.

Readers, Greeters, Eucharistic Ministers: See Karen following Mass to set the March schedule.						
Mass Intentions:	Saturday, 3/3 Pe	cople of the Parish			5:30 pm	
	Sunday, 3/4 Pe	eople of the Parish			8:00 am	
Regular Offertory:	Dec. 2017:	\$4796	Dec. 2016:	\$3917		
	Jan. 2017:	\$3237	Jan. 2016:	\$5093		

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 any canned goods of your choice.

Mass Intentions:	Saturday, 3/3 People of the Parish		
	Sunday, 3/4 People of the Parish		9:30 am
Regular Offertory:	Dec. 2017: \$12055	Dec. 2016:	\$6894
	Jan. 2017: \$5823	Jan. 2016:	\$9508