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 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time, September 12, 2021

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<u>ESTATE PLANNING</u>

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. Mass at one of our Sister churches? Please designate your offertory for your own parish.

Mass Schedule

4:00 pm, Saturday Vigil, St. James Church, North Creek
5:30 pm, Saturday Vigil, St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown
9:00 am, Sunday, St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown

Daily Mass

Wednesday's at 10:00 am

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

"WHOEVER WISHES TO COME AFTER ME MUST DENY HIMSELF, TAKE UP HIS CROSS, AND FOLLOW ME"

Nearly halfway through Mark's gospel, we come to Jesus's first prediction of his passion. After Peter confesses Jesus to be "the Christ," is—one who will undergo suffering and even death in following the will of God. And this is not all; those who would follow Jesus will also find this path in front of them, one of sacrifice and even suffering on the way to eternal life. Jesus seems to place this revelation in front of the disciples as a challenge. They know Jesus the wonder-worker and the wise teacher. Now, they are introduced to Jesus the suffering servant who will undergo rejection and death. Do they dare to continue following in his footsteps, knowing where this path will lead them? Copyright *Living Liturgy 2021*

Come Holy Spirit! Renew our Strength, Reaffirm Our Hope: Saturday, September 25^{th} , 9 am – 2 pm. At St. Edward the Confessor Church in Clifton Park. The day will begin in prayer and uplifting message from Fr. Bob Longobucco. The day will continue with time to reflect more deeply on the gift of God's hope, led by Bob McCarty, well-known national presenter, and former director of the National Federation for Catholic Youth Ministry. Finally, the day will conclude with a Holy Hour and a recommitment to "go announce the Gospel of the Lord!" Deadline to register for this is September 15^{th} . There is no cost for the event.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter: To support married couples during this time of social distancing, Worldwide Marriage Encounter is sponsoring virtual marriage experiences. Some are on weekends and are seven sessions on weekdays from 7:00pm to 9:30pm. Couples will explore their individual personality styles, improve listening and communication skills, understand God's plan for their marriage, and learn how to keep their relationship a priority. Registration is limited and a \$100 application fee is required. For more information or to apply, call Frank & Margie Pearson at 860-337-2447 or visit them at <u>https://wwmectw.org/</u>. Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me. Take time for your marriage and learn how to be the best spouse you can be by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience.

Community Methodist Church Share Center: is open on Saturday's from 10 am - 2 pm. Currently has 2-bedroom sets that was donated and available to those who have a need. There are many other items, also.

North Country Ministry (518)-623-2829

Clothing Center is open. No Appointment Necessary. Days/hours are Monday, Thursday, Friday from 1-4pm. There is a limit of 5 people in the building at one time.

Food Pantry open Wednesday 1:00-4:00pm

The Furniture Program is open for visitors on Tuesdays from 12:00 pm to 2:00 pm as well as Thursdays from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm. No Appointment Necessary

ST. JAMES CHURCH:

Chair Raffle: And the winner is Carol Soffey! St. James realized over \$1300. Thank you to all who made this happen!

Food Baskets: We are collecting for the Food Pantry once again.

Mass Intentions: Saturday, 9/18 People of the Parish 4:00 pm

ST. ISAAC JOGUES:

Raffle: We have sold 175 tickets for the \$100 Raffle as over Friday. If we sell 200 tickets, \$10,000 goes to the church and 3 prizes of \$3,333.34 to 3 winners. Let us know if you would like to go in on a ticket to help spread out the cost.

Chinese Auction & Thank you: As of Friday, we have sold over \$1,300 worth of Chinese Auction items. We will continue to sell tickets for our Chinese Auction, until September 26th. So many, have donated their beautiful baskets and other items, and we cannot be more thankful for your generosity. We are blessed to have such wonderful benefactors. And many thanks go out to the committee that has made this all possible. **Sunday, September 26th:** We will conclude our Raffle & Auction after the 9 am Mass, September 26th. Food Baskets: We are collecting for the Food Pantry once again.

Mass Intentions: 9/18th & 9/19th Pastoral Staff & Volunteers Req/Christine Doyle 5:30 pm & 11:00 am