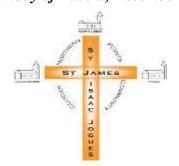
Northern Points Cluster Bulletin Rev. John O'Kane, Pastor of St. James & St. Isaac Jogues Barbara Carlozzi, Pastoral Associate of Parish Life 3rd Sunday of Advent, December 15, 2019

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Weekend Mass Schedule

4:00 pm, Saturday, St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown 5:30 pm, Saturday, St. James, 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.

Sacrament of Sick, Physical, Mental & Spiritual Well-Being w/Mass

1:30 pm, Monday, December 16^{th} , Elderwood at North Creek 6:00 pm, Monday, December 16th, St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown This is a time to prepare for the Christmas Season with Jesus' healing presence. As we begin the new Church year, we ask and seek the Lord for his healing presence through this Sacrament.

Christmas Eve Mass Schedule

4:00 pm, Family Mass, St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown 6:00 pm, Blessed Sacrament, Bolton Landing 7:30 pm, St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown 9:30 pm, St. James, North Creek

Christmas Day Mass Schedule

9:30 am, St. James, North Creek 11:00 am, St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown

New Year's Eve & Day Mass Schedule

(Feast of Mary, Mother of God) 5:30 pm, Tuesday, St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown 9:00 am, Wednesday, St. James, North Creek 11:00 am, Wednesday, Blessed Sacrament, Bolton Landing

Sacrament of Reconciliation

3:30 pm, Saturdays or 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

RE-IGNITING OUR FAITH!

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

APPROACHING CHRISTMAS!

The season of Advent is halfway over, and Christmas is drawing near. How does God call to you to let go of anxieties and make room for the joy of Christmas? Yes, we are approaching Christmas, the feast of the Incarnation, when God chose to become a human being to draw near to us. As you prepare to proclaim this psalm of thanksgiving and joy, pause to reflect on how you have experienced Emmanuel, "God with us," in your own life. *Living Liturgy*, 2019

Cluster News

RCIA: Do you know someone who would like to know more about this program or the Catholic Church, or is there a family member who would like to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation: Does someone need encouragement from you to enter this program? Please call Fr. John or the office for more information. A meeting of inquiry will be set. Worldwide Marriage Encounter: Give your spouse a special gift this Christmas by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next weekends are March 27-29, 2020 in Albany, NY and July 10-12, 2020 in East Windsor, CT. More information, call Pat & MaryJo McLaughlin, 860-315-2127 or visit them at https://www.ncg/.

Giving Tree Program: It's still not too late. All gifts should be individually wrapped and labelled with the tags from the tree. North Country Ministry will deliver them before the start of the holiday weekend.

Second Collection: North Country Ministry, weekend of December 28th & 29th

North Country Ministry

518-251-4460 or 518-623-2828

Books: NCM is requesting books for adults. After you have read a book, please consider donating it to NCM to be available for other readers.

ST. JAMES

Christmas Eve Gathering: Enjoy eggnog and cookies following the 5:30 pm Mass.

Bishop's Appeal: Congratulations on reaching our 2019 Bishop's Appeal. We are most grateful for your efforts. God

Bless you for your generosity, commitment and support always. We went over our Bishops Appeal \$566!

Re-Igniting Our Faith: We are in the midst of our Capital Campaign. With 23 pledges to date, we have reached a total of \$32,125! This is 38% of our goal of \$85,000. Thank you for your pledge or donation.

Save the Date: Sunday, January 26th, Golden Opportunity Raffle; Basil & Wicks, 1 pm to 4 pm – Raffle tickets are

\$100. More to follow!

Mass Intentions: Saturday, 12/28 People of the Parish 5:30 pm

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 \$23,120 (92 gifts) to date. We have \$1,319 still to collect. Let us strive for 100% participation; not equal gifts, but equal sacrifice! God Bless you for your generosity, commitment and support always. We have reached 95%!

Re-Igniting Our Faith: With your continued generosity, our current total of pledges and donations is \$131,710! Thank you to those who have donated or pledged to this Campaign. It is not too late to do so.

Mass Intentions: Saturday, 12/28 People of the Parish 4:00 pm

Sunday, 12/29 People of the Parish 9:30 am