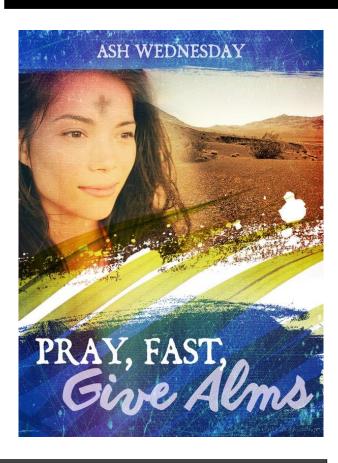
7th Sunday Ordinary Time February 19, 2023



Upcoming Events

Ash Wednesday Mass w/Distribution

February 22, 2023 St. James, North Creek at 9 am St. Isaac Jogues, Chestertown at 4:30 pm Blessed Sacrament, Bolton Landing at 6:00 pm

Ministry Sign Up Weekend March 4th & 5th after Mass's for all three churches. More to come! St. Patty's Day Parade, Saturday, March 11th in Chestertown at 2 pm. St. Isaac Jogues will be marching. Come Join Us!

Lenten Events

See Flyer

St. James

North Creek

Intentions & Mass Cards:

Please call Kathy DeBartolo at 518-494-7873 2/25 & 3/4 Mass Intentions Aailable

Offertory: 2/11 \$282 2/18 \$392

Diocesan Appeal: We still have \$1,872 to go. We have collected \$5,381 which is 74% of our goal of \$7,252, with 21 gifts to date. We strive for 100% participation, not equal gifts. Thank you, your stewardship is truly appreciated.

St. Isaac Jogues

Chestertown/Hague

Intentions & Mass Cards: Please call Kathy DeBartolo at 518-494-7873

2/18 Mary & Buddy Attanasio *Req. Kathy Debartolo* 2/18 Dan Feldt *Req. Carol Feldt*

2/16 Dali Felul Req. Carol Felul 2/25 Deberte O'Sulliver Reg. V.

2/25 Roberta O'Sullivan *Req. Kathy DeBartolo* 2/25 John Allen Penny *Req. Carol Feldt*

226 Leslie Atkins *Req. Lee & JoAnn Flammer*Offertory: 2/11 & 2/12 \$1,763

North Country Ministry Collection \$508 **Diocesan Appeal:** Wow! We have collected \$18,013 which is 91.6% of our goal of \$19,659, with 60 gifts to date. We have only \$1,646 left to go. Fantastic job! We strive for 100% participation, not equal gifts. Thank you, your stewardship is truly appreciated.

North Country Ministry

Save the Date 2023 Spring Fundraiser Boot Scootin' Ball Friday, May 5, 2023 6-10 pm At The Queensbury Hotel

March 31st through April 2nd Dominican Retreat & Conference Center, Niskayuna, NY. This years theme is "Make My Joy Complete" (Philippians 2:2). The Guest Director is Mary Reddy Reichley, OPA, D. Min. Enjoy hours away from daily routine for rest, quiet, learning and reflection, inner healing, growth, prayer, and sharing. Open to all faiths and all ages. *Call Ginny Raymond* @ 518-251-3515 or *Pat Audi* 518-792-3447 for more information.

Church of the Blessed Sacrament Bolton Landing

Intentions & Mass Cards: Please call Rita Whitney at 518-338-6858.

2/19 Thomas Muscatello Mace Frank McDonald

Req. Ellie & Tom Torebka

2/19 Jim & Rosemarie O'Connor

Req. Debbie Sands
2/19 Arno Frank Req. Geri Taylor & Family
2/26 Aimee & Devon Sampson Newly Married
Req. Debbie Sands

Offertory: 2/12 \$947

Diocesan Appeal: We have collected \$14,965 which is 59.8% of our goal of \$25,008, with 39 gifts to date. We still have \$10,043 left to achieve our assessment. We strive for 100% participation, not equal gifts. Thank you, your stewardship is truly appreciated.

And the Winner is The Chiefs! \$319 to Eagles \$239. But the real winner is North Country Ministry! \$558



Why do we place ashes on our forehead each Ash Wednesday?

We recall in the second chapter of Genesis, when the human person is fashioned "out of the dust of the ground" and receives the breath of life (Genesis 2:7). In death, a person returns to the ground from which we came. The ancient Hebrews used ash- es as a sign of repentance, reminding themselves that God is God and we are not.

When we receive ashes, we remember our own mortality. We're reminded that we

have limited me on this earth and we ought to make the best use of it that we can!

People are in need of love, care, and compassion. We all need to continually rediscover the love of God. The Gospel invites every person in every stage of life to encounter and imitate Jesus here and now. The forty days of Lent are the perfect me to assess our own awareness of these realities. Remember, you are dust and unto dust you shall return.

Ministry Fair

As we enter the Season of Lent, we are reminded of our call to serve one another. Have vou thought about being a Greeter, Reader, **Eucharistic Minister, or member of the Music** Ministry? Maybe you serve in one of these ministries at your home Parish. Perhaps in the past you have thought about joining one of our parish ministries but just haven't had the opportunity to sign up. We are planning a Ministry Sign-Up Weekend on March 4th & 5th, 2023 After the Mass on that weekend, parishioners (full-time or part-time) will have the opportunity to find out more about each ministry, and when training will take place. It will be a wonderful opportunity to find about more about serving one another. We look forward to sharing with you information about our ministries which are so important to our parish life.

For more information for St. James contact Ellen Schaefer 518-251-5451 or ellen.schaefer@frontier.com. For St. Isaac Jogues Judi Gross 51-573-7616 or grossj920@gmail.com
For Blessed Sacrament Anne Marie Bell 518-644-3051 or

bellpoint54@aol.com

Or Anne Marie Sensese 518-240-6047 or amsenese@aol.com



VITA - Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (Free Tax Return Preparation for Qualifying Taxpayers) in Warren, Washington, & Northern Saratoga counties in February and March. This is free tax assistance for families and individuals whose household income is \$60,00 or less per year. Call 1-800-211-5128 to schedule an appointment. March 2nd will be at St. Isaac Jogues Parish Center. If enough people call to make an appointment, they possibly would open another date!

