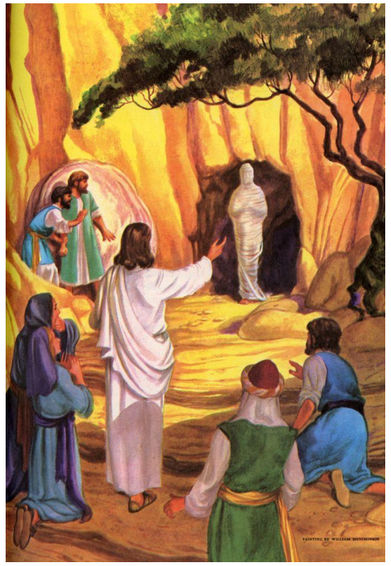
March 22, 2026
5th Sunday of Lent



Weekend	Bl. Sac	St. Isaac
3/15/26	$498	$1,678

Reconciliation Available

3:30 pm Saturday's St. Isaac Jogues
Blessed Sacrament following 10:30 am Mass
or by appointment

Holy Week Schedule

Holy Thursday: St. Isaac Jogues
April 2nd, Mass of the Lord's Supper
5:00 pm, Pot Luck Supper 6:30 pm, Mass followed by an hour of Adoration.
A sign-up sheet is available at the back of the church for anyone willing to bring a side dish. Thank you for sharing your time and hospitality!

Good Friday: Blessed Sacrament
April 3rd, at 6:30 pm Service

Divine Mercy Novena at Blessed Sacrament
It begins on Good Friday, April 3rd, at 3 pm each day for nine days. Until Saturday, April 11th, to prepare for the Feast Day of Divine Mercy on Sunday, April 12th. Sunday, April 12th, Divine Mercy Sunday, the Chaplet will be prayed at 3 pm.

Easter Vigil: St. Isaac Jogues, April 4th at 7 pm

Easter Sunday, April 5th
St. Isaac Jogues 9:00 am
Blessed Sacrament 10:30 am

Blessed Sacrament

Intentions & Mass Cards: Please call Rita Whitney at 518-338-6858
3/22 Thomas Michael Walsh
Req. Anne Marie & Ray Bell
3/22 Michael Schuster, Sr. *Req. The Schuster Family*
3/22 Kathy DeBartolo *Req. Ellie & Tom Torebka*
3/22 All Souls *Req. The Schuster Family*
3/29 Michael Schuster, Sr. *Req. The Schuster Family*
3/29 All Souls *Req. The Schuster Family*
Prayer Intentions: call Pat Nugent 518-668-2765
Rosary: Tuesdays at 9:00 am.
Daily Mass will be on Thursday, March 26th, at 9:30 am.

Diocesan Appeal

The Diocesan Appeal supports many vital ministries, including the education and formation of clergy, deacons, and seminarians; chaplaincy programs in hospitals and colleges; and other essential Diocesan Services that help our parishes thrive.

Blessed Sacrament—Assessment: $18,895 (a decrease of $2,147 from last year). **Raised to date *$16,620 with 32 gifts (88% of goal).* That's Awesome! Only $2,275 left to go.**

St. Isaac Jogues

Intentions & Mass Cards: Please call the office 518-824-1176.
3/21 Kathy Barlow McCann *Req. Bernie McCann*
3/22 Ella Carston *Req. Maryanne Burke*
3/28 Kathy DeBartolo *Req. The Swindell Family*
3/29 Carol Schuerlein *Req. Paul Schuerlein*
Daily Mass will be on Wednesday, March 25th, at 9:30 am in the Parish Center.
Save the Date: Cinco de Mayo Saturday, May 2nd. A planning meeting for this wonderful event will be held on Wednesday, April 8th at 6 pm. All are welcome to come and help make this a joyful and memorable gathering.

Vibrancy Checklist for Churches

Worship & Creativity

- Does the church balance tradition with innovation (music styles, liturgy, technology)?
- Are services accessible and meaningful to different generations?
- Is worship heartfelt, participatory, and engaging

Future Cluster Events

Stations of the Cross
Blessed Sacrament at 5 pm Every Friday, except Good Friday. On Good Friday Divine Mercy Novena will be at 3:00 pm, followed by Stations of the Cross. Good Friday Service will start at 6:30 pm.
Mary's Way of the Cross will be at St. Isaac Jogues at 5 pm, 3/26/26
Easter Church Decorating: All are warmly invited to help decorate the church in preparation for Easter! As we prepare to celebrate the joy of the Resurrection, we welcome anyone who would like to lend a hand in making our church beautiful for this holy season.
St. Isaac Jogues will change over on Friday, April 3rd at 11:00 am.
Blessed Sacrament will change over Saturday, April 4th at 9 am.
Your help is greatly appreciated as we prepare our churches to celebrate the glory of Easter. All are welcome!

Palm Sunday Afternoon of
Lenten Song with Dan Schutte

Composer Dan Schutte, whose music includes "Here I Am, Lord," and approximately 160 other hymns, will lead a two-hour afternoon of song on March 29, beginning at 3 pm at Corpus Christi Catholic Church, 2001 Rt. 9, Round Lake, NY. Admission is just $15. Ticket and sponsorship information can be found at **www.ivcusa.org/schuttealbany26/.** For more information, please email AlbanyNY@ivcusa.org. See flyer.

VITA

VITA - Volunteer Income Free Tax Assistance through April. This is free tax assistance for families and individuals whose household income is $70,000 or less per year. This service will be available at St. Cecilia's every Friday and Saturday in March. *Call* 1-800-211-5128 to schedule an appointment.

North Country Ministry Spring Fundraiser
Black & White Sneaker Ball
Friday, May 1, 2026, 6-10 PM
Fort William Henry Carriage House
518-623-2829

Recognizing God in our Ordinary Moments

A friend of mine wrote an imaginative reflection on the raising of Lazarus that caught me off guard. She proposed that when Jesus called Lazarus from the tomb, the man was not joyful but angry and annoyed. After so much suffering, maybe death felt like a release. He had finally escaped the pain. And then, suddenly, Jesus' voice cuts through the silence: **"Lazarus, come out!" (John 11:43)** The light stings his eyes. The pain returns. And now he is dragged back into a world that had broken him.

It startled me at first, but the more I sat with it, the more it made sense. Sometimes, people do not want to be raised. Not at first. Think of those in the grip of addiction, despair, or numbness. The tomb can feel safer than the risk of living again. Yet Jesus, moved by the grief and faith of others (Martha, Mary, the community) calls the dead man out. Lazarus obeys. But he is still bound, head to foot. Jesus says to the bystanders, **"Untie him and let him go" (John 11:44).**

That is often how healing happens: slowly, reluctantly. Not just by a personal decision, but through the love and persistence of others. Resurrection is not always euphoric. It may begin in protest and confusion and only later turn to gratitude and freedom. But Christ's voice breaks through, anyway.

Lenten challenge: Who in your life needs to be called back to life? Pray for them. If that person is you, listen for the voice. It is calling even now. — *Father John Muir.* ©LPi

Wednesday, March 25, 2026

When either North Warren or Bolton Central school is delayed or cancelled, weekday morning Mass, the Rosary & Holy Hour are also CANCELLED!