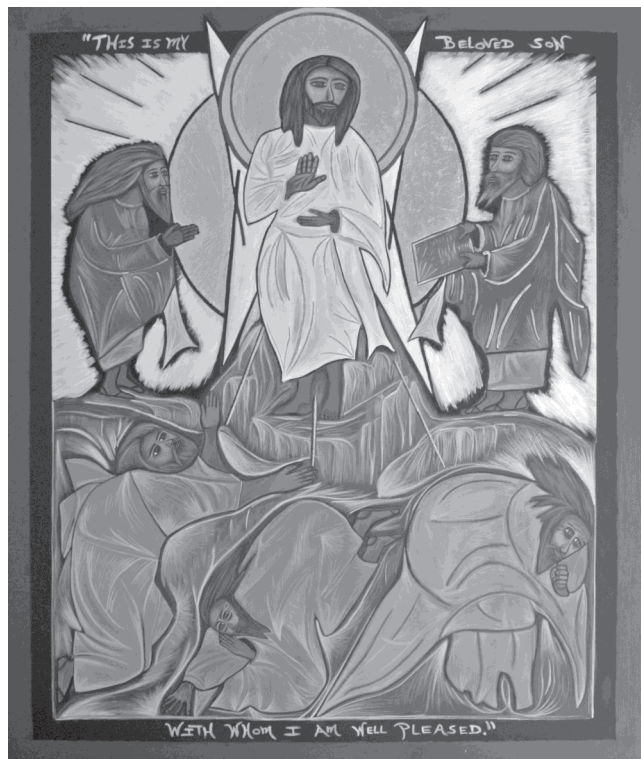


Transfiguration Parish



MISSION STATEMENT

We are a Catholic community united by love, illuminated by the Transfiguration of our Lord Jesus Christ. We gather as a People of God seeking unity through the Holy Spirit to Worship through the Sacred Liturgy, Prayer and Sacraments, and to proclaim the Christian message which promotes Justice, Reconciliation and Service through Evangelization, Faith Formation and Discipleship.

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

	Schaghticoke	Speigletown
Saturday:	4:00 p.m.	
Sunday:	8:30 a.m.	10:15 a.m.
Communion Service:	Tuesday 9:00 a.m.	Thursday 9:00 a.m.

SACRAMENTAL CELEBRATIONS

Sacrament of Reconciliation: By Appointment

Sacrament of Baptism: Please call the church office to make arrangements.

Sacrament of Marriage: Couples should call the church office at least 6 months in advance of the wedding date. A marriage preparation program is required for all couples. Please call the church office to make arrangements.

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Speigletown, Troy, NY 12182**

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*From the Desk of Deacon Chris....***PATIENCE IS A VIRTUE**

Most of us have probably been told at least once in our life that "Patience is a Virtue." Indeed, it is a virtue, but patience is also a two-way street. Consider how much patience Jesus has for each of us. Just think about how often we sin, and how often our sins are the same sins time and time again. Aren't we incredibly blessed that Jesus loves us so much that he remains patient with us, and forgives our sins every time we turn to him asking his mercy? Jesus is always patient with us, and never gives up on us.

How patient are we? I think we can all agree that we live in a society that does not promote patience. Everything is in the moment, and we seek immediate satisfaction. We don't have time to wait because our lives are way too busy for waiting. After all, our own satisfaction is what is most important, right? Even in our relationships with God, we expect immediate answers to our prayers, and our needs.

But God's ways are not our ways. God is timeless, and sometimes his answers come much later than we expect. The question is, "Do we have the patience to persevere in our prayer, and wait for the Lord?" Maybe we can learn something from a Chinese bamboo tree farmer.

Did you know that a Chinese bamboo tree can grow to a height of ninety feet, and can be used for all kinds of things from home construction to furniture to paper and pipes? Did you also know that the Chinese bamboo tree seed takes five years to sprout? The farmer must care for the seed every single day for five years without seeing any growth! Then the seed sprouts and reaches its full height in only six weeks! Now that is patience!

How good would it be if we had only a fraction of the bamboo tree farmer's patience, particularly in our relationship with Jesus? Psalm 27, which is titled, "Trust in God," concludes with these words, "Wait for the Lord, take courage; be stouthearted, wait for the Lord!" I think it could very easily say, "Have patience, and trust in the Lord." He will not disappoint. God bless.

Deacon Chris

Mass Schedule & Intentions**Saturday February 11**4:00 p.m. Sch **David Campbell**Deacon Charles &
Mary Anne Valenti**Sunday February 12**8:30 a.m. Sch **Frank Weisenforth**The Delair Family
Terri and Frank
The Family**Jon Chetwynd**10:15 a.m. Spe **Delores Vaiuso**Jack and Kathleen
Sanvidge**George Davin**Mr. & Mrs. Ronald
Mercier**Elizabeth M. Smith**Walt and Paula
Moran**Dick Lanoue**The Parishioners
of Transfiguration
Parish**Raymond, Sr. and****Raymond, Jr. Cloutier**

The Family

Tues. February 149:00 a.m. Sch **Communion Service****Thurs. February 16**9:00 a.m. Spe **Communion Service****Saturday February 18**4:00 p.m. Sch **Edgar Labrum**
Michael R. GullyDot Jackuback
The Marchese
Family**Sunday February 19**8:30 a.m. Sch **Leo Moran**Don and Cheri
Foster10:15 a.m. Spe **Elizabeth Smith**Tom and Cheryl
Wallingford**Terry Moran**Walt and Paula
Moran**Shirley Walsh**Walt and Paula
Moran**Edward Moran, Sr.**

Lloyd Hebert

Thank You Christian Service Outreach Team

Ten parishioners have come forward to volunteer to serve on the Christian Service core team. I want to thank all of them for their faithful stewardship of our parish. The first meeting of the Christian Service Team will take place in Speigletown on Thursday, February 16, 2017 at 10:00 am. Anyone who is interested in joining this most important ministry in our parish is welcome to attend the meeting.

Deacon Chris

REMINDER!!!

The site of the Saturday, 4:00 pm Mass will alternate each month. In February it will be in Schaghticoke for the entire month and in March the Mass will be in Speigletown, etc.

This Week's Parish Announcements

Thank you for your service next weekend February 18 and 19.

Schaghticoke Site:

ALTAR SERVERS

4:00 p.m. No Servers 8:30 a.m. Julia Carlo, Nevan
Doubleday and
Derek Cipolla

LECTORS

4:00 p.m. Donna Colligan 8:30 a.m. Paul Loatman

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

4:00 p.m. MA Arnold 8:30 a.m. Bob and Kathy
Donna Colligan Keyes

MONEY COUNTERS: (2/20) YELLOW TEAM -
B. Hebert, J. Kelly, G. Squires

Speigletown Site:

ALTAR SERVERS

10:15 a.m. Paulina and
AJ Sirtori

LECTORS

10:15 a.m. Hugh and Barbara
Graber

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

10:15 a.m. John Reardon
Deb Witkowski
Sandy Barrett

MONEY COUNTERS: (2/19) Diane Heer and Nancy Shellard

ALTAR LINENS: (2/19) Kate Coventry

TRANSFIGURATION PARISH NURSE PROGRAM

Pat Hebert, RN, MA, Faith Community Nurse

(518) 753-4554, ext. 13 p.hebert@transfigurationparish.net

Our mission is to model the healing ministry of Jesus Christ.

*Our Goal is to promote health & wellness within the values, beliefs, practices
of our faith community.*

Nurses' Note:

Blood Pressure Screening THIS weekend. Stop in and have your blood pressure checked and your blood sugar read by a Registered Nurse.

Health Tips: *Balancing act: A few minutes a day can protect your health. At the Fitness Academy Awards, cardio and resistance exercise get the diva treatment: red carpet, glitzy gowns, long-winded speeches, the works. Flexibility, nominated for a supporting role, feels underappreciated (yet extremely relaxed). But balance? Snubbed! Balance exercises may lack glamour, but they're not "extras." The ability to balance often declines with age, as does recovery time and bone density, creating a perfect storm for fall-related injuries. You don't have to be a tightrope walker, or a cat for that matter, to master balance. Both yoga and tai chi have been shown to improve balance when practiced regularly. But improving your balance can be even simpler! Cleveland Clinic fitness specialist Ryan Sidak offers four options for a balance exercise you can do at home in just minutes a day: 1. Stand on one foot for as long as you can, up to 60 seconds if possible, and then repeat on the other side. 2. When you've mastered that, try doing it with your eyes either closed or at half-mast — stand close to a counter or wall so you can steady yourself if necessary. 3. Next you can try standing on a couch pillow, eyes open. 4. Finally, stand on a couch pillow with your eyes closed (again, next to a wall or counter so you can steady yourself). It's really that simple! Subtle yet powerful, and extremely low-budget, balance exercises have serious chops. Here's to a 2017 Oscar nomination for balance! <http://www.clevelandclinicwellness.com>*

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

During the months of February and March, Transfiguration Parish will offer two programs for continued Adult Faith Formation. We will be offering a Bible Study program over five weeks based on the Sunday Gospels of Lent. The program will be facilitated by Hugh Graber, and all sessions will be held in Schaghticoke. There will be morning and evening sessions. The schedule is as follows:

BIBLE STUDY

Wednesday, February 15, 2017

at 10:00 am and 7:00 pm

Wednesday, February 22, 2017

at 10:00 am and 7:00 pm

Wednesday, March 8, 2017

at 10:00 am and 7:00 pm

Wednesday, March 15, 2017

at 10:00 am and 7:00 pm

Sessions will be interactive, and participants are asked to bring their own Bible. Bibles will be provided for those not having their own.

We are also offering a **Lenten Series** on Thursday nights during Lent. All sessions will begin at 7:00 pm, and will be offered in Schaghticoke. The schedule is as follows:

Adult Faith Formation - continued

LENTEN SERIES

March 9, 2017 – Lenten practices of Prayer, Fasting, & Almsgiving facilitated by Pat Rigney

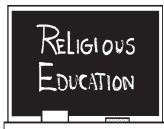
March 16, 2017 – Understanding the Mass facilitated by Deacon Charlie Valenti

March 23, 2017 – Tracing our Jewish Roots/Traditions facilitated by Beth Thayer

March 30, 2017 – Holy Week (Palm Sunday, Tenebrae, Holy Thursday) w/Deacon Chris Keough

April 6, 2017 – Holy Week (Good Friday and Easter Vigil) w/Deacon Chris Keough

Transfiguration Parish



YOUTH MINISTRY

Thank you to everyone who participated in our annual "SOUPER" BOWL. Our parish donated 164 food items and \$415.00 to the Pittstown Food Pantry. "WHENEVER YOU DO FOR THE LEAST OF OUR BRETHERN THAT YOU DO FOR ME"

SUNDAY TOGETHER

On Sunday, February 19th the Faith Formation Program will gather in Speigletown for 10:15 Mass followed by activities on the Mass presented by our Confiramndi. All are welcome to join us for this gathering.

**CAN AND BOTTLE DRIVE
CONTINUES**
Thank you for your support.
Contact Beth Thayer 235-0337



BOOK NOOK NEWS

The Book Nook is open Saturday morning, February 18 from 9:00 am until noon. The half-priced specials for this month are books written by J.A. Jance, Stuart Woods and Debbie Macomber. Of course, our cookbooks, biographies, history, self-help and religious sections are 6/\$1. We have a wonderful selection of children/young adult books and they are also 6/\$1. The romance section is busting at the seams, so all books in that section are 12/\$1. Please stop by and check us out. Last month's half-priced sale was a huge success and we thank you all for your continued support. See you at the Book Nook!

Tickets for the 2016-2017 Season PROCTOR'S THEATER IN SCHENECTADY

Please join us for:

The Sound of Music
April 9, 2017 - \$70.00 per ticket
40 Tickets Left

**The last day to purchase tickets for
The Sound of Music is March 1st.**

Beautiful - The Carol King Musical
April 14, 2017 - \$75.00 per ticket
6 Tickets Left

Contact Ellie DeBonis at the church office 235-0337 or E.Debonis@transfigurationparish.net for information. Please be prepared to make a 50% deposit on your ticket purchase at the time of your request for tickets.

WELCOME

No matter what your present status in the Catholic Church; no matter what your current family and marital situation; no matter what your personal history, age, race, ethnic origin, sexual orientation, physical condition; no matter what your own self-image; you are invited, welcomed, accepted, loved, and respected here at Transfiguration Parish.

UPCOMING EVENTS Please mark your calendars

2/13	Pastoral Council Meeting	6:30 pm	S Site
2/16	Christian Service Team Meeting	10:00 am	S Site
2/23	Liturgy Committee Meeting	6:30 pm	S Site

PARISHONER ON HER WAY TO MISSION

Kaitlyn Smith, a youth member of our parish is going on a mission to Guatemala. While there she will be working to build schools and a medical center in Xepocol to serve the Mayan people. There are three ways you can support Kaitlyn on this Mission

Your prayers for Kaitlyn's and her fellow missionaries safety during their time in Guatemala. Prayers for the people she will meet on this mission that they will feel the loving embrace of God through the actions of these missionaries.

The youth of our parish will be selling candy bars after Masses in the coming weeks for \$1.00 all funds from this sale will be used to support this mission trip.

In addition Kaitlyn is collecting children's clothing and shoes to take with her. Reminder that this is a tropical country so appropriate clothing for that climate will be accepted.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT.

OUR LADY OF FATIMA FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTIONS

at
St. Augustine's Church in Troy after the 9:00 am Mass
and
St. Mary's Church in Waterford after the 7:45 am Mass
Confession before Mass from 7:20 to 7:40 am

Offertory:

January 28 and 29

4:00	\$1,487.00
8:30	1,565.00
10:15	1,141.00

Week 31 of the annual budget

Budget = \$ 152,019.35
Collection = \$147,134.80
Shortfall = \$4,884.55

February 4 and 5

4:00	\$1,888.00
8:30	2,160.00
10:15	2,012.00

Week 32 of the annual budget

Budget = \$156,923.20
Collection = \$153,194.80
Shortfall = \$3,728.40

Thank you for your on-going generosity and continued commitment to your parish. Please consider increasing your weekly donation.

HOSPITAL VISIT

If you or someone you know will be a patient in one of the local hospitals and would like a visit from one of the Pastoral Staff, please notify either parish office at 753-4554 or 235-0337. A member of the Staff would be happy to visit and bring the Holy Eucharist when he/she knows of the situation. Thank you for your anticipated cooperation.

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