# 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

S	<b>Schaghticoke</b>	Speigletown
Saturday:	8	Speigletown 4:00 p.m.
Sunday:	8:30 a.m.	10:15 a.m.
3	Tuesday	Thursday
Communion Service:	9:00 a.m.	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.

#### 50 Hillview Drive Speigletown, Troy, NY 12182 Administrative Offices

Office Hours: Monday thru Friday - 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Phone: 518-235-0337 Fax: 518-235-8726

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3rd Sunday of Lent March 19, 2017

#### From the Desk of Deacon Chris.... **SPEND SOME QUIET TIME** WITH THE LORD

I hope many of you are taking advantage of the "Little Black Books" during this Lenten season. If you are, you are familiar with the words, "Spend some quiet time with the Lord." These words conclude the daily reflections given in the "Little Black Books", and they are words I try to follow during my days.

Finding some quiet time to spend with the Lord is not always easy, is it? Our everyday lives are full of noise and busyness. Have you ever been in situations where you want to say, or have said, "Be quiet. so I can think!" Sometimes it is impossible to think with so much noise all around us. We often feel we have to rush to make a decision even though we wish we had a little more quiet time to think about making the right decision.

Let's say that you are able to carve out some quiet time. What do you do then? Well, you can always spend time in prayer. Have a conversation with Jesus, and tell him what is on your mind. Do you have a difficult decision to make, or a situation that makes you feel uncomfortable? Tell Jesus! Ask for his guidance. Then, just listen! Spend some quiet time with the Lord, just listening.

Now I am not going to tell you the answer from the Lord will come to you immediately. Maybe it will, but our rush, rush society does not necessarily fit with God's plan for us. Sometimes we need to be patient with the Lord, just like he is always patient with us. But let me ask you this. Have you ever gotten a great idea, seemingly from out of the blue? Maybe the solution to your problem just popped into your mind. Have you ever considered that Jesus might be answering you, with the wisdom of God? I think Jesus does answer us, but sometimes we don't recognize Jesus working in our lives.

Our lives can sometimes get out of control with so many things going on. We feel we are being torn in so many directions that we become almost helpless to make good decisions. Perhaps those times when we feel trapped in life are the best times to, "Spend some quiet time with the Lord." Try it. I think it will help. God bless.

Deacon Chris

#### Mass Schedule & Intentions

Saturday March 18

4:00 p.m. Spe Larry and Eileen Kyer

Chris Fagan

Jack Graber Nick and Barbara

William Lanoue The Family

**Sunday** March 19

8:30 a.m. Sch Joseph E. Smith

10:15 a.m. Spe Elizabeth Smith

**Shirley Walsh** 

**Terry Moran** Jack Graber

Estate of Joseph

The Family

**Nicholas** 

**Nicholas** 

Nick and Barbara

E. Smith John and Ruth

Bauchiero

Carl and Martha

Cioffi

The Family Hugh and Barbara

Graher

Tues. March 21

9:00 a.m. Sch Communion Service

Thurs. March 23

9:00 a.m. Spe Communion Service

Saturday March 25

4:00 p.m. Spe Shirley Walsh

Joseph Primeau

Mary Anne Valente

**Jack Graber** Jackie Sullivan Ellie DeBonis Jean Sullivan

Wife, Barbara

Joe and Loretto

Marchese

Deacon Charles &

Sunday March 26

8:30 a.m. Sch Miloslav Januska

10:15 a.m. Spe

**Andrew Laswell** 

Carl and Martha

Cioffi

Hugh and Barbara Rosemary Struzenski

Graber

Jack and Kathleen **Christine Martone** 

Sanvidge The Family

Marianne McGreevy-

Martin

#### 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.

3rd Sunday of Lent March 19, 2017

#### This Week's Parish Announcements

Thank you for your service next weekend March 25 and 26.

Schaghticoke Site:

ALTAR SERVERS

8:30 a.m. Emma Carlo.

Katherine Rice

LECTORS

8:30 a.m. Pat Rigney

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

8:30 a.m. Erin Carknard

Jim Ryan

MONEY COUNTERS: (3/26) WHITE TEAM -

K. Madigan, P. Hayes, D. Carlo, J. Rowe

**Speigletown Site:** ALTAR SERVERS

4:00 p.m. No Servers 10:15 a.m. Maddie, Grace and

Emmie Shover

**LECTORS** 

4:00 p.m. Cindy Dunham 10:15 a.m. Mike Schongar

**EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS** 

4:00 p.m. Isabelle Churan 10:15 a.m. Sandy Barrett

Marge Brendese Maureen Filarecki Barb Colangione Jane Heslin

MONEY COUNTERS: (3/26) To be announced

ALTAR LINENS: (3/26) Mary Kay Oliver

#### **REMINDER!!!**

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

#### ADULT FAITH FORMATION

During the month of March, Transfiguration Parish will offer programs for continued Adult Faith Formation.

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:

#### LENTEN SERIES

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

March 30, 2017 – "Simply Peter" A Dramatic Monologue with Richard Harte as Peter.

April 6, 2017 – 'Holy Week" facilitated by Deacon Chris Keough

#### TRANSFIGURATION PARISH NURSE PROGRAM Pat Hebert, RN, MA, Faith Community Nurse

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

Health Tips: Safe travels: Five ways to prevent sickness when you fly. Tis the season for air travel – whether you're flying to the beach or the slopes – and the last thing anyone wants on vacation is to be sick. Fortunately, there's plenty you can do to help prevent illness. Try these tips recommended by Gustavo Ferrer, M.D., co-author of Cough Cures. and enjoy your travels! 1. Be clean. Take along some sanitary wipes, and clean your hands, especially before you eat. 2. Keep your hands to yourself. Avoid picking up germs spread by others by touching as few things as possible - from seats to restroom door handles. 3. Stay moist and hydrated. Protect yourself against the dry air on the plane, which dries out the mucous membranes inside your nose and throat that form a natural protective layer against viruses. Drink plenty of water, suck on herbal lozenges, and use a nasal spray before you board. 4. Gargle with a saline solution. Bring along a little salt to add to the water you can get from your flight attendant. Researchers in Japan found that people who gargle three times a day during cold and flu season had a 40 percent decrease in colds and coughs. 5. Drink to your health! Once you arrive at your destination, make yourself an immune-boosting drink using fresh lemon juice, honey and grated ginger. http://www.clevelandclinicwellness.com

#### **Prayer for Lent**

Loving God, as the season of lent unfolds, you call us to return again and again. As you invite us to reflect on our love made visible in the person of Jesus, align our lives more closely with you through prayer, fasting and generous giving. Bless our desire to accompany Jesus suffering here and now in the crucified people of our world. With your grace, may we live Lent fully and move with transformed hearts into the abundant life of Easter morning. Amen

#### **Transfiguration Parish NEW YORK YANKEES BUS TRIP**

New York Yankees vs. Detroit Tigers

August 2, 2017 at 1:05 pm

Price \$95.00

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- Bus departs from Transfiguration Parish South
- Departure Time TBA
- Seating Section 225 (3rd base line between 3rd base and home plate under over-hang)
- Tickets are on sale now. If a tickets are purchased and paid in full before Easter Sunday (April 16th) they are \$90.00 each - after Easter Sunday they are \$95.00 each. A \$50.00 deposit and \$45.00 balance is due by June 15th.



#### **Lenten Sacrifice**

During the Masses of Lent the children of our parish will bring forth "thorns" that signify the thorns they have removed from the Crown of Christ by their Lenten sacrifice.

#### REMINDER!!!

MOVIE - THE RISEN

SUNDAY, MARCH 19th 5:00 PM at the SPEIGLETOWN SITE

#### **EASTER BASKET DONATIONS**

We will be collecting items for children's Easter baskets from March 4th until April 9th. Items that we will need are: Chocolate Easter Bunnies, Peeps, Small Chocolate Candies, Fruit Snacks, Small Bags of Chips or Popcorn and Small Toys. We will have collection boxes at the entrances of our churches. We appreciate your generosity to the children who may go without treats for Easter.



#### **BOOK NOOK NEWS**

The Book Nook is open on Saturday, April 1 and April 15 from 9:00am until noon. We have had a lot of donations over the past few months so please stop by and see

our collection. The April half-price specials are on John Grisham, David Baldacci, Lisa Jackson and Mary Higgins Clark. Children/young adults are 6/\$1.00, as are cookbooks, historical novels, biographies, religion and self-help, romance novels are 12/\$1.00. Thank you for your continued support. Watch for our May-June Bag Sale Starting May 13th. Thank you for your continued support and 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

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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.

#### SUPER RAFFLE TICKETS ON SALE

Super Raffle tickets will go on sale during the Friday Night Fish Fry Dinners and after all masses starting this weekend. Tickets are \$100 each and you have the potential to win \$10,000. The drawing will be on July 15th.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Please mark your calendars

3/21 Lenten Luncheon 12:00 Noon N Site 3/23 3rd week of Lenten Series 7:00 pm N Site 3/24 Fish Fry Dinners Continue 4:00-7:00 S Site

#### **Offertory:**

#### **March 11 and 12**

Due to the publication schedule look for the Offertory Report in the bulletin next week.

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

#### SAVE THE DATE!!!!

The Evangelization Team will be hosting a

LADIES TEA on Saturday May 13th

in the Transfiguration Parish Hall at the South Site. More information to follow.

#### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

BIRTHRIGHT of Ballston Spa needs office volunteers to assist young women by listening to their concerns, helping with a self-administered pregnancy test, reviewing fetal development, and offering information on local community services. Birthright volunteers are compassionate, reliable, and dedicated to a 4-hour weekly commitment. The next 3-part training session is April 3, 10, and 17 from 9:00-11:00 a.m. If you are pro-life and can listen without judging, please call Susan at 430-7922 for more information.

# SAVE THE DATES!!!! LENTEN FISH FRY DINNERS Transfiguration Parish Hall South Site

Come-One-Come-All to the **Transfiguration Parish Annual Fish Fry**. The Fish Fry Dinners will be every Friday during the Lenten season (except Good Friday) **The dates are March 24, 31 and April 7.** You can either eat in or take out with dinners being served from 4-7 pm. Dinners will include a fish, fry, coleslaw and French Fries. Macaroni and Cheese will also be on the menu.

Fish Dinner - \$8.50 (Dinner includes Fish Fry, Fries & Cole Slaw) Fish Fry - \$4.50 French Fries - \$2.00 Cole Slaw - \$2.00 Mac 'n Cheese - \$4.50

Desserts and drinks will also be available for purchase. **HELP is needed**. Please give us a few hours of your time. Sign-up sheets are available at the entrances of the churches. Also, please consider signing up to make a dessert for us to sell at the dinners.

**The LENTEN LUNCHES** have begun at 12:00 Noon in Schaghticoke, and continue every Tuesday until April 4<sup>th</sup>. Please join us on Tuesdays to share this simple lunch of soup and bread and a brief reflection provided by our local congregation leaders as well as Transfiguration Parish.

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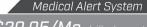
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