

# 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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***From the Desk of Deacon Chris...***

**A READING FROM THE  
HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO...**

This weekend is the last weekend of Year A of the Church year. Next weekend will begin Year B, and the Sunday Gospel readings will primarily come from the Gospel of Mark. Now we know each of the four Gospels are about the life and teachings of Jesus, but they are not all the same. The Gospels of Matthew, Mark, and Luke are called the Synoptic Gospels, and they do contain similar, even identical, chapters and verses. The Gospel of John is not like the other three, and is included in each of the three Church Years, particularly for special feast days and seasons.

Perhaps you wonder why the four Gospels vary like they do. One explanation which makes perfect sense is that each Gospel writer had a specific target audience they were writing to. For instance, St. Matthew's audience was primarily the Jewish community who he wanted to convince that Jesus is the promised Messiah the Jewish nation had been waiting centuries for. Much like companies create advertisements to appeal to a target audience, St. Matthew included in his Gospel many references to the Old Testament, attempting to show his readers that Jesus was the fulfillment of all the prophecies from the Old Testament. Mark, Luke, and John each had target audiences, and specific messages, that they wanted to convey to their readers. All the Gospels are wonderfully about Jesus, but they all vary to some degree and we greatly benefit from the differences.

I mentioned in a previous article that I have been taking a class through St. Bernard's on the parables of Jesus. The class ended a week ago, and I wish it could have gone on longer because I gained so much from it. I already knew that Jesus is the greatest teacher of all time, but the class on the parables allowed me to reflect even deeper on the teachings of Jesus that comes to us in each Gospel. Our instructor, Sr. Kitty Hanley encouraged us to read the parables several times, and just sit with them to see where they take us. I think that is excellent advice for the Gospels and parables, but also for all scripture writings found in the Bible.

I want to close with part of a prayer we often recited at the beginning of class. It really needs no explanation:

**Jesus, teacher and friend, you taught in parables;  
Help us hear your parables for the first time – and  
for the tenth time.**

**May your parables surprise us**

**Instruct us**

**Challenge us**

**Baffle us**

**Disturb us**

**Call us**

**Invite us into a deeper relationship with you.**

God bless.

*Deacon Chris*

***Mass Schedule & Intentions***

**Saturday November 25**

4:00 p.m. Spe	<b>Julio &amp; Jennie Francolini</b>	Michael and Carol Chico
	<b>Genevieve Rudzinski</b>	Michael and Carol Chico
	<b>Mary Shephard</b>	Michael and Carol Chico
	<b>Mario J. Zandri</b>	Michael and Carol\ Chico
	<b>Frank J. Bruce</b>	Tom and Cheryl Wallingford
	<b>Peter Gordon</b>	Ellen Gordon

**Sunday November 26**

8:30 a.m. Sch	<b>Miloslav Januska</b>	Wife, Barbara
10:15 a.m. Spe	<b>Marilyn Christian Kay Lanoue</b>	Don & Lisa Fane Rich & Peg Harte and Family
	<b>Michael Bartis</b>	Toni Brown and Family
	<b>Dr. Edward Murphy</b>	Deacon Charles and Mary Anne Valenti

**Tues. November 28**

9:00 a.m. Sch **Communion Service**

**Thur. November 30**

9:00 a.m. Sch **Communion Service**

**Saturday December 2**

4:00 p.m. Sch	<b>Will Rowe</b>	Bill & Judy Rowe
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**Sunday December 3**

8:30 a.m. Sch	<b>Henry Weglarz</b>	Jim & Pat Rigney
10:15 a.m. Spe	<b>Michael Bartis</b>	Dan and Linda Casey
	<b>Marilyn Christian</b>	Walt and Paula Moran
	<b>Maureen Glynn-Murray</b>	Walt and Paula Moran

**NOTICE!!!**

We pray for deceased relatives and friends at every Mass. If you have requested a Mass for a friend or loved one, we invite you to participate in the Offertory by bringing the gifts to the altar. Please notify one of the Ushers prior to Mass if you want to bring up the gifts to honor your deceased friend or loved one.

## This Week's Parish Announcements

*Thank you for your service next weekend December 2 and 3.*

### Schaghticoke Site:

#### ALTAR SERVERS

4:00 pm No Servers                      8:30 a.m To be announced

#### LECTORS

4:00 pm MA Arnold                      8:30 a.m. Pat Rigney

#### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

4:00 pm Donna Colligan              8:30 a.m. Margaret LaFortune  
Dot Jackuback                              Alicia McKinney

**MONEY COUNTERS:** (12/3) WHITE TEAM -  
K. Madigan, P. Hayes, D. Carlo, J. Rowe

### Speigletown Site:

#### ALTAR SERVERS

10:15 a.m. To be announced

#### LECTORS

10:15 a.m. Teresa Beamish

#### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

10:15 a.m. Debra Hebert  
Robin Jackson  
Mary Grace Purcell

**MONEY COUNTERS:** (12/3) Diane Heer, Nancy Shellard

**ALTAR LINENS:** (12/3) Kate Coventry

### OFFERTORY:

**No Offertory Report for November 25 and 26 due to  
bulletin publication schedule.**



### ANNUAL FRUIT SALE

The fruit will soon be here and **we need your help!!!** Sign up sheets are available on your way out of the Church for anyone who can help **unload the fruit on the evening of Thursday, November 30th at 6:00 pm** and/or **help pass out the fruit on Saturday or Sunday, December 2 and 3.** As always, the more help the easier the job! Please sign up today.

### ACCESS THE BULLETIN VIA OUR WEBSITE

The Transfiguration Parish website has been upgraded and has a 'new' look, with direct links to video, Facebook and much more. The weekly bulletin continues to be available to read and refer to each week. We invite everyone to visit the website at [www.transfigurationparish.net](http://www.transfigurationparish.net) and then type into the search bar "Bulletin". Like us on Facebook.

### TRANSFIGURATION PARISH NURSE PROGRAM

*Pat Hebert, RN, MA, Faith Community Nurse*

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*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' Notes:

**More Volunteers are still needed for "Two by Two", the Transfiguration Parish Faith in Action Team.** Join your fellow parishioners on this team that provides non-medical support and friendship to someone caring for a family member with dementia/Alzheimer. All volunteers are offered training and continued support. By belonging to this team you only give the time you can when you can because there are several of you to share the role of helping. **To receive more information, contact Pat Hebert @ 692-2135.**

**Health Tips:** Got 10 minutes? Put it toward your health! Feeling pressed for time? Welcome to the club. But if you feel like you can't squeeze in time for healthy routines, we have a challenge for you. Find 10 minutes. There's a lot of space between the ideal exercise, eating well, and stress management routines and none at all. Pick the habit below you most need to work on and spend 10 minutes doing it. If you want to jumpstart more than one habit, pick one for each day of the week. **Meditate:** Meditation can be as simple and doable as sitting in a comfortable position for five minutes with your eyes closed, using your breath as an anchor, and noticing your thoughts without judgment. **Walk briskly:** Yes, getting 30 minutes of moderate intensity exercise most days of the week is fantastic for your health. But 10 minutes is a lot more than nothing. First thing in the morning, at lunchtime, or after dinner, put on some comfortable shoes and hit the pavement. **Meal planning and prepping:** Do you have great intentions for making nutritious meals but find yourself short on time and grabbing processed meals instead? Spend 10 minutes coming up with a weekly meal plan, creating a grocery list, or prepping food. <http://www.clevelandclinicwellness.com>

### Tickets for the 2017-2018 Season PROCTOR'S THEATER IN SCHENECTADY

**Please join us for:**

#### Les Miserables

February 25, 2018 - 2:00 pm - \$73.00 per ticket

#### On Your Feet

June 3, 2018 - 2:00 pm - \$62.00 per ticket

Contact Ellie DeBonis at the church office 518/235-0337 or [E.Debonis@transfigurationparish.net](mailto: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.

### REMINDER!!!

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

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### GIVING TREES

The giving trees are up and decorated at each site. Please take a tag, purchase the gift and return the gift with the tag. All gifts should be returned by Dec 10. Gifts may be returned to either site. Thank you for making Christmas wishes come true for the children of our community.

**Christmas Pageant Rehearsal** will be held at the Speigle-town Site on the following dates:

**November 30**

**December 7, 14, and 21**

All rehearsals begin at 7:00 PM. Children from grades K to 3 are involved in the pageant. Children from grades 4 and up are involved in the choir, or as greeters and gift bearers.

### CAN AND BOTTLE DRIVE CONTINUES

Thank you for your continued support of our Bottle and Can Drive. Please consider asking neighbors and family members to collect for our youth ministry. **Thank you for your support. Contact Beth Thayer 518/235-0337.**



### BOOK NOOK NEWS

Thanksgiving is over and the Christmas holidays are just around the corner. What better gift than the gift of books! The Book Nook is bursting with many new 2016 and 2017 copyrights for purchase as holiday gifts. The **December half-priced specials are on books written by James Patterson, Lisa Scottoline, Danielle Steel and Debbie Macomber.** Some of today's top authors. The children/young adult books are 6/\$1 this month as well as the biographies, self-help, historical novels and religion. Please stop by on Saturday, December 2 or 16 from 9:00 am until noon, and check out our great selection.

### HELP MAKE.....

Christmas Centerpieces for Shut-ins of our parish. We also take them to past parishioners who are now in assisted living facilities and nursing homes. We will be assembling the centerpieces on **Sunday, December 3rd** after the 8:30 am Mass in Schaghticoke.

### 2017-2018 Transfiguration Parish Ski Program

will be on Friday evenings at 7:00 p.m. beginning January 12th, for 6 weeks at Willard Mountain. Lift, Lesson, and rental are \$165.00 before November 25th and \$185.00 after.... A pass for lessons and lift ticket are available for \$130.00 or \$150.00 after 11/25. Helmet purchase is available to ski program members for \$30.00 plus tax in the pro shop. For more information or to receive the Program Registration forms, please contact Sharon Frazee @ 235-8693. This is a wonderful deal and great way for kids and adults to learn how to ski.

### 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

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|--------|-------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------|
| 12/2-3 | <i>Florida Fruit Pick-up</i>                    | <i>TBA N/S Sites</i>                                    |
| 12/3   | <i>Blessing of the Outdoor Creche</i>           | <i>7:00 pm N Site hosted by The Knights of Columbus</i> |
| 12/5   | <i>Catholic Response to Immigration-6:30 pm</i> | <i>S Site presented by Deacon Walter Ayres</i>          |
| 12/10  | <i>Children's Christmas Party</i>               | <i>2:00 pm S Site</i>                                   |

## SAVE THE DATE!!!

### CELEBRATION OF FATHER INGEMIE'S 50<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF ORDINATION

**December 16<sup>th</sup>**

**Following the 4:00 Mass in Schaghticoke**

### HATS AND MITTENS

We are continuing to collect hats and mittens to be donated to children in our local elementary schools. If you are a "knitter" please consider knitting hats, mittens, scarves, or anything to keep our local school children warm during the winter. We are collecting ready-made items as well. Please help those children who might otherwise go without. **This collection drive will end on December 1.** Once again, thank you for your generosity.

### Save the Date!!!!

### CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY

**December 10th at 2:00 pm**

There will be many activities for the young people and parents of our Parish. We want to also extend an invitation to your grandchildren, nieces and nephews for an afternoon of fun. We will be doing crafts, decorating cookies, making reindeer food and there will be a visit from Santa with pictures. **We will need adult help at each of the entertainment stations to ensure the children have a great time.**

### PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

God our Father, You made each of us to use our gifts in the Body of Christ.

We ask that you inspire young people whom you call to priesthood and religious life to courageously follow your will.

Send workers into your great harvest so that the Gospel is preached, the poor are served with love, the suffering are comforted, and your people strengthened by the sacraments.

We ask this through Christ or Lord.

**Amen**

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