

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.

VISION STATEMENT

Transfiguration Parish is committed to continual growth in the Catholic Faith through a lifelong union with Jesus Christ, and in service to others through the ministry of the Church. We spread the Good News of His love and promote His Word through evangelization, education, reflection, and daily witness. As faithful stewards we pledge to direct and develop the spiritual, human, financial, and material resources of the Church. We respond to His love with gratitude and prayer, with compassionate service, generous sharing, reconciliation and equality for all.

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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...
WE ARE CALLED TO BE A
SAINT!

We have all heard that God calls us to sainthood. In his book, "Sacred Fire," Father Ronald Rolheiser writes about the transition from goodness to greatness. In other words, what does it take to go from being a good disciple of Jesus to becoming a great disciple, one who is worthy of the title, "Saint?" I want to share this poem written by Margaret Halaska which is titled, "Covenant." It speaks of God's invitation to sainthood, as well as our willingness to selflessly give all of ourselves to God's loving care. Finally, the poem reflects God's divine patience with us on our journey toward sainthood.

"Covenant"

The Father knocks at my door seeking a home for his son:

Rent is cheap, I say.

I don't want to rent. I want to buy, says God.

I'm not sure I want to sell, but you might come in to look around.

I think I will, says God.

I might let you have a room or two.

I like it, says, God, I'll take two. You might decide to give me more someday. I can wait, says God.

I'd like to give you more, but it's a bit difficult. I need some space for me.

I know, says God, but I'll wait. I like what I see.

Hm, maybe I can let you have another room. I really don't need that much.

Thanks, says God, I'll take it. I like what I see.

I'd like to give you the whole house but I'm not sure _____

Think on it, says God, I wouldn't put you out.

Your house would be mine and my son would live in it. You'd have more space than you'd ever had before.

I don't understand at all.

I know, says God, but I can't tell you about that.

You'll have to discover it for yourself. That can only happen if you let him have the whole house.

A bit risky, I say.

Yes, says God, but try me.

I'm not sure – I'll let you know.

I can wait, says God. I like what I see.

God bless.

Deacon Chris

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Saturday May 5

4:00 p.m. Spe

Molly DeCaprio

Jack and Kathleen
Sanvidge

Nancy Knickerbocker

Tom and Cheryl
Wallingford

Michael Bartis

Phil and Mary
Clemente

Will Rowe

The Rowe and
Collins Families

Harold and May Cone

Bob and Elinor
Gardner

Sunday May 6

8:30 a.m. Sch

Stacey Kirkwood

Bruce and Bonnie
Coraldi

10:15 a.m. Spe

Mary Beth Lanzillo

The Veneziano and
Brendese Families

Alice Doherty Burke

Mark & Gail Perry

Tues. May 8

9:00 a.m. Sch

Communion Service

Thurs. May 10

6:30 pm Sch

Feast of the Ascension
(Holy Day of Obligation)

Saturday May 12

4:00 p.m. Spe

Ann DeCaprio

Jack and Kathleen
Sanvidge

Elizabeth Russ

Jack and Kathleen
Sanvidge

Rose Etri

Tom and Cheryl
Wallingford

Mary Beth Lanzillo

Paul & Jean Hebert

Sunday May 13

8:30 a.m. Sch

Stacey Kirkwood

Don & Cheri Foster

10:15 a.m. Spe

Mary Beth Lanzillo

Midge Day

Aaron Desrosiers

The Family

Marge Weiss

Her Children and
Grandchildren

Marge Denio

The Family

Michael Bartis

Lynn Bartis

MEMORIAL ECUMENICAL SERVICE

On Sunday May 20, 2018, our parish will host a Memorial Ecumenical Service at our church in Speigletown. The service will begin at 3:00 pm, and Transfiguration Parish will join with other area Christian Worship Communities for an afternoon of prayer, song, and fellowship. Please join us for a wonderful afternoon as we come together as one to honor members of the Armed Services, past and present, and give praise and glory to God!

There will be a reception with coffee and refreshments following the service. Please contact the parish office if you can provide finger foods such as cookies, cupcakes, brownies, etc.

This Week's Parish Announcements

Thank you for your service next weekend May 12 and 13.

Schaghticoke Site:

ALTAR SERVERS

8:30 a.m. Emma Carlo
Katherine Rice

LECTORS

8:30 a.m. Cheri Foster

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

8:30 a.m. Bob and Kathy Keyes

MONEY COUNTERS: (5/14) YELLOW TEAM -

Bob Hebert, J.Kelly, G. Squires

Speigletown Site:

ALTAR SERVERS

4:00 pm No Servers 10:15 a.m. Paulina and
AJ Sirtori

LECTORS

4:00 pm Andre Foucher 10:15 a.m. Barb Colangione

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

4:00 pm Jean Sullivan 10:15 a.m. Claudia Mahoney
Cheryl Wallingford Jack Mahoney
Walt Lynick John Reardon

MONEY COUNTERS: (5/13) Walt and Gail Byrne

Jack and Barbara Burke

ALTAR LINENS: (5/13) Martha Cioffi

Transfiguration Parish NEW YORK YANKEES BUS TRIP

August 16, 2018

We have sold all the tickets we have available to fill one bus for the NY Yankees vs. Tampa Bay Rays baseball game. If you are interested, please place your name and number of tickets you would like on our waitlist. A sign-up sheet is available at the entrances of our churches or call 518/235-0337.

CONCERT

On **May 12th 2018** there will be a **performance by The Yale Alley Cats**, an A Cappella group from Yale University. The performance will take place in **Speigletown at 7:00 pm**.

Tickets will be on sale at the door.

Adults \$12.00

Children under 16 are \$5.00.

All proceeds go to The Yale Alley Cats. This group features Jacob Clemente who was a member of St. Bonaventure Parish as a child. Jacob is a local talent who performed on Broadway in the musicals Gypsy and Billy Elliot and now attends Yale University.

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.

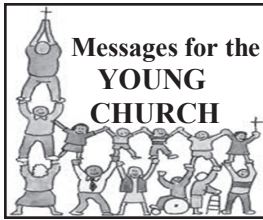
Nurses' Notes:

Reminder: Blood Pressure screening next week. Stop by before or after Mass throughout the weekend to have your blood pressure checked

Are you caring for someone suffering with a memory disorder: Need a break? Transfiguration Parish is proud to offer "Two by Two", a Faith in Action Care Team from Transfiguration North & South in cooperation with the Eddy Alzheimer's Services. This team of compassionate trained volunteers from our own parish provides social support to individuals and families living with Alzheimer's disease or other memory impairment disorders. This Care Team provides respite, friendly visits and is prepared to pick up prescription or groceries or prepare a meal if needed. **For more information contact Pat Hebert at the number listed above**

Health Tips: Protect yourself from other people's stress! Did you know that there was once a "laughter epidemic" in a village in Tanganyika (now Tanzania), which lasted for months? That's an extreme example of how contagious feelings can be! For our highly social species, smiles, yawns, and tears are catchy, too. And so is stress. If your partner has ever come home very tense at the end of the day and your head or stomach started hurting soon after, you weren't imagining things. In a remarkable preliminary study, pairs of mice were separated and one was subjected to mild stress. When the mouse returned to its partner, it showed changes in neurons that are involved in the stress response. No surprise there. But the neurons in the mouse that hadn't undergone stress showed identical changes. We are not mice, of course, but this experiment may help explain why stress is transferred easily between humans, too. How can you keep from "catching" stress? Start by being aware of the contagious nature of stress, and keep a collection of stress-management practices in your metaphorical back pocket. If you're going to visit a family member who is frequently worked up about something (or everything), a little deep breathing before and after may help you to stay calm. By the same token, if you have a stressful day, take a brisk walk or go to a yoga class before you get home, if possible, rather than unloading on family members. Laughter is excellent medicine for stress, too, and don't worry, it won't lead to an epidemic. .
<http://www.clevelandclinicwellness.com>

BIRTHRIGHT of Ballston Spa – will be offering fresh carnations for a \$1 donation after all masses on May 12 & 13 in celebration of Mother's Day. Proceeds from this sale will benefit women who need support through an unplanned pregnancy. Your continued support of this fundraiser is truly appreciated.



As of April 29th, we had only received 2 registrations for VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL so due to lack of interest **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL IS CANCELLED.**

This Sunday, **May 6th** 19 members of our parish will received their **First Holy Communion**. Please keep them in your prayers. Brielle Chapko, Cole Chapko, Jon A Chetwynd, Thomas Chetwynd, Fiona Coffin, Evan Dauphinais, Reese Faden, Matthew Fitzgerald, Owen Harder, Jackson Hurley, Brennan Michel, Ryan Morrissey, Laura Rice, Andrew Rowinski, Andrea Sassatelli, Emil Schmidt, Aiden Storm, Broedy Tompkins, Justin Valade

Confirmation

Please hold our Confirmandi in your prayers as they receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on **May 24th at 7:30 PM at the Speigletown Site**. Prayer cards are available at the doors of the church.

I found this in a book written by Father Ronald Rolheiser titled, "Sacred Fire, A Vision for a Deeper Human and Christian Maturity." This begins chapter six in the book which is titled, "Drawing Strength From Prayer." I think it is worth sharing.

Deacon Chris

The Difference

By Grace L. Naessens

I got up early one morning and rushed right into the day;
I had so much to accomplish, I didn't have time to pray.

Problems just tumbled about me and grew heavier with each task;
Why doesn't God help me, I wondered; He answered, "You didn't ask."

I wanted to see joy and beauty, but the day toiled on, gray and bleak;
I wondered why God didn't show me – He said, "But you didn't seek."

I tried to come into God's presence; I used all my keys at the lock;
God gently and lovingly chided, "My child, you didn't knock."

I woke up early this morning and paused before entering the day;
I had so much to accomplish that I had to take time to pray.



BOOK NOOK NEWS

The 10th Anniversary Blow-out \$5/Bag Book Sale is here! The Book Nook is celebrating 10 years! It will be **open every Saturday morning in May, beginning Saturday, May 5** from 9:00

am until noon **for their 10th Anniversary \$5/bag sale.** It will also be open before and after the Masses during May. So many books....so little room! The triple classroom will once again be filled with books from your favorite authors and some you've never heard of. There are biographies, romance, history, cook-books, religious, self-help, antique books, CD's, DVD's and of course children and young adult books. **This sale only happens twice a year, so don't miss out!** Bring your own bag or use one of ours -- no bag is too big or too small! On that note....we can always use more donations. Please drop off your gently-used books during church office hours. Thank you for your continued support and see you at the Book Nook!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Please mark your calendars

- 5/5-6 **Commitment Weekend - 2018 Bishop's Appeal**
- 5/6 **First Holy Communion Mass** 12:00 Noon S Site
- 5/8 **Finance Committee Meeting** 6:00 pm S Site
- 5/10 **Mass for the Feast of the Ascension** 6:30 pm N Site
(Holy Day of Obligation)

SCHAGHTICOKE FAIR FOOD BOOTH
Wednesday, August 29th - Monday, September 3rd

We have Day Captains for everyday but, Monday, September 3rd. This is Labor Day and it is a big day not only because of the crowd, but it is one of our best profit making days. It would be ideal to have co-captains for that day. If you and a relative or friend would consider volunteering for this important day, please contact the church offices at 518/235-0337 or 518/753-4554. **We have a planning meeting scheduled for May 7th at 6:00 pm at our Speigletown Site.** Please come with your ideas and how you can help. Do not hesitate to volunteer as we are always in need of help.

Offertory Report:

April 28 and 29

4:00 \$1,016.00

8:30 2,003.00

10:15 1,629.00

On-line 238.65

Week 44 of the 2017-2018 Budget

Budget = \$224,739.72

Collection = \$230,380.58

Surplus = \$5,640.86

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

GARAGE SALE

Save the dates and save your treasures!

The 9th Annual Parish-wide Garage Sale

Friday, August 31st and Saturday, September 1st

If you're spring cleaning, please set aside your used, unused or unwanted items for this important fund-raiser. Call 235-0337 for more information.

We are having a planning meeting on May 15th at 6:00 pm at our Speigletown Site. We are looking for someone to Co-chair this event. It is a lot of work and you are busy for many days and weeks before the event. We are looking for someone to help share the responsibility. Please try to attend the meeting and bring any new and fresh ideas to help to continue to make this huge fundraiser a another big success.

WORDS TO LIVE BY

“Whenever anything disagreeable happens to you, remember Christ crucified and be silent.”

St. John of the Cross

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