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

Saturday: 4:00 p.m.
Sunday: 8:30 a.m.
Tuesday 7:00 a.m.
Communion Service: 9:00 a.m.
Schaghticoke 4:00 p.m.
Tuesday 7:00:15 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...

THE MORE I LEARN...

You may be wondering why I did not finish the sentence above. I chose not to finish it because I decided there are at least two good ways to complete the sentence. I reached that conclusion after having recently attended several ongoing faith formation presentations in our parish and diocese. On September 22. Patricia and I travelled to the Shrine of the North American Martyrs for the Diocesan Eucharistic Congress. One September 30, Sister Kitty Hanley gave a presentation at our parish titled, "Prayer – Relaxing with God." On October 16, Rabbi Debora Gordon came to Transfiguration to give a presentation on Judaism. Finally, on October 20, I attended a Deacon Study Day at the Pastoral Center, and we heard Father Jim Kane give an excellent presentation titled. "Women in the Bible."

All of these excellent and varied presentations presented me with the two options for completing the sentence, "The More I Learn." First, I would say this; the more I learn, the more I realize I still have a lot to learn. Practically every ongoing formation presentation I attend gives me things I never knew about my faith and my relationship with Jesus. That leads me to my next sentence conclusion, which is, the more I learn, the more I want to learn. For instance, did you know there are 1872 women mentioned in the Bible: 189 are named and 1683 are not named? I found that out from Fr. Kane's presentation on women in the Bible, and his teaching and insights make me want to learn more.

Learning and ongoing faith formation is meant to be a life-long process. If you are anything like me, learning is part of the stages of your life. We all go through elementary, middle, and high school, and many go on to college. Along the way, we learn many things that we can apply to our life. Honestly, I went to college mostly because my parents wanted that for me, so I attended the same college my older brother did. Don't get me wrong; college was wonderful, but I attended more because it was an expectation of me than it was my choice. My graduate studies and my formation for the Permanent Diaconate were much different. In both cases, I wanted to attend, so I could learn more. I found these experiences much more fulfilling, just like ongoing learning and faith formation presentations are very beneficial for me.

I hope and pray that all of us recognize that we still have so much to learn about life, and to learn about our loving relationship with God. I hope you will join me in attending future ongoing faith formation presentations in our parish so you too can say, "The more I learn..." God bless.

Deacon Chris

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Saturday October 27

4:00 p.m. Sch Frank Frisino Barb King & Family Joseph E. Smith Estate of Joseph E. Smith

Sunday October 28

8:30 a.m. Sch Brady Waite Cheri & Don Foster
Margaret Romeyn Pat & Jim Rigney
Dorothy Evelyn Madigan Mary Ellen Schroder

& Family

10:15 a.m. Spe Jack Harte Tom & Cheryl

Wallingford

Sophie George des Vergas Pol Beth Thayer
C. Leo Fillion Cynthia Dunham
Willis Wiley The Family
Mike McGraw Walter & Paula Moran

October 30

9:00 a.m. Sch Communion Service

Thurs. October 31

9:00 a.m. Spe Communion Service

Saturday November 3

Tues.

4:00 p.m. Spe Alma & Burton Feathers John & Kathy Farina Mildred Hart John & Kathy Farina

Ed Manny Ed & Karen Murray

Sunday November 4

8:30 a.m. Sch Alice Tate Alice Tate Estate

Margaret Romeyn Anne & Sean Denvir Dorothy Evelyn Madigan Mary Ellen Schroder

& Family

10:15 a.m. Spe Jack Harte Ann Wiley & Family

James Millett Vanessa Clemente Michael Maloney Hugh & Barbara Graber

JOIN THE NEW PARISH ACTIVITY COMMITTEE!

We are searching for volunteers for a new parish activity committee in our parish. The committee will help plan and implement all non-fundraising activities in our parish community. We are searching for people with new ideas for building relationships through fun, interesting activities for young and old. Evangelization begins through relationships with one another and God.

Please join the activity team, and bring your ideas!

Anyone who is interested in joining this exciting, new activity committee can contact the parish offices at 518-235-0337 04 518-753-4554. You can also contact Jim Johnson, who has volunteered to chair the Activity Committee, at 518-788-8092.

Catholics and Immigration—What we teach and what we do Monday, October 29, 2018 @ 7:00 pm

St. Michael the Archangel Church,175 Williams Rd, Troy A panel discussion with:

Deacon Walter Avres, Director of Catholic Charities

Commission on Peace and Justice

Jill Peckenpaugh, Director of the US Committee For Refugees & Immigrants Paula Read, Immigration Counselor with Catholic Charities

This Week's Parish Announcements

Thank you for your service. Next weekend — November 3 & 4

Schaghticoke Site:

ALTAR SERVERS

4:00 pm No Servers 8:30 a.m Juliea Carlo, Derek Cipolla

& Nevan Doubleday

LECTORS

8:30 a.m. Paul Loatman

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

8:30 a.m. Erin Carknard & Margaret La Fortune

MONEY COUNTERS: (11/4) White Team

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

Speigletown Site: ALTAR SERVERS

4:00 pm No Servers 10:15 a.m. Gaetana, Sofia &

Vincenzio Baldwin

LECTORS

4:00 pm Walt Byrne 10:15 a.m. Teresa Beamish

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

4:00pm Jack Sanvidge 10:15 a.m. Sandy Barrett

Kathleen Sanvidge Marge Brendese Jerry Steele Barb Colandione

MONEY COUNTERS: (11/4) Diane Heer

Nancy Shellard

ALTAR LINENS: (11/4) Diane Heer

All Souls Day

Will be celebrated on **November 2nd** in **Speigletown** at **6:30PM**. Any parishioner who has lost a family member <u>in this past year</u> & would like them to be remembered at this please contact Martha Cioffi (518)235-7743 or call the office (518) 235-0337.

EMERGENCY COLLECTION FOR HUMANITARIAN AID

An emergency collection will be taken up next weekend (Nov. 3-4) for humanitarian aid and the needs of churches devastated by the storms in the South and Southeast regions of the United States in September and October. This emergency collection is intended to cover needs created by future 2018 storms/calamities.

To donate, make your check payable to the parish – in the memo portion write: 2018 Disasters Emergency Collection. Our parish will send one check to Catholic Charities and 100% of the donations will go to the 2018 Disasters Collection.

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: Reach out and thank someone! Do you ever shy away from expressing your thanks for something you appreciated? It's time to break that habit. Not only does it feel fantastic to the person on the receiving end, it feels good to focus on what you're grateful for. There's loads of research on the health benefits of gratitude (greater life satisfaction, better sleep, even improved physical health) and researchers recently set out to determine why people are sometimes reluctant to express their appreciation directly to another person. Participants were asked to send someone in their life a letter of gratitude and to predict how the recipient would react. After the letter was sent, the researchers compared these predictions to the recipients' actual reactions. Researchers found that the senders overestimated how awkward the recipient would feel and underestimated how happy they'd be to get the letter. The senders also worried needlessly that the recipients would judge their writing harshly; in fact, what mattered to the recipients was the warmth of the note. Clearly, when you express thanks, whether in a letter, by phone, or in person, everyone wins. http://www.clevelandclinicwellness.co

CATHOLICS CARE. CATHOLICS VOTE. PARTICIPATE IN POLITICAL LIFE

In their statement on Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship, the U.S. Catholic bishops remind Catholics about the call to participate in political life. "In the Catholic tradition," they write, "responsible citizenship is a virtue, and participation in political life is a moral obligation" (no. 13).

Visit www.faithfulcitizenship.org today to read the statement, watch videos, and access other great resources.



Faith Formation Sessions for 2018 - 2019 have be-

gun. If you have not yet registered it is not too late! See Beth Thayer after the 8:30 or 10:15 Mass to register your child. If you have questions call Beth at 518 235 0337.

Children's Liturgy of the Word is a program to assist the youngest members of our congregation in hearing the Word of God. *This program is open to children who are Pre-K, K and First Grade age. When a child is in the Second Grade they need to be fully participating in the Mass as they are preparing for First communion.

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 Thaver 518/235-0337

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.

Offertory Report: October 20 & 21

4:00 \$ 950.00 8:30 1,43200 10:15 1,395.00 On-line 284.34

Week 17 of the 2018-2019 Budget Budget = \$87.198.41Collection = \$82624.68

Shortfall = \$4,573.73

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

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

"I am the living bread that came down from heaven," says the Lord.

Put God in your marriage by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next Weekend is November 3-4, 2018 in ABANY, NY. For more information, call Ed & Rhonda Staats at 518-279-3243 or vishttps://w.wwmenvalb.org. it them at:

UPCOMING EVENTS Please mark your calendars

11/5 Fruit Orders Due

Spgltown

The **Back Pack Program** supplies at risk children with food for the weekend. We will be aiding Turnpike, Rensslaer and soon, Hoosic Valley, schools. Suggested items: Mac & Cheese (boxed or single, microwaveable ones), pasta, soups, spaghettios, single serve meals for microwave, fruit snacks, single serve cereal, fruit cups. Please—NO PEANUT PRODUCTS

Boxes will be at the entrances of churches. If you would like to help, please call the office.

~THANKSGIVING BASKET COLLECTIONS ~

We are hoping to fill many baskets for families in our local area. Boxes for donations are at the church entrances.

FRUIT SALE

All orders **must be in by November 5th!**

Help is needed to unload and sort fruit orders on Dec. 6th. For questions or to offer assistance, please call the office or Sean Fogarty at 518-268-8451.

BOOK NOOK NEWS

The Book Nook is open November 3 from 9:00 am until noon. Our donations have been pouring in and we have a great selection of books by your favorite authors. The November

half-priced authors are Mary Higgins Clark, Harlan Coben Clive Cussler & Debbie Macomber. The children's and young adult books are 6/\$1, as are the cookbooks, religious and history. Thanks for your continued support and see you at the Book Nook!

Transfiguration Parish's Ski Program Willard Mountain

- —ages 8 to adult
- —begins on Friday, January 11th
- —5 to 6:30 pm

Lift and lesson—\$130 before Nov. 25

Lift, lesson & rental—\$165 before Nov. 25

After November 25, please add \$20 to these prices.

contact Sharon Frazee at 518-235-8693 Please bfrazee@nycap.rr.com for more information and for registration form.

WORDS TO LIVE BY

"Hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us."

~Romans 5

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