

# 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...*

**THINGS I THINK ABOUT**

Most of you probably know that I am a sports fan, and I root for professional teams from Boston such as the Patriots, the Celtics, and the Red Sox. As I write this article on Monday, October 29, I am still caught up in the joy of the Red Sox winning the World Series last night! One observation about the new champions is how much they were truly a team. Every player on the roster made a contribution to the success of the team, and it reminds me of our parish. St. Paul wrote to the Corinthians that we are many parts, but one body in Christ. Yes, we are all individuals, but collectively we make up the body of Transfiguration Parish, and we all contribute in one way or another. Just like the Red Sox players and all their fans are rejoicing now, we too can rejoice as the Body of Christ knowing that each of us is loved by Jesus. Sports victories come and go, but the most important truth is knowing Jesus loves me, and he loves you too! Now that is cause for rejoicing!

In no particular order, here are some other things I have been thinking about:

We are nearing the end of another Church year with Advent Season beginning in December. Advent is a blessed season of joyful prayer and preparation for the nativity of the Lord. We have the opportunity to reflect on Jesus past, present, and future. I encourage everyone to dedicate more time to prayer and reflection on how Jesus' real presence enhances your life.

There are times that I wonder why people habitually arrive for Mass late, or leave Mass early. I understand there are sometimes valid reasons for one or the other, but when it happens every week it shows a pattern which can be corrected. I am certainly not judging those who arrive late, or leave early, but I do wonder if it is wise to miss out on the grace and blessings of the entire Mass.

Sometimes even the seemingly smallest act can bring a sense of joy to me. A couple weeks ago at Mass, I was very happy as I heard one of the altar servers singing and praying during the Mass! I think about how wonderful our Eucharistic Celebrations would be if every person in the church joined in singing the songs, and praying the prayers. Of course, I am happy when people attend Mass, but it would make me even happier than the Red Sox winning the World Series if everyone joined together giving glory and praise to God in the Eucharist.

Finally, I ask everyone to pray for our Jewish brothers and sisters and all who suffered from the evil act at the synagogue in Pittsburgh. Racism, hatred, and violence cannot be tolerated in our nation, and our world. Please join me in praying for God's healing, wisdom, and love. God bless.

*Deacon Chris*

**Mass Schedule & Intentions**

<b>Saturday November 3</b>		
4:00 p.m.	Spe Alma & Burton Feathers Mildred Hart Ed Manny	John & Kathy Farina John & Kathy Farina Ed & Karen Murray
<b>Sunday November 4</b>		
8:30 a.m.	Sch Alice Tate Margaret Romeyn Dorothy Evelyn Madigan	Alice Tate Estate Anne & Sean Denvir Mary Ellen Schroder & Family
10:15 a.m.	Spe Jack Harte James Millett Michael Maloney	Ann Wiley & Family Vanessa Clemente Hugh & Barbara Grabner
<b>Tues. November 6</b>		
9:00 a.m.	Sch <b>Communion Service</b>	
<b>Thurs. November 8</b>		
9:00 a.m.	Spe <b>Communion Service</b>	
<b>Saturday November 10</b>		
4:00 p.m.	Spe Thomas King Bev Krauss Hussey Leo Fillion  Clifford Rocque  Will Rowe & deceased members of the Rowe Family	The Family Dorothy & Greg Lewis Jack & Kathleen Sanvidge Mary & Gene Posniewski Rowe & Collins Families
<b>Sunday November 11</b>		
8:30 a.m.	Sch Joseph E. Smith Dorothy Evelyn Madigan	Estate of Joseph E. Smith Mary Ellen Schroder & Family
10:15 a.m.	Spe Carol Rogalski Jack Harte Michael McGraw	The Family Loretto & Joe Marchese Betsy & Dick Harte

**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 or 518-753-4554. You can also contact Jim Johnson, who has volunteered to chair the Activity Committee, at 518-788-8092.

**BIRTHRIGHT** extends a sincere ***“Thank You”*** to all parishioners who participated in our Respect Life Sunday Baby Bottle Boomerang fundraiser. Your generous outpouring of love and support enables us to continue assisting pregnant women and families who desperately need help. We would like to remind you that any **outstanding bottles are due back.** Please drop them in the designated boxes as soon as you can.

## This Week's Parish Announcements

*Thank you for your service. Next weekend — November 10 & 11*

### Schaghticoke Site:

#### ALTAR SERVERS

4:00 pm No Servers 8:30 a.m. Megan & Thomas Rice

#### LECTORS

8:30 a.m. Pat Rigney

#### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

8:30 a.m. Bob & Kathy Keyes

#### MONEY COUNTERS: (11/11) Yellow Team

B. Hebert, J. Kelly, G. Squires

### Speigletown Site:

#### ALTAR SERVERS

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

#### LECTORS

4:00 pm Jerry Steele 10:15 a.m. Sandy Barrett

#### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

4:00pm Maureen Filarecki 10:15 a.m. Deb Hebert  
Jane Heslin Ellie DeBonis  
Paula Garneau Marge Brendese

#### MONEY COUNTERS: (11/11) Maureen Filarecki, Rose Cosgrove

#### ALTAR LINENS: (11/11) Mary Kay Oliver

### 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.

### EMERGENCY COLLECTION FOR HUMANITARIAN AID

An emergency collection will be taken up this 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 Collec-

### 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:

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.

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

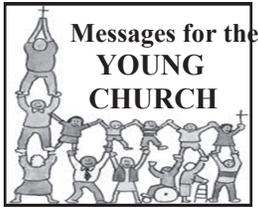
**Health Tips:** Water is life — and brain food. But don't forget plenty of water! You need it for your body's basic functioning and your brain power. According to new research, you don't have to run a marathon or get lost in a desert to experience the effects of dehydration, including impaired thinking ability. Researchers found that getting dehydrated affects our ability to perform tasks that require paying attention, and it can happen faster than you might think. For example, doing vigorous yardwork for a few hours without drinking can lead to acute dehydration, which can make it difficult to focus, drive, and complete tasks that require attention, coordination, or problem-solving. So how much water is enough? There's no set amount for everyone. It depends on your weight, activity level, and the weather. The best way to gauge your level of hydration is the pee test: If your urine is clear or light yellow, that's a good sign you're drinking enough. Bear in mind that alcoholic beverages can dehydrate the body (sorry!). Keep in mind that you need extra liquid in warm weather, and on days spent exercising or being otherwise active, it's a good idea to "pre-hydrate" with a couple glasses of water an hour or two before the activity. Keep drinking while you're active, and have more when you're done. Water is your best bet for staying hydrated, but if you're doing intense exercise for an extended period of time, a sports drink can help you recoup the sodium and potassium you lose through sweat, along with the fluid. <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](http://www.faithfulcitizenship.org) today to read the statement, watch videos, and access other great resources.

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Faith Formation Sessions for 2018 – 2019 have begun.

**\*If you have not completed the registration forms and your child is attending the sessions—**please 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

### 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

## REMINDER!!!

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

<b>Offertory Report:</b>	<b>October 27 &amp; 28</b>
	4:00 \$1,339.00
	8:30 1,572.00
	10:15 1,153.25
	On-line 458.65
<b>Week 18 of the 2018-2019 Budget</b>	
	<b>Budget = \$92,333.10</b>
	<b>Collection = \$87,147.58</b>
	<b>Shortfall = \$5,185.52</b>

*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.*

## ON-LINE GIVING

We have been given the opportunity to establish a profile using the On-Line Giving button on the Transfiguration Parish website. Some of our parishioners are using this computerized way to make regular contributions via the internet. We are encouraging everyone to do so. The direct link to set up your individualized profile is <https://goo.gl/3v3t3A>. You cannot access On-Line Giving through the My Parish App. Please consider this easy way to make regular contributions to Transfiguration Parish. If you choose this option you will not receive boxed envelopes.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

*Please mark your calendars*

11/7 Liturgy Meeting 6:30 pm Speigletown

The **Back Pack Program** supplies at risk children with food for the weekend. We will be aiding Turnpike, Rensselaer and soon, Hoosic Valley, schools. Suggested items: Mac & Cheese (boxed or single, microwaveable ones), pasta, soups, spaghetti, 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 Monday, 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 17 from 9:00 am until noon.** We have had a great selection of donations dropped off, so you should stop by and see what's new! The November half-priced authors are Mary Higgins Clark, Harlan Coben, Clive Cussler and Debbie Macomber. The children 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.

Please contact Sharon Frazee at 518-235-8693 or [bfrazee@nycap.rr.com](mailto:bfrazee@nycap.rr.com) for more information and for registration form.

## WORDS TO LIVE BY

“In meditation we find the strength to bring Christ to birth in ourselves and in others.”

~St. Charles Borromeo

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