

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.

From the Desk of Deacon Chris...

SHARE YOUR GIFTS
IN THE HOLY EUCHARIST

Some of you may have made a New Year's Resolution to be more involved in the parish. If that is the case, this article will offer you three important ministries that serve our Celebration of the Mass, the Holy Eucharist. We are always recruiting new people to serve these very important functions. One or more of these ministries might be just what you are looking for.

Reader – When you were in elementary school, and the teacher asked for a volunteer to read a passage from a book to the class, did your hand go up right away? Do you enjoy reading aloud, and miss the opportunity to do so? Perhaps the ministry of Reader at Mass is just right for you. Imagine the opportunity to proclaim the Word of God to fellow parishioners! The very best Readers are those who practice, practice, practice! They prepare to read at Mass by reading the scriptures aloud to themselves over and over again. Readers can help make the Word of God come alive!

Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist – After Jesus multiplied the loaves and the fish, He gave the baskets to His disciples to distribute the food to the people assembled. In an even greater way, Jesus gives the Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist His living Body and Blood to distribute to the people assembled. Holy Communion is the high point of the Liturgy of the Eucharist as Jesus shares with us the bread of eternal life and the cup of salvation. The ministry of Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist is awe inspiring and humbling at the same time!

Sacristan – It is quite possible that many people are not even aware of this ministry, and those who faithfully serve as Sacristans probably prefer it that way. Are you the type of person who wants to serve, but prefer serving in the background? You really do not want any recognition, or the limelight. If that describes you, the important ministry of Sacristan might be just right for you. The Sacristan is the person who prepares everything needed for Mass. They work behind the scenes making sure that everything that is necessary for the Mass is there. After Mass, the Sacristan cleans up, and puts everything away. This largely anonymous, but extremely important, ministry might be perfect for you!

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Saturday January 12		
4:00 p.m.	Spe Jonathan Bayly Philippa Koval Nicholas Moreno	The Family Tom & Cheryl Wallingford Rose Cosgrove
Sunday January 13		
8:30 a.m.	Sch Dorothy Evelyn Madigan Joseph E. Smith	Mary Ellen Schroder & Family Estate of Joseph E. Smith
10:15 a.m.	Spe Anna Messick Joan Weglarz	Walter & Paula Moran Brendese & Venaziano Families
Tues. January 15		
9:00 a.m.	Sch Communion Service	
Thurs. January 17		
9:00 a.m.	Spe Communion Service	
Saturday January 19		
4:00 p.m.	Spl Helen Snyder Mary Kisselback Sr. Geraldine Corkrey	Gene & Mary Posniewski Deacon Charles & Mary Anne Valenti Tom & Cheryl Wallingford
Sunday January 20		
8:30 a.m.	Sch Dorothy Evelyn Madigan William "Bill" Van Alstyne Norman Serson	Mary Ellen Schroder & Family Beth Thayer Nancy Serson
10:15 a.m.	Spe Marge & Fedela Venaziano Shirley Hupman	The Family Mary Grace & Joe Purcell

FREE PASTORAL CARE MINISTRY PRESENTATION

Please join us on Saturday, January 12, 2019 for a FREE presentation entitled, "Ministering in Times of Spiritual Distress" which will be held from 9:00a.m. to Noon at the Pastoral Center, 40 North Main Ave. in Albany.

The crisis of our time has left so many people in spiritual distress. In pastoral ministry, sadly, we often encounter such people. Please join Father Joseph Mali and Sister Kitty Hanley as they explore this topic and how not to lose sight of the 'treasures' in darkness.

To register for this free presentation, or for additional information go to <https://www.rcda.org/offices/pastoral-care-ministry/ministering-times-spiritual-distress> or email Maria Schollenberger at Maria.Schollenberger@rcda.org or call her in Pastoral Care Ministry at 518-641-6818.

If you are interested in any of these ministries, please email me at deacon_chris@transfigurationparish.net or give me a call at 518-235-0337. We will be scheduling training sessions for new members along with a refresher for current ministers. Recently, our scriptures have reminded us to, "Seek the Lord." Consider this, the Lord is seeking you too, and may be calling you to serve in the ministry of Reader, Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist, or Sacristan. God bless.

Deacon Chris

This Week's Parish Announcements

Thank you for your service. Next weekend — January 19 and 20

Schaghticoke Site:

ALTAR SERVERS

4:00 pm None 8:30 a.m. Julia Carlo, Laura Rice
Megan Rice

LECTORS

8:30 a.m. Paul Loatman

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

8:30 a.m. Bob & Kathy Keyes

MONEY COUNTERS: (12/20) YellowTeam

B. Hebert, J. Kelly, G. Squires

Speigletown Site:

ALTAR SERVERS

4:00 pm Andrea Sassatelli 10:15 a.m. Gaetana, Sophia &
Vincenzo Baldwin

LECTORS

4:00 pm Jean Sullivan 10:15 a.m. Sandy Barrett

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

4:00 pm Andre Foucher 10:15 a.m. Barbara Colangione
Nancy Foucher Ellie DeBonis
Jane Heslin Debra Hebert

MONEY COUNTERS: (1/20) Jack & Barbara Burke

Walt & Gail Byrne

ALTAR LINENS: (1/20) Kate Coventry

Offertory Report:

December 22 and 23

4:00 \$1,557.00
8:30 2,283.00
10:15 2,008.27
On-line 358.65

Week 26 of the 2018-2019 Budget

Budget = \$133,409.90

Collection = \$134,193.90

Shortfall = \$784.00

December 27 and 30

4:00 \$ 891.00
8:30 1,373.00
10:15 970.00
On-line 378.65

Week 27 of the 2018-2019 Budget

Budget = \$138,544.51

Collection = \$137,022.55

Shortfall = \$1,521.96

January 5 and 6

4:00 \$ 1,667.00
8:30 1,734.00
10:15 2,374.00
On-line 951.65
Christmas 9,204.75

Week 28 of the 2018-2019 Budget

Budget = \$143,679.12

Collection = \$143,749.20

** Surplus = 70.08*

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

TRANSFIGURATION PARISH NURSE PROGRAM

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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' Note: Blood Pressure Screening THIS weekend. Stop in and have your blood pressure checked and your blood sugar read by a Registered Nurse.

Health Tips: Working 24/7? For better health, draw a clear line between work and non-work life. Whether you've kicked off your New Year's resolutions with gusto or are still mulling them over, we have a New Year's challenge for you. Think back 10 or 15 years. Remember the concept of work-life balance? Sounds quaint, doesn't it? But it's actually essential for good health and happiness — and it starts by drawing a clear line between your work and the rest of your life. Therein lies the challenge! We know, we know, it has become routine to work late, take work on vacation, and answer work-related emails and calls at all hours. Our hyper-connected, always-on digital culture has seriously blurred the lines between work and non-work life. The problem? Our bodies, including our brains, need regular doses of relaxation, rest, and sleep in order to be healthy. In a recent study, researchers found that adults who didn't maintain strong boundaries between their work and non-work lives reported feeling more exhausted and less likely to engage in relaxing activities, and had lower feelings of balance and well-being, compared with those who did. So, in the name of good health and happiness, create some boundaries, and when your workday is over, do your best to let it go. Return your weekends to the Platonic ideal: relaxation and spending time with your family and friends. (OK, so there may be some yard work, house cleaning, and grocery shopping involved, too.) And by all means, use your vacation time — for vacation. Will there be times when you need to work on a weekend or send a late-night email? Sure, but make those times the exceptions, not the norm. <http://www.clevelandclinicwellness.co>

ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL OF WATERFORD

OPEN HOUSE

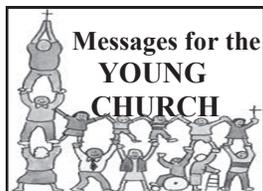
SUNDAY, JANUARY 27, 2019

11:30 AM – 2:00 PM

Experience our Community of Faith, Tradition and Excellence
We invite you to visit St. Mary's School to learn more about our community and programs. St. Mary's School offers a Safe, Nurturing Environment where students excel.

- Come meet our talented teachers and enjoy a guided tour provided by our Student Council leaders.
- Explore the school, from our lively pre-kindergarten classrooms to our new MakerSpace.
- Talk one-on-one with parents of current students.

RSVP on-line at: smswaterford.org or call us at 518-237-0652 for more information.



Faith Formation Sessions

**January 27 Grades 7 to 10 —Young Church Mass
6:30PM —Speigletown**

Can and Bottle Drive Continues—Thank you for your continued support of our Bottle and Can Drive. The proceeds help fund activities for our youth. Please consider asking friends and family members to donate their cans and bottles.

Beth Thayer, Director of Faith Formation & Youth Ministry: 518-235-0337

Welcome through Baptism to Carter Levi LePage

on January 5, 2019 at the Schaghticoke site.

Son of Kyle LePage and Ashley Seymour

May the Holy Spirit guide Carter throughout his life as a disciple of Jesus Christ.

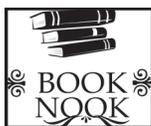
MARCH FOR LIFE 2019

March as a diocese with Bishop Scharfenberger at the March for Life on Friday, January 18, 2019.

Reserve you bus ticket ASAP and view more information at www.rcda.org/life

REMINDER!!!

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



BOOK NOOK NEWS

The Book Nook would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you for your support of this great parish fund-raising effort , as well as becoming a wonderful community project. It could not happen with out you.

The Book Nook will be open on Saturday morning, **January 19** from 9:00AM until noon, with our January sale. **All books whose authors first or last names begin with “J” will be half-price. For example, James Patterson Iris Johanson, J.A. Jance, etc.** It’s a great opportunity to keep stocking up on your winter reading! Please stop by and see all of the new donations that have come in. Donations can be dropped off at the entrances during office hours.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Please mark your calendars

1/16/19 Pastoral Council Meeting 6:30pm Schaghticoke

1/23/19 Liturgy Meeting 6:30pm Speigletown

ZUMBA CLASS

MONDAY EVENINGS—SPEIGLETOWN

6-7pm

Zumba Class this past Monday with our new instructor, Christine Williams, was a huge success! We had 30 people in attendance. **Great for beginners!**

Only \$5 per class.

Fun, Fun, Fun! Everyone is welcome!

*****Our Fundraising could really use some generous assistance with donations to be used in our Fish Fry Raffle Baskets. Some suggestions would be gift cards for local vendors, movie tickets, new and unopened items, wines or food items.*****

The **Back Pack Program** supplies at risk children with food for the weekend. We will be aiding Turnpike, Renssler and 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.

BIRTHRIGHT, a local pregnancy support service in Ballston Spa, has moved to **1490 Saratoga Rd (Rte 50), Ballston Spa.** Our mailing address is still PO Box 661, Ballston Spa, NY 12020, which should be used when sending any donations or correspondence. Our phone # is the same **518-885-4117.** **New office hours are Monday—Friday, 10a.m. to 3 p.m., or any other time by appointment.**

Birthright has been serving the Capital Region for 41 years and relies on the generosity of its volunteers and donors. All of our services are **free and confidential**, including self-administered pregnancy tests, diapers, formula, layettes and essential baby items. We accept donation of these items; the clothing should be new or “gently used”, and we cannot accept toys or furniture.

WORDS TO LIVE BY

“The only way to peace is forgiveness.”

~**St. Pope John Paul II**

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