

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...***“EVANGELIZING THE UNAFFILIATED”**

“Evangelizing the Unaffiliated,” is the title of the Digital Summit offered through the “Word on Fire Institute” that was founded by Bishop Robert Baron. It is a series of interviews with professionals on a variety of topics relative to an issue prevalent in our Church today. Perhaps the single most important issue facing our Church today involves finding ways to attract new disciples to the Body of Christ, or ways to bring back to the Church those who have stopped practicing their faith for one reason or another.

There are actually thirteen interviews in the Word on Fire Digital Summit, and I have listened to four of them so far. I want to share with you some of the notes I took while listening to the sessions. Like with many academic presentations, everything that is said might not jump right out to you, but there were enough good things that I heard to make me want to share some of what I learned either for the first time, or as supplement to things I have heard before. Here are some of the notes I took.

- In the United States 25 % of the people profess no affiliation with a religion, and 33 % of millennials consider themselves unaffiliated.
- **Evangelization has to begin with Jesus Christ.** Evangelization does not begin with an idea, or a program, or a theology, but in the person of Jesus. Evangelization begins with Christ, and through the development of a loving relationship with Jesus.
- There is not necessarily any one event that causes people to become unaffiliated. People just tend to drift away. Once separated, people see no compelling reason for them to return. They do not miss affiliation, and they do not feel that they are missed.
- Trying to live as a disciple of Jesus by practicing our faith is the best way to evangelize. You cannot impose Christianity on a person. Developing a friendship and a sense of trust is the first step to evangelization. We show people our faith by the way we live our lives.

Mass Schedule & Intentions**Saturday March 2**

4:00 p.m.	Spgl	Clement Turgeon Eleanor Hansen Will Rowe	Mary & Gene Posniewski Mary & Gene Posniewski Rowe & Collins Families
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Sunday March 3

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	Joan Weglarz William “Bill” VanAlstyne	Walt & Paula Moran Walt & Paula Moran

Tues. March 5

9:00 a.m.	Sch	Communion Service	
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Thurs. March 7

9:00 a.m.	Spe	Communion Service	
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Saturday March 9

4:00 p.m.	Spg	Joan Weglarz Ann Jaques	Charlie & Mary Anne Valenti Gene & Mary Posniewski
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Sunday March 10

8:30 a.m.	Sch	Dorothy Evelyn Madigan Paul Loatman	Mary Ellen Schroder & Family Pat & Jim Rigney
10:15 a.m.	Spe	John Murphy Gilbert Down Carol Saso	Lori & Sandy Colaruotolo Lori & Sandy Colaruotolo Walter & Paula Moran

REMINDER!!!

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

- People need to understand that evangelizing the unaffiliated takes time, and you might not even know how much your friendship and support has helped another person. We have to remember that developing a loving relationship with Jesus takes time, and you cannot hurry love.

I think the thing about evangelization that becomes more and more clear to me is the reality that I don't have to do anything spectacular to be an evangelist. All I really need to do is share my love, faith, and hope in Jesus with people I meet. I believe Jesus loves me, and offers me eternal life. I just need to share what I believe in my heart with others. That is all any of us needs to do. God bless.

Deacon Chris

This Week's Parish Announcements

Thank you for your service. Next weekend — March 9 and 10

Schaghticoke Site:

ALTAR SERVERS

4:00 pm None 8:30 am N/A

LECTORS

4:00 pm None 8:30 am Pat Hebert

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

4:00 pm 8:30 am Erin Carknard
Pat Rigney

MONEY COUNTERS: (3/9) Yellow Team
D. Carlo, P. Hayes, K. Madigan, J. Rowe

Speigletown Site:

ALTAR SERVERS

4:00 pm N/A 10:15 a.m. N/A

LECTORS

4:00 pm Jean Sullivan 10:15 a.m. Mike Schongar

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

4:00 pm Jane Heslin 10:15 a.m. Sandy Barrett
Kathleen Sanvidge Mary Grace Purcell
Jack Sanvidge Deb Witkowski

MONEY COUNTERS: (3/10) Rose Cosgrove
Maureen Filarecki

ALTAR LINENS: (3/10) Kate Coventry

CARE FOR ONE ANOTHER DURING THE FLU SEASON

We remind everyone to be careful in shaking hands, and sharing Holy Communion from the Chalice during the flu season. If you have symptoms of a cold or the flu, you should refrain from shaking hands at the Sign of Peace and receiving Holy Communion from the Chalice. If you are nervous about spreading/receiving germs, you can use a wave of the hand, or simply say, "Peace be with you" for the Sign of Peace.

ECUMENICAL LENTEN LUNCHEONS

Tuesdays at 12 Noon beginning March 12th
and ending April 9th.

Transfiguration Parish in **Schaghticoke** will be hosting lunches during the Lenten Season with our neighboring churches, Johnsonville United Methodist, Melrose Methodist, Pittstown United Methodist, Valley Falls United Methodist & Schaghticoke Presbyterian Churches. Lunch is comprised of sharing soups and bread with a spiritual reflection offered by one of the churches. No sign-up needed, just come! All are welcome! Free will donations.

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.

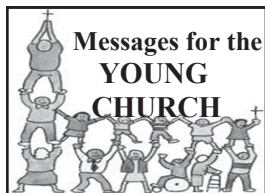
Nurses' Note:

- **Reminder: Blood Pressure screening next week.** Stop by before or after Mass throughout the weekend to have your blood pressure checked
- 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: The more you know, the better your food choices. "Knowledge is power" may be a cliché, but it appears to be true for calorie counts on restaurant menus. Finding out that your favorite cookie is a whopping 800 calories may feel like a buzzkill in the moment, but that information can serve you well, according to a new study. A group of young adults were shown images of foods such as burgers, fries, and cheesecake without calorie information, and then with calorie information, and rated their desire to eat the food—all while a specialized MRI scanner recorded their brain activity. Participants were less interested in eating the foods labeled with calorie counts, and the brain scans showed less activity in the areas associated with reward and more in the areas associated with control. In other words, in environments like chain restaurants, which often use the lots of added sugar, salt, and fat to make dishes enticing, knowing calorie counts may nudge you toward better choices. Day to day, though, there's no need to focus on calories if you're eating a diet that's full of fiber-rich veggies, fruit, whole grains, beans, and other whole, delicious foods of foregoing restaurant meals for the home-cooked meal.

<http://www.clevelandclinicwellness.co>

The **PITTSTOWN AREA FOOD PANTRY** would like to **thank every one** who supported the Pantry in 2018 with food collections or monetary donations. With your support **they were able to feed 1,902 people last year** during 491 visits. They extend heartfelt wishes of peace, happiness and good health in appreciation!



Faith Formation Sessions

March 3 sessions for K-6
March 10 sessions K—6
March 17 sessions K—6

March 17 grades 7—10 session 6:30 to 8:30 PM
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

Offertory Report:

February 23 and 24

4:00	\$ 1,430.00
8:30	1,059.00
10:15	1,104.21
On-line	457.55

Week 35 of the 2018-2019 Budget
 Budget = \$179,621.39
 Collection = \$174,299.14
 Shortfall = 5,322.25

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



BOOK NOOK NEWS

The Book Nook is open
Saturday, morning, March 16
from 9:00 am until noon.

The March half-priced specials are on the following authors: William Johnstone, Nora Roberts and Susan Wiggs. History, and biographies/autobiographies are 10/\$1 this month. Religious, self-help, cookbooks and romance are 6/\$1. We have a great selection of DVDs and they are on special at 3/\$2. Please, stop by and see the many new donations that have come in. Thanks for your continued support and we'll see you at the Book Nook!

UPCOMING EVENTS
Please mark your calendars

3/6/19 Ash Wednesday 10:00am Schaghticoke
 Communion Services 6:30pm Speigletown

PLEASE HELP!

The Friday Fish Fry Dinners are much in need of volunteers in the following areas:

- Wait Staff
- Dessert Table and donations of desserts
- Bartenders
- Someone to make and man coffee table
- Picking up fish supply weekly
- Breeding the fish
- Thursday morning prep

The most important need is clean-up and weekly laundry (towels, etc.)

Would you consider one day or even an hour?

Please sign-up ,or call Ellie Debonis at 235-0337 if you have any questions. Thank you!

RAFFLE BASKETS!

Tickets are available now, and through the Lenten Fish Fry Dinners , before and after the Masses for the beautiful gift baskets that will be raffled off (one) at each of the dinners. The six different baskets will be displayed at our two sites in rotation.

*****WATCH FOR UPCOMING INFORMATION*****

the Yankee Game—August 14
 Price to be announced

The **Back Pack Program** supplies at risk children with food for the weekend. We aid Turnpike, Rensselaer and 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.

ZUMBA CLASS

MONDAY EVENINGS—SPEIGLETOWN 6-7pm
 Great for beginners! Only \$5 per class. All are welcome!

WORDS TO LIVE BY

“God loves each of us
 as if there were only one of us.”

~St. Augustine

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