

# 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...***LISTEN TO THE ONES WHO LOVE US**

The title of this week's article is just as much for me as it is for any of you. Let me tell you why this is so. I typically take Fridays off every week, unless there is a funeral or some important parish event that I need to be involved with. Anyway, this story begins on Wednesday evening. Patricia went out to the kitchen for something, and when she turned on the light switch for the overhead lights, the bulbs blew in one of the fixtures. Now, that does not seem to be any big deal, but Patricia and I both know that God did not bless me with skills to fix things or put things together. Even changing a light bulb can be a challenge for me.

Patricia knows me better than I know myself. Right away, she told me not to try to change the bulbs without her there. I can almost reach the overhead light from the floor, but I do need a small step stool to get to it. I know Patricia loves me, and is concerned that I might fall and get hurt, so she told me to wait to change the bulbs when she is home.

Friday came, and I found myself all alone in the rectory. You can probably guess what I did. I decided to change those light bulbs on my own. Looking back, I was reminded of the Genesis story of Adam and Eve. God the Father loved Adam and Eve, and told them they could eat any of the fruit in the garden except from the fruit of the tree in the middle of the garden. Of course, we know that Satan, appearing as a serpent, tricked Eve into eating from the tree. Now, I am not saying Satan tricked me into changing the light bulbs. I did not see any serpents in the kitchen. My point is Adam and Eve did not listen to God the Father who loved them, and I did not listen to Patricia who loves me.

The story does not end well. I had no problem unscrewing the glass cover from the fixture, but as I was stepping off the step stool I fumbled the cover. It was like everything was suspended in time, as I watched in anguish as the glass cover floated in the air and crashed onto the kitchen floor! Certainly part of my penance for not listening to Patricia was spending the next hour cleaning up pieces of shattered glass from the kitchen floor.

Might the glass cover still have shattered even if Patricia had been there? Possibly, but we will never know because I chose not to listen to the person who loves me, just like Adam and Eve chose not to listen to God the Father. Isn't it true that we sometimes think we have all the answers, that we can do it all on our own, that we do not need anyone's help? Then, after we mess everything up, we realize we were wrong, and we ask the one who loves us for their forgiveness.

**Mass Schedule & Intentions****Saturday March 23**

4:00 p.m.	Spgl	Eileen O'Rourke Ronald Fountain, 1st anniv. Bradley Dunham	Bill Sullivan & Joe DeMuer The Family His wife
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**Sunday March 24**

8:30 a.m.	Sch	Dorothy Evelyn Madigan  Marion Yusko George Bonnier	Mary Ellen Schroder & Family Cheri & Don Foster Pat & Bob Hebert
10:15 a.m.	Spe	Joan Weglarz Ed Schofield, Jr.  Dom & Marge Denio Marianne McGreevy	Roberta & Michele Peplowski The Colangione & Baldwin Families The Family The Family

**Tues. March 26**

9:00 a.m.	Sch	Communion Service	
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**Thurs. March 28**

9:00 a.m.	Spe	Communion Service	
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**Saturday March 30**

4:00 p.m.	Spg	Joseph E. Smith Ruth Cancilla Mark Turcotte  Gene & Mary Posniewski 60th Wedding Anniversary	Estate of Joseph E. Smith The Family The Family  The PosniewskiFamily
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**Sunday March 31**

8:30 a.m.	Sch	Dorothy Evelyn Madigan  Miloslav Januska George Bonnier Stacey Kirkwood	Mary Ellen Schroder & Family The Family Joan Bouche The Family
10:15 a.m.	Spe	Joan Weglarz Shannon Quakenbush Connie Palmo	Lloyd Hebert, Jr. Dan & JoAnn Madigan Deacon Charles & Mary Anne Valenti

**NOTICE!!!**

We pray for deceased relatives and friends at every Mass. If you have requested a Mass for a friend or loved one, we invite you to participate in the Offertory by bringing the gifts to the altar. Please notify one of the Ushers prior to Mass if you want to bring up the gifts to honor your deceased friend or loved one.

I thank God every day that Patricia loves me and forgives me even when I pull a stupid stunt like changing the light bulbs in the kitchen. Maybe we should all listen better to the ones who love us. Taking the point even further, maybe we should all listen more intently to our Lord Jesus who loves us more than we can ever imagine. Just think about how much Jesus loves us. God bless.

Deacon Chris





## Transfiguration Parish



### Faith Formation Sessions

**March 24 sessions grades K—6**

**March 30 FIRST COMMUNION RETREAT**  
Speigletown 1:00PM

**March 31 session grades K—6**

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**

### 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 to benefit the Pittstown Area Food Pantry.

### **BOOK NOOK NEWS**



The Book Nook is open—  
**Saturday mornings, April 6 & 20**  
**from 9:00 am until noon.**

**April special** on these authors—**Clive Cussler, Heather Graham, Iris Johnsen and Jonathan Kellerman**—BUY ONE, GET ON HALF OFF! Histories & Biographies are 10/\$1.

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!

(Donations may be dropped off at church entrance. We do not accept VHS tapes, text books or encyclopedias.)

### UPCOMING EVENTS

Please mark your calendars

<b>4/1/19 Liturgy Meeting</b>	<b>6:30PM</b> <b>Speigletown</b>
<b>4/19/19 Good Friday Stations of the Cross</b>	<b>3:00PM</b> <b>Speigletown</b>

### **HELP STILL NEEDED**

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

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

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

\*\*\*\*\***YANKEE GAME BUS TRIP**\*\*\*\*\*

**August 14, 2019**

\$95.00 sign-up sheets in gathering areas

**SAVE THE DATES** of these upcoming shows at Proctor's Theater:

**Frozen—November 17, 2019—\$109.00**

**Fiddler On The Roof—February 23, 2020—\$73.00**

**Dear Evan Hansen—June 14, 2020—\$100.00**

Watch for further details or call Ellie DeBonis at 235-0337

The continuing **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.

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### **ZUMBA CLASS**

**MONDAY EVENINGS—SPEIGLETOWN 6-7pm**

Great for beginners! Only \$5 per class. All are welcome!

### WORDS TO LIVE BY

“Pride is the beginning of all sin.”

~St. Thomas Aquinas

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