

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...

IS IT A SIN?

On Wednesday March 20, our parish joined with Our Lady of Victory Parish to hold Communal Penance Services at 3:00 pm at OLV, and 7:00 pm in Speigletown. Our confirmation students attended the evening session, and met with Beth Thayer in the parish hall prior to the service. I intentionally got to the church early, so I could go to the hall to welcome the confirmation candidates, and thank them for participating in the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

During our talk, Beth mentioned that one of the students had a question for me. I always enjoy talking with our youth, and answering their questions if I can. The young man asked me if it was a sin to curse or use swear words, other than taking the Lord's name in vain. He understood that the Second Commandment clearly states, "You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain." He knew he should confess sins against the Second Commandment, but he wanted to know if he should also confess the times when he swears or curses.

My first comment was how good the question was, and that it showed he had given the question careful thought. I told the class that a priest in the Diocese of Burlington told my wife that she only needed to confess a sin when she took the Lord's name in vain. I said that was true if we apply the strictest interpretation of the Second Commandment. I told the class I did not agree, and I confess it as a sin even when I swear or curse. The reason lies in the nature of sin, and one's intention for using swear words.

The Catechism of the Catholic Church defines sin as, "Sin is an offense against reason, truth, and right conscience. It is failure in genuine love for God and neighbor caused by a perverse attachment to certain goods. Sin is an offense against God."

When we sin, we offend and hurt our relationship with God. We also offend and hurt our relationship with others. Cursing and using swear words, even those that do not take the Lord's name in vain, seem to me to be words that are offensive to God. I say that because those words are so often used to hurt or ridicule another person, maybe even one we love. I told the confirmation class that they are better than that, and should always try to be better than that. We should all be better than that, and when we fail, as we all do sometimes, we should come to Jesus in the Sacrament of Reconciliation asking for His mercy and forgiveness.

Really, when we stop to think about it, anytime we use words that are hurtful to others, or anytime we enter into hurtful gossip about others, we are sinning against God and them.

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Saturday March 30

4:00 p.m. Spe	Joseph E. Smith Ruth Cancilla Mark Turcotte	Estate of Joseph E. Smith The Family The Family
	Gene & Mary Posniewski	Gene & Mary Posniewski
	Special Intention—60th wedding anniversary	

Sunday March 31

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

Tues. April 2

9:00 a.m. Sch Communion Service

Thurs. April 4

9:00 a.m. Spe Communion Service

Saturday April 6

4:00 p.m. Sch	Dorothy Evelyn Madigan	Mary Ellen Schroder & Family
	Mary Cicchinelli	Pam & Nelson Schmidt
	Will Rowe	Rowe & Collins Families

Sunday April 7

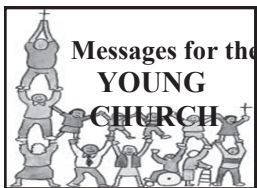
8:30 a.m. Sch	Mary Hodeck Marion Yusko Paul Loatman	The Family Kathy Antolick Cheri & Don Foster
10:15 a.m. Spe	Joan Weglarz Jana Thayer Lynn Richards	Jean & Paul Hebert The Family Venaziano Brendese Family

REMINDER!!!

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

When it comes right down to it, our conscience is our guide. Deep down we all know when we have sinned, and we all know when we have an intent to sin. The Lord calls each of us to a high standard of love, but the wonderful news is we are up to it because He loves us and is always with us. God bless.

Deacon Chris



Faith Formation Sessions

March 31 session grades K—6

April 7 session K—6

April 14 Palm Sunday—ALL children are to participate in the Palm Sunday Procession

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—April 2 and 9

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!

St. Mary's Choir—Tennebrae Service

St. Mary of the Assumption Church Choir, 119 Broad St., Waterford will present their adaptation of the "Tennebrae Service" on Palm Sunday, April 14, 2019 at 7:30PM at the church. The choir will perform "The Shadow of the Cross" by Lloyd Larson. The musical program is under direction of James Charles, organist/choir director.

BOOK NOOK NEWS



The Book Nook will be 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 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

- 4/1/19 Liturgy Meeting 6:30PM Speigletown
- 4/5/19 Fish Fry Dinner 4-7 PM Speigletown
- 4/12/19 Fish Fry Dinner 4-7 PM Speigletown
- 4/19/19 Good Friday Stations of the Cross 3:00PM Speigletown

ZUMBA CLASS

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

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

August 14, 2019

\$95.00 sign-up sheets in gathering areas

Just a few seats remaining!

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.

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 518-235-0337 to make reservations now.

Sleep in Heavenly Peace a charity to provide beds to children in our school district who don't have beds of their own (at no cost to the families) is in **dire need of NEW twin size comforters, sheets and pillows!** We will be collecting your generous donations at the church sites or call James Welch at 518-339-5836 or email james.welch@shpbeds.org for more information.

WORDS TO LIVE BY

“Christ beside me. Christ before me.
Christ behind me. Christ within me.
Christ beneath me. Christ above me.”
~St. Patrick

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