

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...

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

On this Second Sunday of Easter, the Church celebrates Divine Mercy Sunday as we remember Jesus revealing Himself to Sister Faustina Kowalska who was a member of the Sisters of Our Lady of Mercy. In her vision of Christ, Sr. Faustina saw Jesus wearing a white robe and raising his right hand in blessing with his left hand resting on his heart from which flowed two rays of light, one red and one white. Jesus told Faustina to, "Paint an image according to the pattern you see, with the prayer, Jesus, I trust in you."

In 2000 Saint Pope John Paul II canonized St. Faustina and declared the Second Sunday of Easter every year to be Divine Mercy Sunday in the Church. Even though the declaration of Divine Mercy Sunday is quite new, the Church has always revered the Divine Mercy of Jesus, and we glorify this in every Eucharistic Celebration of the Mass.

For instance, the scriptures are full of examples of God's Divine Mercy, as we see today in the Gospel reading from St. John. On that first Easter Sunday, the Risen Christ appeared to the apostles and instituted the Sacrament of Reconciliation as he breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained." From that time on, Jesus gave Bishops and Priests the authority to forgive sins, and embrace God's daughters and sons in the Divine Mercy of Jesus.

Even though we may not always be aware of it, the Mass is chock full of Divine Mercy. Consider the beginning of the Liturgy of the Word, and our penitential act. One of the prayers we hear is, "You were sent to heal the contrite of heart, Lord have mercy; You came to call sinners, Christ have mercy; You are seated at the right hand of the Father to intercede for us, Lord have mercy."

Holy Communion is all about receiving Jesus' Divine Mercy as we prepare to receive His Body and Blood. Consider the words we sing at every Mass, "Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us." Then we pray, "Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed." It is only through the Divine Mercy of Jesus that we are made worthy to receive Him, and share His promise of eternal life.

So today, maybe recite the Divine Mercy Chaplet, or spend a moment before the image of the Sacred Heart of Jesus giving thanks for the love of our Triune God whose mercy endures forever. God bless.

Deacon Chris

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Saturday April 27

4:00 p.m. Sch **Dorothy Evelyn Madigan** Mary Ellen Schroder & Family
Michael Buvarsky Joan Buvarsky
Lucille Buvarsky Joan Buvarsky

Sunday April 28

8:30 a.m. Sch **Paul Loatman** Kathy Antolick
George Bonnier Marge & Gerry Blais
Esther Madigan Cheri & Don Foster
 10:15 a.m. Spe **Joseph E. Smith** Estate of Joseph E. Smith
Robert Brown Walt & Paula Moran
Herman Testo Walt & Paula Moran
Terry Kelvington Bob Kelvington

Tues. April 30

9:00 a.m. Sch **Communion Service**

Thurs. May 2

9:00 am Spe **Communion Service**

Saturday April 4

4:00 p.m. Spe **Thelma Fedele** Michael & Carol Chico
Gino Sestito Todd & Paula Garneau
Will Rowe The Rowe & Collins Families
Hartwell Day Wife, Midge

Sunday April 5

8:30 a.m. Sch **Dorothy Evelyn Madigan** Mary Ellen Schroder & Family
George Bonnier Gary & Barb Squires
Joseph E. Smith Estate of Joseph E. Smith
 10:15 a.m. Spe **Robert L. Jones** The Family
Connie Palmo Rose Cosgrove
Fred Ryan Kathleen & Jack Sanvidge
Bernice Kelvington Bob Kelvington

A PRAYER FOR DIVINE MERCY

O greatly Merciful god, Infinite Goodness, today all mankind calls out from the abyss of its misery to Your mercy—to Your compassion, O God: and it is with its mighty voice of misery that it cries out. Gracious God, do not reject the prayer of this earth's exiles! O Lord, Goodness beyond our understanding, who are acquainted with our misery through and through, and know that by our own power we cannot ascend to You, we implore You: anticipate us with Your grace and keep on increasing Your mercy in us, that we may faithfully do Your holy will through our life and at death's hour.

Let the omnipotence of Your mercy shield us from the darts of our salvation's enemies, that we may with confidence, as Your children, await Your final coming—that day known to You alone. And we expect to obtain everything promised us by Jesus in spite of all our wretchedness. For Jesus is our Hope: Through His merciful Heart as through an open gate we pass through to heaven. Amen.

Diary of Saint Maria Faustina Kowalska, 1570

This Week's Parish Announcements

Thank you for your service next weekend May 4 and 5

Schaghticoke Site:

ALTAR SERVERS

4:00 pm N/A 8:30 a.m. N/A

LECTORS

4:00 pm 8:30 a.m. Cheri Foster

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

8:30 a.m. Bob and Kathy
Keyes

MONEY COUNTERS: (5/5) Yellow Team
B. Hebert, J. Kelly, G. Squires

Speigletown Site:

ALTAR SERVERS

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

LECTORS

4:00 pm Cindy Dunham 10:15 a.m. Barbara Colangione

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

4:00 pm Maureen Filarecki 10:15 a.m. Sandy Barrett
Paula Garneau Mary Grace Purcell
Cheryl Wallingford Deb Witkowski

MONEY COUNTERS: (5/5) Mary Clemente, Mary Kay Oliver,
Tom Wallingford

ALTAR LINENS: (5/5) Mary Dugrenier

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.

More Volunteers are still needed for "Two by Two", the Transfiguration Parish Faith in Action Team. Join your fellow parishioners on this team that provides non-medical support and friendship to someone caring for a family member with dementia/Alzheimer. All volunteers are offered training and continued support. By belonging to this team you only give the time you can when you can because there are several of you to share the role of helping. **To receive more information, contact Pat Hebert @ 692-2135.**

Health Tips: For better memory, let there be light! Most of us need to get out more. Not out to dinner or to the movies, necessarily, but outside. Too much time spent indoors, with typical dim lighting, may hurt your ability to remember and learn, according to a new study on animals. For four weeks, one group of rats spent their waking hours in dim light, while another experienced bright light. The group exposed to dim light did poorly on a "spatial memory" task — similar to having a hard time remembering where you parked your car at the mall. The animals exposed to bright light did well on the test. Researchers also found that for the rats in the dim-light environment, the hippocampus (an area important for learning and memory) had lost about 30 percent of its capacity during the four-week study. On the, ahem, bright side, these animals recovered when they were later exposed to bright light for several weeks. Of course, rats are not people (and even your least favorite people aren't rats!), and research on humans is needed. But there's already evidence that getting enough natural light during the day, especially in the morning, can improve sleep, mood, work performance, and well-being. Get outside in the morning for a walk, work near windows if you can, and spend time outside on sunny weekend days. You may feel better — and be better able to find your keys!

<http://www.clevelandclinicwellness.co>

LECTOR AND EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER OF THE EUCHARIST WORKSHOP

There are **new revised guidelines** for the Liturgical Ministries of Lector and Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist. The new guidelines are available on the parish website at www.transfigurationparish.net.

There will be a **workshop** for all Lectors and Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist on **Wednesday, May 8, 2019 from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm in Speigletown. All Liturgical Ministers are expected to attend the workshop.**

REMINDER!!!

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

ON-LINE GIVING

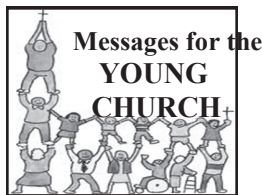
We have been given the opportunity to establish a profile using the On-Line Giving button on the Transfiguration Parish website. Some of our parishioners are using this computerized way to make regular contributions via the internet. We are encouraging everyone to do so. The direct link to set up your 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.

Offertory Report:

Due to the bulletin publication schedule and major computer problems, there will not be an Offertory Report for this week.

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

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FAITH FORMATION

April 28 sessions K—6
May 3 First Communion Rehearsal 6:30 PM Schaghticoke
May 5 First Communion 12:00pm Schaghticoke
May 19 Confirmation Rehearsal 6:30 PM Speigletown
May 22 Confirmation 7:00PM Speigletown

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**

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

STRESS/ANXIETY WORKSHOP

Workshop on identifying, avoiding and coping with stress and anxiety. Breakout session for parents on helping youth deal with stress & anxiety.
Presented by the Rensselaer County Mental Health Dept.

MAY 19 11:AM SPEIGLETOWN
ALL ARE WELCOME

SPECIAL FUNDRAISER—

For this year's youth attending the National Catholic Youth Conference (NCYC) in Indianapolis on May 11, 2019.
A four-course dinner prepared & served by our youth with the assistance of Joseph Carlo!
Limited to 50 \$25 per person More details to follow.

BIRTHRIGHT of Ballston Spa will be offering fresh **carnations the weekend of May 11 & 12 for a \$1** each donation after all the Masses in celebration of Mother's Day. Proceeds from this sale benefit the women who need support through an unplanned pregnancy. Your continued support is greatly appreciated.

Magnificat A Ministry to Catholic Women

Women's Breakfast sponsored by the Albany, NY Chapter of Magnificat
Guest speaker: Clare Daly
Saturday, June 1, 2019 9:00 am—12:00 pm
Holiday Inn Express, 400 Old Loudon Rd., Latham, NY
Registration by mail due May 23. Registration fee \$20.00; Online \$22.00

Send check payable to: Albany NY Chapter of Magnificat
PO Box 340, Clifton Park, NY 12065
Register online using credit card or PayPal at: <https://magnificatdalybreakfast.eventzilla.net>
Questions: Kathleen Carroll at 518-930-8380

UPCOMING EVENTS

Please mark your calendars

5/5/19	First Communion	12 noon	Schaght.
5/14/19	Pastoral Council Meeting	6:30pm	Schaght.
5/22/10	Confirmation	7:00pm	Speigl.

The ongoing Backpack Program supplies at risk children with food for the weekend. We aid Turnpike, Rensselaer and Hoosic Valley Schools.

Suggested items: mac & cheese (boxed, singles, microwaveable ones), pasta, soup, spaghetti, single serve meals for microwave, fruit snacks, fruit cups, single serve cereal. Please—No Peanut Products.
Boxes are at the church entrances.

*****SUPER RAFFLE TICKETS AVAILABLE*****

ZUMBA CLASS

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

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

Frozen—November 17, 2019—\$109.00

THERE ARE ONLY 20 TICKETS REMAINING FOR THE FROZEN SHOW.

Fiddler on the Roof—February 23, 2020—\$73.00

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

Watch for further details or to make reservations, call Ellie DeBonis at 518-235-0337

BOOK NOOK NEWS



The Book Nook will be open on **Saturday mornings starting May 4**, and every Saturday morning all month long from 9am until noon with our **\$5/bag sale**. Bring your own bag or use one of ours and fill it for just \$5.

We have a great selection for you to choose from. Novels, biographies, autobiographies, cookbooks, self-help, sports, large print, histories, religious topics, children's and books on tape are among the collection of choices available. We also have many DVDs and CDs.

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

Thank you for your continued support and we hope to see you at our MAY \$5/BAG SALE!

WORDS TO LIVE BY

"He who trusts in himself is lost.
He who trusts in God can do all things."

~St. Alphonsus Liguori

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