

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.

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Schaghticoke Speigletown

Saturday:	5:30 p.m.	4:00 p.m.
Sunday:	8:30 a.m.	10:00 a.m.
Communion Service:	Tuesday 9:00 a.m.	Thursday 9:00 a.m.

SACRAMENTAL CELEBRATIONS

Sacrament of Reconciliation: By Appointment

Sacrament of Baptism: Usually first Sunday of the month. 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.

**50 Hillview Drive
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Administrative Offices

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From the Desk of Deacon Chris....

HOLY WEEK

Dear Friends,

Next weekend the Church will celebrate Palm Sunday, also known as Passion Sunday. We will remember Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem, and make preparation for the most holy week of the Church year which will conclude with the Sacred Triduum during which we recall the Paschal Mystery of Jesus, with His passion, death, and resurrection.

For many years I have been involved in the RCIA process which prepares adults for the sacraments of initiation, Baptism, Holy Eucharist, and Confirmation. Anyone who has ever participated in RCIA knows what a wonderful ministry it is as we journey with others as they prepare to enter into full communion with the Catholic Church.

One of the suggestions I always made to the RCIA elect was to attend all of the services offered during Holy Week. Holy Week services offer us the opportunity to fully appreciate the love Jesus has for all of us, as we journey with him; we remember how he washed his apostles feet and instituted Holy Eucharist on Holy Thursday; we will walk with him and suffer with him as he carries the cross of our sins to His crucifixion and death; we will joyfully offer him praise and glory at the Easter Vigil and on Easter Sunday, as we celebrate his resurrection and our promise of new and everlasting life in Him.

Please join us for our services during Holy Week:

Tenebrae Service – Wednesday, April 1 @ 7:00 PM in Speigletown – This is a prayerful service of shadows, a service of scripture and song with the church going from light to darkness.

Holy Thursday – April 2 @ 7:00 PM in Speigletown – We will commemorate Jesus' washing his apostles feet, and the institution of the Holy Eucharist at the last supper. We will have Eucharistic adoration until 10:00 PM.

Good Friday – April 3 @ 3:00 PM in Speigletown and 7:00 PM in Schaghticoke – Good Friday afternoon we will have outdoor stations of the Cross (weather permitting), and Friday evening will be the service where we will hear St. John's Passion narrative, we will venerate the Cross, and receive Holy Communion from hosts consecrated on Holy Thursday.

Easter Vigil – April 4 @ 8:00 PM in Speigletown – The most complete liturgy of the Church year. We will journey with Jesus from darkness to light as we celebrate His resurrection. Join us for the blessing of the fire and the lighting of the paschal candle, for the blessing of water and renewal of baptismal promises, and for the reception of our catechumen elect into full union with the Church.

Easter Sunday – April 5 @ 8:30 AM in Schaghticoke and 10:00 AM in Speigletown – Join in the Easter celebration of Christ's resurrection.

Deacon Chris

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Saturday March 21

4:00 p.m. Spe **Larry and Eileen Kyer** The Family
Julie Anderson Dave & Rita Duncan
Edna Sanvidge Deacon Charles and
 Mary Ann Valenti

5:30 p.m. Sch **William Lanoue** The Family
Sam Spano and Family Nick & Liz Spano
Sr. Peggy Manning, O.P. Friar Nicholas &
 Liz Spano

Sunday March 22

8:30 a.m. Sch **No Intentions**

10:00a.m. Spe **Ruth Prescott** The Green Family
Dom and Marge Denio The Family
Bill and Ann Breen Pat Fusco

Tues. March 24

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

Thurs. March 26

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

Saturday March 28

4:00 p.m. Spe **Edna Sanvidge** Tim and Holly
 Fogarty
Alice Miles Leo & Jane Heslin
Mary Shun Leo & Jane Heslin

5:30 p.m. Sch **Miloslav Januska** The Family

Sunday March 29

8:30 a.m. Sch **Sr. James Michael Ryan** Jim & Heather Ryan
 and Family
Polly Premo John, Jeanette and
 Andrea Sassaletti

10:00a.m. Spe **Julie Anderson** Walt & Paula Moran
 Paul & Jean Hebert
Brooklyn Mohler The Pultorak Family
Thomas J. O'Neill Dave & Rita Duncan

LITTLE WHITE BOOKS

Several people have told me how much they have benefited from the Little Black Books during Lent. I have enjoyed them for many years, and have always felt they are a wonderful addition to my own prayer life.

I have ordered the Little White Books for use during the Easter Season. They are also an excellent way for us to enhance our personal prayer life during Easter. The Little White Books will be available the weekend of Easter Sunday, and will cover from Easter to Pentecost Sunday on May 24, 2015.

Whether you did or did not use the Little Black Books during Lent, I encourage every family to try the Little White Books during the Easter Season. I am fairly sure you will be glad you did. God bless.

Deacon Chris

This Week's Parish Announcements

Thank you for your service next weekend March 28 and 29.

Schaghticoke Site:

ALTAR SERVERS

5:30 p.m.	Ben Thompson	8:30 a.m.	David Proper Julia Carlo
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LECTORS

5:30 p.m.	Tim Carey	8:30 a.m.	Paul Loatman
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EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

5:30 p.m.	Dot Jackuback Tom Hallock	8:30 a.m.	Bob and Kathy Keyes Pat Rigney
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MONEY COUNTERS: (3/28) WHITE TEAM -
K. Madigan, P. Hayes, D. Carlo, J. Rowe

Speigletown Site:

ALTAR SERVERS

4:00 p.m.	Gabby Serafin Renee Serafin	10:00 a.m.	Erin Dugrenier Sydney Sadowski
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LECTORS

4:00 p.m.	Jean Sullivan	10:00 a.m.	Sandy Barrett
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EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

4:00 p.m.	Deacon Chris Jack Sanvidge Kathleen Sanvidge Nicholas Lewis	10:00 a.m.	Deacon Chris Jean Colaneri Carol Prescott Deb Witkowski
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MONEY COUNTERS: (3/29) Tom Wallingford,
Mary Kay Oliver, Mary Clemente

ALAR LINENS: (3/29) Diane Heer

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:

Tips to stay healthy during this flu season:

1. **Get your flu vaccine** as soon as it is available.
2. **Wash hands** frequently with soap and water;
3. **Use hand sanitizer** frequently
4. **Avoid touching your face** with your hands.
5. **Stay home when not feeling well.**

*Health tips: Say so long to the pain in your neck! Practice this daily exercise to counteract "text neck." You may love the convenience of your Smartphone or tablet, but chances are your neck has a different opinion! Imagine what it would look like to have a small watermelon hanging off a tree branch — that's sort of what it's like when your noggin (weighing in at 10 to 12 pounds) is looking down to text or read your phone. The weight on your cervical spine increases, and over time, this can lead to "text neck," an increasingly common condition that sure doesn't feel too good. But don't let your devices get the better of you: Just keep your head in alignment as much as possible when using electronics, and learn to do the following daily exercise provided by Cleveland Clinic yoga therapist, Judi Bar. **1.** Inhale, lifting both shoulders up toward your ears. **2.** Exhale, pressing both shoulders down and back; hold them there. **3.** Make sure your chin is parallel to the floor. **4.** Take your index finger and press your chin back toward your jaw; feel the lengthening in the back of your neck. **5.** Release your index finger from your chin, but do not allow your chin to move forward. <http://www.clevelandclinicwellness.com>*

COMMUNION VISITS TO THE HOMEBOUND

We are looking to establish a group of Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist (Eucharistic Ministers) who want to participate in a program of bringing Holy Communion to parishioners who are homebound, and not able to attend Mass with us. This is an extremely necessary and rewarding ministry for our parish. Please contact the parish office or Deacon Chris if you are willing to join us in reaching out to our fellow parishioners. An organizational meeting will be held to discuss this important parish ministry.

ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

The Tournament will take place **May 16th**. The day will include 9 or 18 holes of golf at **Brunswick Greens Golf Course**. At the end of the day everyone will meet back at Transfiguration Parish Hall at the South Site for a choice of a steak or chicken dinner included with the price of your golf ticket as well as many prizes for the golfers. We will offer a cash bar. Those who do not play golf are also invited for dinner at a reasonable price. The winner of the Super Raffle will be drawn that day. We have many donations from local businesses that will be raffled at the end of the dinner. For more information, please contact Ellie at the church office - 235-0337.



Book Nook News

The Book Nook at Transfiguration Parish in Speigletown will be open Saturday morning, April 4 from 9:00 am until noon. We have had a wonderful selection of books donated over the recent weeks and offer them to you on special during April. Buy one/get one free specials are on the following great authors: Robyn Carr, Danielle Steel, John Grisham, JD Robb and on our large print books. Cookbooks, self-help, religious, children and young adult books are 6/\$1.00, romance novels are 12/\$1.00. Please stop by and take a look at our newest arrivals and stock up on your reading material! Donations are always welcome; please remember no VHS tapes, encyclopedias or text books. Thanks for your continued support and see you at the Book Nook! Watch for our May anniversary sale.

Offertory:

March 14 and March 15

4:00 \$1,372.00

5:30 375.00

8:30 1,739.00

10:00 1,176.00

Week 35 of the annual budget

Budget = \$199,230.57

Collection = \$186,893.29

Shortfall = \$12,337.28

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

Transfiguration Parish



**CAN AND BOTTLE DRIVE
CONTINUES**
Thank you for your support

SAVE THE DATES!!!! LENTEN FISH FRY DINNERS

Come-One-Come-All to the **Transfiguration Parish 7th Annual Fish Fry**. The Fish Fry Dinners will be every Friday during the Lenten season (except Good Friday) **The last date is March 27**. You can either eat in or take out with dinners being served from 4-7 pm. Dinners will include a fish fry, coleslaw and French Fries at a price of \$8.50. Macaroni and Cheese will also be on the menu at \$4.50. Each item can be purchased individually. Fish Fry - \$4.50, French Fries - \$2.00, Coleslaw - \$2.00. Desserts and drinks will also be available for purchase. Please consider signing up to help or to make a dessert for us to sell at the dinners.

Annual Super Raffle is here!!!!

Tickets will go on sale this weekend for the Transfiguration Parish Super Raffle. Chances will be available after the masses at our North and South sites at \$100 each. The drawing will take place on **Saturday, May 16th** after the dinner following our Annual Golf Outing. As always the Grand Prize is \$10,000. There will also be 4 - \$1,000 and 2 - \$500 prizes. Call 235-0337 for more information.

Catholic Relief Services Collection

Thank you for your generous support of the Catholic Relief Services Collection. Through your generosity families will be reunited, valuable skills will be taught to those seeking a better life, and vital humanitarian needs will be met. Please visit www.wscsb.org (search "Catholic Relief Services Collection") to learn how your donations make a difference and **help Jesus in disguise**.

Consider donating to the Pittstown Area Food Pantry.....

The food pantry is always in need of non-perishable food items or a money donation to purchase perishable foods. Checks should be made out to the Pittstown Area Food Pantry and can be put in an envelope and dropped in the Offerory basket or at the Church offices. For more information contact Bonnie Coraldi at 235-0337 or 753-4554.

Decorating for Easter

Saturday, April 4th at 9:00am

Contact Martha Cioffi @ 235-7743 or e-mail mcioffi8@nycap.rr.com for more information.

Thank you, Martha

UPCOMING EVENTS

Please mark your calendars

3/23	Pastoral Council Meeting	6:30 pm N Site
3/24	Lenten Lunch	12:00 pm N Site
3/25	Communal Reconciliation Service	3:00 pm @ Our Lady of Victory 7:00 pm @ Transfiguration Parish-S Site
3/27	Last Lenten Fish Fry	4:00-7:00 pm S Site
5/16	Golf Tournament	TBA - S Site Brunswick Greens Golf Course

Lenten Lunches for 2015

will continue this year

**Tuesdays from 12:00noon to 1:00pm
for the 5 Tuesdays during Lent**

Each church volunteered to host a week at the Transfiguration Parish Hall in Schaghticoke as follows:

March 24th

Presbyterian United

As in previous years, the host church will be responsible for saying Grace; presenting a short reflection and bring four (4) soups and bread/crackers. Transfiguration Parish will provide the coffee/tea, cream/sugar and butter as well as provide the set-up for the luncheon.

Transfiguration Parish NEW YORK YANKEES BUS TRIP

New York Yankees vs. Baltimore Orioles

Price \$85.00

(Includes bus transportation and game ticket)

- Bus departs from Transfiguration Parish - South
- Departure Time - TBA
- Seating - Section 214B (under overhang)
- Tickets are on sale after Masses on Sunday or call the Church office at 235-0337.

EASTER BASKETS

Keep in mind while shopping for Easter candy and gifts for your families that there are some children who may go without an Easter basket this year. We are going to be making Easter baskets for those children in our Parish who may be less fortunate. We are looking for donations of candy and small toys that could be tucked into a basket to help give them a Happy Easter. We will have boxes for your donations at the entrances to our churches at the north and south site each weekend. Thank you for your continued generosity. We need help packing the Easter Baskets on Monday March 30 at 10:00 AM at the Speigletown Site. All are welcome to come and assist and enjoy the fellowship. Any questions call Beth Thayer 235-0337

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