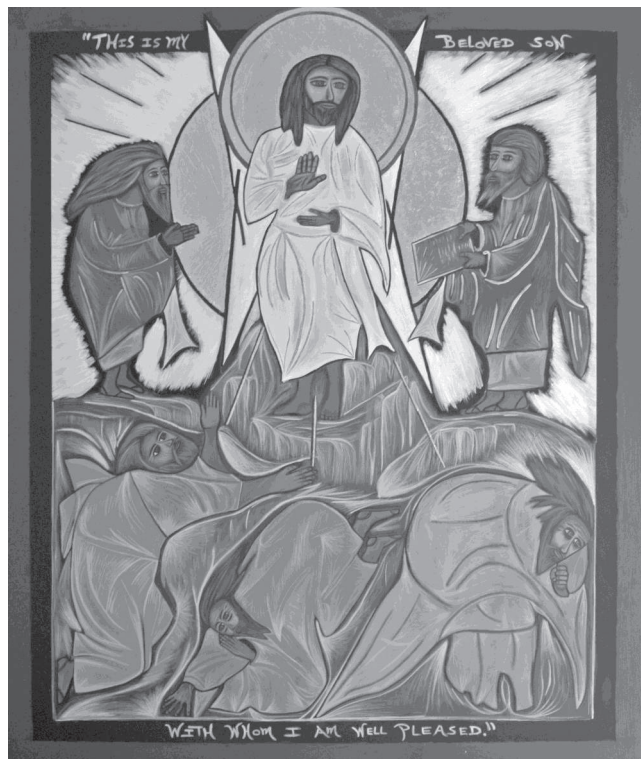


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MISSION STATEMENT

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:		4:30 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....

CHOOSE THE BETTER
PART

Last weekend in his homily, Father Falletta told us we should be wearing seatbelts when we hear the Scriptures proclaimed, because we should always expect a collision with the Word of God. In other words, the Word of God should always impact our lives in a dramatic, life-changing way. Thinking about that, I decided to share some thoughts with you about the Gospel reading from that day, the 16th Sunday of Ordinary Time.

The story is familiar to us. Jesus visited the home of Martha and Mary. Martha is very busy working to make sure everyone is served, while Mary chooses to sit beside Jesus at his feet listening to him speak. Finally, Martha gets fed up with what is going on, and goes to Jesus to ask him to tell her sister Mary to help her with all the serving! Martha feels like she is doing all the work, and that is just not fair!

Doesn't Martha's reaction relate to us sometimes? Have you ever felt that you are doing all the work, and getting none of the credit? Or someone else is taking the credit for work you have done? Has that ever happened to you, and did you feel just like Martha did?

Now as a human being, we might have expected Jesus to agree with Martha, and instruct Mary to get up and help her sister. Jesus does nothing of the sort, but tells Martha, "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and worried about many things. There is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part and it will not be taken from her." Jesus' answer to Martha is the "Collision" Father Falletta was talking about. Do you think Jesus' answer changed Martha's life in a dramatic way? Maybe it did.

It seems to me we all have many, many choices to make each and every day. The choices we make define the way we, "Choose the better part" in our own lives. That said, I think we can all appreciate the "Martha's" in our lives. They are true servants of the Lord in the way they choose to serve others, and care for the needs of others. We are thankful for people like Martha who allow others to be like Mary, and sit in the glory of God. Perhaps the best we can hope for is to be like both Martha and Mary. Be like Martha in the way we love and serve one another, but also be like Mary in always choosing the better part, which is Jesus. The Word of God really can change your life! God bless.

Deacon Chris

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Saturday July 23		
4:30	Spe	Jonas Desrosiers Ray Cloutier Ed Sullivan
		The Family Ed & Carol Dyer Dan and Linda Casey
Sunday July 24		
8:30 a.m.	Sch	Michael Harrison
		Jonas Desrosiers
		The Coraldi Family The Family
10:15 a.m.	Spe	Andrew Laswell
		Deceased Members of the Knights of Columbus Joseph Smith
		Jack and Kathleen Sanvidge The Lifetime Members Walt and Paula Moran
Tues. July 26		
9:00 a.m.	Sch	Communion Service
Thurs. July 28		
9:00 a.m.	Spe	Communion Service
Saturday July 30		
4:30	Spe	Ray Cloutier Burton & Alma Feathers
		Ralph Caola John and Kathy Farina John and Kathy Farina
		Mildred Hart
Sunday July 31		
8:30 a.m.	Sch	Joan Madigan
10:15 a.m.	Spe	Andrew Laswell
		Alice Burke
		Raymond Zareski
		Ed and Catherine Guay Phil and Mary Clemente Dick and Betsy Harte Don & Lisa Fane

A BIG THANK YOU!!!

We would like to thank all who helped with the Steak and Chicken BBQ last Sunday. The many hands made for lighter work for everyone. We served 115 meals. I would like to thank everyone who cooked at the grill and the many people who helped with the kitchen prep and clean up.

Also a special thank you to Carl Cioffi for chairing the Super Raffle. Carl's dedication and hard work during this event is greatly appreciated. He has chaired this event for at least 15 years. Dave Duncan is always a big help selling tickets every Sunday at the north site. With their help our church raised \$10,000.00 this year alone.

Also, a big thank you to all the folks who sold tickets to their friends and family and lastly to all who purchased a ticket. This is a very important fundraiser for our church. Thanks again for all you do.

Ellie

This Week's Parish Announcements

Thank you for your service next weekend July 30 and 31.

Schaghticoke Site:

ALTAR SERVERS
8:30 a.m. Jacquelyn Carlo
Maria Rice

LECTORS
8:30 a.m. Cheri Foster

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS
8:30 a.m. Bob and Kathy
Keyes

MONEY COUNTERS: (7/31) WHITE TEAM -
K. Madigan, P. Hayes, D. Carlo, J. Rowe

Speigletown Site:

ALTAR SERVERS
4:30 p.m. No Servers 10:15 a.m. Gaetana and
Sofia Baldwin

LECTORS
4:30 p.m. 10:15 a.m. Mike Schongar

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS
4:30 p.m. Walt Lynick 10:15 a.m. Claudia Mahoney
Kathleen Sanvidge Jack Mahoney
Jack Sanvidge John Reardon

MONEY COUNTERS: (7/31) Mary Hurley

ALTAR LINENS: (7/31) Diane Heer

TRANSFIGURATION PARISH NURSE PROGRAM
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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:

Health Tips

Buzz off! Protect yourself from mosquitoes this summer, and stay informed about Zika virus. Nails on a chalkboard may get the award for Most Aggravating Sound, but the high-pitched buzz of a mosquito is a close second. And depending on where you live or plan to travel this summer, those skeeters may be much more than pesky. The World Health Organization has declared the mosquito-borne Zika virus a global public-health emergency, with locally acquired cases currently occurring in parts of South America, Mexico, Central America, the Caribbean islands (including Puerto Rico), Africa, and the Pacific Islands. To protect yourself, wear a long-sleeved shirt and pants when weather permits. Wear light-colored clothing if possible, since mosquitoes are drawn to darker colors, and don't count on leggings or tights to protect you — mosquitoes can and do bite right through them! On exposed skin, use an EPA-registered repellent that contains DEET, picaridin, oil of lemon eucalyptus, or para-menthane-diol as its active ingredient, and follow package directions for reapplication. If you're using sunscreen too, apply the sunscreen first, then the repellent. Buying clothing or gear treated with the insecticide permethrin — or buying permethrin and carefully treating items yourself — offers additional protection. Zika causes mild illness in most people; the major concern is that it can cause serious brain abnormalities in fetuses. Therefore, women who know or suspect that they may be pregnant are advised to stay up-to-date on recommendations and travel advisories from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention [link: [cdc.gov/zika](http://www.cdc.gov/zika)]. <http://www.clevelandclinicwellness.com>

GARAGE SALE

Save the dates and save your treasures!

The 8th Annual Parish-wide Garage Sale

Friday, September 2nd and Saturday, September 3rd.

Transfiguration Parish Hall - S Site

If you're cleaning, please set aside your used, unused or unwanted items for this important fund-raiser. Call 235-0337 for more information.

PARISH DIRECTORIES

The new Parish Directories are here! Every individual or family who had their photograph taken will receive a free Directory. You may pick up your free Directory at the Parish Office in Speigletown. Office hours are Monday – Thursday from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm. Stop by to pick up your new Parish Directory!

SATURDAY VIGIL MASS CHANGE

By popular vote, we will change the start time for the Saturday Vigil Mass back to 4:00 PM. Please make note that the Saturday Vigil Mass will start at 4:00 PM beginning in August with the Mass in Schaghticoke on Saturday, August 6, 2016.

MECHANICVILLE: ALL SAINTS ON-THE HUDSON-MOTHER TERESA'S THRIFT SHOP IS HAVING A CHRISTMAS IN JULY SALE- STARTING ON JULY 19 - AUGUST 13. THE THRIFT SHOP IS LOCATED AT 52 WILLIAM ST MECHANICVILLE. HOURS ARE TUESDAY-FRIDAY 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM. SATURDAYS 9:00 AM - NOON. STOP BY AND START YOUR CHRISTMAS SHOPPING EARLY.



LEGOS NEEDED

Please check your closets and basements for any LEGOS. The youth of Faith Formation will be working on a special project this year and need all the LEGOS they can find.

If you have some you can donate please place them in the boxes at the entrances to the church. If you have any questions contact Beth Thayer at 235-0337 or e.thayer@transfigurationparish.net.

Summer Youth Activities

On June 26, Brian Gregoire and Madison Jones arrived at Pyramid Life Center to participate in the Diocese of Albany Christian Leadership Institute. CLI helps youth of our diocese deepen their faith while learning how to lead others.

Brian Gregoire wrote "I met a lot of new people and learned many new concepts. It has truly been a great year for developing my Catholic faith."

Madison Jones wrote, "I am looking forward to taking on a stronger role in the parish."

At the same time Mitchell Jones attended Breakaway, a middle school camp that leads participants through different prayer experiences, service projects, and fun while deepening their faith and connections to other catholic youth. This culminated in the youth planning and leading prayer services for the group.

When you see these young people ask them about their experience and thank them for giving of their time to deepen their faith and blessing our parish with their gifts.

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. Bags and notices will be available at all church entrances.

Thank you for your support.

ACCESS THE BULLETIN VIA OUR WEBSITE

The Transfiguration Parish website has been upgraded and has a 'new' look, with direct links to video, Facebook and much more. The weekly bulletin continues to be available to read and refer to each week. We invite everyone to visit the website at www.transfigurationparish.net and then type into the search bar "Bulletin". Like us on Facebook.

WE NEED WORKERS!!!

Please sign-up at the entrances of our churches to work at the

SCHAGHTICOKE FAIR FOOD BOOTH

Shifts - September 1st through September 5th
And/Or

ANNUAL GARAGE SALE

September 2nd and 3rd

At our South Site Parish Hall

Both events are huge fundraisers for our Parish!!!

We appreciate any help you can give us.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Please mark your calendars

9/1-5	Schaghticoke Fair Food Booth	Assigned shifts
9/2-3	Annual Garage Sale	8:00 am-4:00 pm
		each day - S Site
9/18	Faith Formation Mass	10:15 am S Site
10/22	Piece Makers Quilt Show	TBA S Site

Offertory:

July 16 and 17

4:30 \$1,168.00

8:30 1,482.00

10:15 1,422.00

Week 2 of the annual budget

Budget = \$14,711.55

Collection = \$14,802.00

Surplus = \$90.45

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

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April 14, 2017 - \$75.00 per ticket

Contact Ellie DeBonis at the church office 235-0337 or E.Debonis@transfigurationparish.net for information. Please be prepared to make a 50% deposit on your ticket purchase at the time of your request for tickets.



The BOOK NOOK NEWS

WE NEED BOOKS!!! Yup, that's right! I know it's hard to believe, but with the Garage Sale coming up, we need more books to offer during our \$5 per bag sale. You can donate your books at either entrance of the church any day of the week. Please remember, no encyclopedias, text books or magazines. Although we are not open during August, we look forward to seeing you at the Garage Sale on Friday and Saturday, September 2 and 3. Thanks for your continued support and we look forward to seeing your donations come rolling in!

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