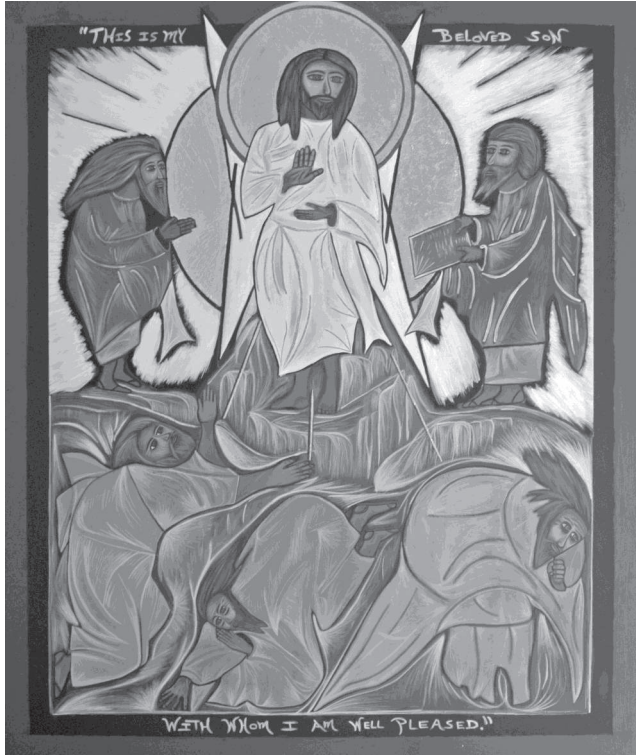


Transfiguration Parish



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:		4:00 p.m.
Sunday:	8:30 a.m.	10:15 a.m.
	Tuesday	Thursday
Communion Service:	9:00 a.m.	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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Administrative Offices

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From the Desk of Deacon Chris....
“LORD, IT IS GOOD THAT WE ARE HERE”

The gospel reading from Matthew this Second Sunday of Lent is about the Transfiguration of Jesus on a high mountain. Peter, James and John saw Jesus transformed in all his glory, and saw Jesus talking with Moses and Elijah, two of the greatest historical figures in the Jewish tradition.

I am often attracted to a particular word or phrase in a scripture passage. In the story of the transfiguration, I stopped to reflect on the words Peter spoke to Jesus right after he saw Jesus in his divinity. Peter said, “Lord, it is good that we are here.” I wonder why Peter said that, and what he meant. Did he mean that it was good for himself, James and John because they were able to witness the transfiguration? Was it good because they realized at the transfiguration that Jesus was the Messiah, the Son of God?

Maybe Peter’s statement indicated that it was good for Jesus that they were there? Perhaps Peter was so awed by the transfiguration that he was expressing his intention to serve the Lord in a greater way as his disciple. Let me ask you this question, have you ever said to Jesus in prayer, “Lord, it is good that I am here?” I must admit, I have never said those words to Jesus, but I wonder why I haven’t. After all, we are supposed to be in dialog with Jesus during our prayer, so why would we not say, “Lord it is good that I am here?”

Just think some more about this. Often when I pray, I ask Jesus what he wants from me, or what way can I best serve him. Now I’m wondering why I am not more pro-active in my discipleship by saying, “Lord, it is good that I am here; I am going to pray the rosary every day for a week for the parishioners of Transfiguration Parish.”

Here is an idea. Maybe we can take a lesson from St. Peter as we say “Lord, it is good that we are here, because we are going to try to love one another as you love us.” God bless

Deacon Chris

BAPTISM

Luchesa Marie Milinio, daughter of John and Heather Mulinio, was baptized on March 4, 2017 in Speigletown. May the Lord continue to bless her on her spiritual journey as a disciple of Jesus Christ.

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Saturday March 11		
4:00 p.m. Spe	Shirley Walsh	John and Barbara Burke
	Christine Martone	Phil and Mary Clemente
Sunday March 12		
8:30 a.m. Sch	Thomas Barton, Jr.	Beverly Barton
10:15 a.m. Spe	Elizabeth Smith	Kathleen Moran
	Christine Martone	John and Ruth Bauchiero
	Jack and Evelyn Mahoney	Jack, Sharon and Barbara
	Edward Moran	Paul & Jean Hebert
Tues. March 14		
9:00 a.m. Sch	Communion Service	
Thurs. March 16		
9:00 a.m. Spe	Communion Service	
Saturday March 18		
4:00 p.m. Spe	Larry and Eileen Kyer	The Family
	Chris Fagan	Nick and Barbara Nicholas
	Jack Graber	Nick and Barbara Nicholas
	William Lanoue	The Family
Sunday March 19		
8:30 a.m. Sch	Joseph E. Smith	Estate of Joseph E. Smith
10:15 a.m. Spe	Elizabeth Smith	Carl and Martha Cioffi
	Shirley Walsh	John and Ruth Bauchiero
	Terry Moran	The Family
	Jack Graber	Hugh and Barbara Graber

FAMILY GAME DAY

Sunday, March 19, 2017

Speigletown Site

**Following the 10:15 am Mass – 2:30 pm
 Games, Puzzles, Coloring for ALL AGES**

**Please Bring Any Unwanted Games, Puzzles,
 Coloring Books, Crayons**

**Free Will Donations Can Be Submitted at
 The Parish Offices or at the Event**

**Bring Your Family’s Favorite Game
 Drinks and Snacks Will be Provided**

**COME AND JOIN US TO SEE OLD FRIENDS
 AND MAKE NEW ONES!!!**

This Week's Parish Announcements

Thank you for your service next weekend March 18 and 19.

Schaghticoke Site:

ALTAR SERVERS

8:30 a.m. Julia Carlo,
Nevin Doubleday
and Derek Cipolla

LECTORS

8:30 a.m. Paul Loatman

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

8:30 a.m. Katherine Rice
Pat Rigney

MONEY COUNTERS: (3/20) YELLOW TEAM -
B. Hebert, J. Kelly and G. Squires

Speigletown Site:

ALTAR SERVERS

4:00 p.m. No Servers 10:15 a.m. Gaetana, Sofia and
Vincenzo Baldwin

LECTORS

4:00 p.m. Andre Foucher 10:15 a.m. Barbara and
Hugh Graber

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

4:00 p.m. Cheryl Wallingford 10:15 a.m. John Reardon
Colleen Wilkie Mary Grace Purcell
Doug Wilkie Deb Witkowski

MONEY COUNTERS: (3/19) Doug Wilkie, Sue Creagan,
Mary Grace Purcell

ALTAR LINENS: (3/19) Helen Humphrey

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:

Blood Pressure Screening THIS weekend. Stop in and have your
blood pressure checked and your blood sugar read by a Registered
Nurse.

Health Tips: Is the Air in Your Home Making You Stupid? What if we told
you that there's a link between the air that you breathe indoors and the way that
your brain works? Seems there's a strong link between indoor air quality and
cognitive function. Researchers had a group of professionals work in the same
office for six days. During that time, the subjects were exposed to differing levels
of ventilation, carbon dioxide and the types of volatile organic compounds
(VOCs) common in indoor environments. Each day, their cognitive abilities were
tested. The scientists found that where air was better ventilated and had lower
carbon dioxide and VOC concentrations, subjects scored significantly higher in
cognitive function compared with those in conventional office building condi-
tions. The tests measured various areas of mental performance, including the
ability to gather and apply information and the ability to plan, prioritize, and
sequence actions. Good indoor air requires comfortable temperature and humid-
ity, adequate supply of fresh outdoor air, and control of pollutants from inside
and outside of the building. To improve the air quality in your home, try to elimi-
nate as many individual sources of pollution as possible, increase the amount of
outdoor air coming indoors, and control temperature and humidity levels. In the
kitchen, always turn on the ventilation hood when cooking and use the back-
burner whenever possible. In bedrooms and living areas, try to eliminate carpets
and curtains. Use a vacuum cleaner with a HEPA filter. An air purifier can help,
too. If you're dealing with particulate matter, such as mold, mildew, dust
mites and animal dander, look for a quality HEPA (high-efficiency particulate
air) filter. <http://www.clevelandclinicwellness.com>

REMINDER!!!

**The site of the Saturday, 4:00 pm Mass will alter-
nate each month. In March it will be in Speigle-
town for the entire month and in April the Mass
will be in Schaghticoke, etc.**

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

During the month of March, Transfiguration Parish will
offer two programs for continued Adult Faith Formation.
We will be offering a Bible Study program over the next
two weeks based on the Sunday Gospels of Lent. The pro-
gram will be facilitated by Hugh Graber, and all sessions
will be held in Schaghticoke. There will be morning and
evening sessions. The schedule is as follows:

BIBLE STUDY

Wednesday, March 15, 2017

at 10:00 am and 7:00 pm

Sessions will be interactive, and participants are asked
to bring their own Bible. Bibles will be provided for those
not having their own.

We are also offering a **Lenten Series** on Thursday
nights during Lent. All sessions will begin at 7:00 pm, and
will be offered in Schaghticoke. The schedule is as fol-
lows:

Prayer for Lent

Loving God, as the season of lent unfolds, you call us to return again and
again. As you invite us to reflect on our love made visible in the person
of Jesus, align our lives more closely with you through prayer, fasting
and generous giving. Bless our desire to accompany Jesus suffering here
and now in the crucified people of our world. With your grace, may we
live Lent fully and move with transformed hearts into the abundant life of
Easter morning. **Amen**

Adult Faith Formation - continued

LENTEN SERIES

March 16, 2017 – Understanding the Mass facilitated by
Deacon Charlie Valenti

March 23, 2017 – Tracing our Jewish Roots/Traditions fa-
cilitated by Beth Thayer

March 30, 2017 – “Simply Peter” A Dramatic Monologue
with Richard Harte as Peter.

April 6, 2017 – ‘Holy Week’ facilitated by Deacon Chris
Keough

Transfiguration Parish



Lenten Sacrifice

During the Masses of Lent the children of our parish will bring forth "thorns" that signify the thorns they have removed from the Crown of Christ by their Lenten sacrifice.

EASTER BASKET DONATIONS

We will be collecting items for children's Easter baskets from March 4th until April 9th. Items that we will need are: Chocolate Easter Bunnies, Peeps, Small Chocolate Candies, Fruit Snacks, Small Bags of Chips or Popcorn and Small Toys. We will have collection boxes at the entrances of our churches. We appreciate your generosity to the children who may go without treats for Easter.



BOOK NOOK NEWS

The Book Nook is open on Saturday morning, March 18th from 9:00 am until noon. We've had a lot of great donations over the past month so please stop by and see what's there! The March half-priced specials are on

Janet Evanovich, Dean Koontz, Fern Michaels and Nora Roberts. Children/young adult books are 6/\$1 as are the cookbooks, historical novels, biographies, religion and self-help. Romance novels are 12/\$1. We have great winter reading (or beach reading for those of you who are heading south!). Thanks for your continued support and see you at the Book Nook!

Tickets for the 2016-2017 Season PROCTOR'S THEATER IN SCHENECTADY

Please join us for:

The Sound of Music

April 9, 2017 - \$70.00 per ticket

5 Tickets Left

Beautiful - The Carol King Musical

April 14, 2017 - \$75.00 per ticket

5 Tickets Left

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.

SUPER RAFFLE TICKETS ON SALE

Super Raffle tickets will go on sale during the Friday Night Fish Fry Dinners and after all masses starting this weekend. Tickets are \$100 each and you have the potential to win \$10,000. The drawing will be on July 15th.

WELCOME

No matter what your present status in the Catholic Church; no matter what your current family and marital situation; no matter what your personal history, age, race, ethnic origin, sexual orientation, physical condition; no matter what your own self-image; you are invited, welcomed, accepted, loved, and respected here at Transfiguration Parish.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Please mark your calendars

3/15 *Bible Study* 10:00 am & 7:00 pm N Site
3/16 *2nd week of Lenten Series* 7:00 pm N Site
3/17 *Fish Fry Dinners Continue* 4:00-7:00 S Site

Offertory:

March 4 and 5

4:00 \$2,611.00

8:30 2,072.00

10:15 1,851.00

Week 36 of the annual budget

Budget = \$176,538.60

Collection = \$173,979.80

Shortfall = \$2,558.80

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

THE ROSARY

The Rosary will be recited at our **Speigletown Site** on **March 12th** after the 10:15 AM mass in the chapel. All are welcome.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

BIRTHRIGHT of Ballston Spa needs office volunteers to assist young women by listening to their concerns, helping with a self-administered pregnancy test, reviewing fetal development, and offering information on local community services. Birthright volunteers are compassionate, reliable, and dedicated to a 4-hour weekly commitment. The next 3-part training session is **April 3, 10, and 17** from **9:00-11:00 a.m.** If you are pro-life and can listen without judging, please call Susan at 430-7922 for more information.

SAVE THE DATES!!!! LENTEN FISH FRY DINNERS Transfiguration Parish Hall South Site

Come-One-Come-All to the **Transfiguration Parish Annual Fish Fry**. The Fish Fry Dinners will be every Friday during the Lenten season (except Good Friday) **The dates are March 17, 24, 31 and April 7**. 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. Macaroni and Cheese will also be on the menu.

Fish Dinner - \$8.50

(Dinner includes Fish Fry, Fries & Cole Slaw)

Fish Fry - \$4.50 French Fries - \$2.00

Cole Slaw - \$2.00 Mac 'n Cheese - \$4.50

Desserts and drinks will also be available for purchase. **HELP is needed.** Please give us a few hours of your time. Sign-up sheets are available at the entrances of the churches. Also, please consider signing up to make a dessert for us to sell at the dinners.

The LENTEN LUNCHESES will begin Tuesday, March 7th at Noon in Schaghticoke, and continue every Tuesday until April 4th. Please join us on Tuesdays to share this simple lunch of soup and bread and a brief reflection provided by our local congregation leaders as well as Transfiguration Parish.

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