

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.
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...**HOLY EUCHARIST: THE SUM AND SUMMARY OF OUR FAITH**

The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* identifies the Eucharist as, "The source and summit of the Christian Life," and goes on to say, "For in the blessed Eucharist is contained the whole spiritual good of the Church, namely Christ himself, our Pasch." The title of this article, and the preceding statements are profoundly simple, but so very meaningful for all of us. Very simply put, I consider the Eucharist to be the most important thing we do as Catholics. The Eucharist must be the central, and primary, part of our lives as Christians.

Have you ever referred to the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*? Many of you probably recall the *Baltimore Catechism* which was used throughout the United States as the primary source for Faith Formation classes for many years. Of course, back then we may have referred to the classes as CCD, or simply Catechism. Anyway, if you have never taken a look at the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, I strongly suggest you do. The Catechism is very informative, and it is a wonderful source of information regarding our faith. Even better, it is written in a way that we can understand without using words and phrases that only a Biblical scholar could understand.

Here is one of the things I love about the Eucharist. I have been to Mass in many different churches, as I am sure many of you have. I have been to Mass in huge, beautiful Cathedrals that just speak of the magnificence of God's Kingdom. I have also been to Mass in small, simple churches or chapels which speak to me of God's intimate, loving relationship with me, and all of us. In any case, the Order of the Mass remains the same, and we give honor and glory to God in thanksgiving for the gift of Jesus himself in Holy Communion. Jesus, who willingly gave his life for our sins. Jesus, who by his love for us invites us to share eternal life in Him.

Here is what else is great about the Eucharist, especially when we participate fully in the prayers, the songs, the Liturgy of the Word, and the Liturgy of the Eucharist. Isn't it true that we leave the church after Mass feeling better than when we came? We feel happier, and maybe more peaceful. You can call the feeling whatever works for you, but I suggest the feeling is the grace and blessings of God.

One final thing. Sometimes something happens during Mass that fills my heart with even more joy. For instance, this past weekend I noticed a mother at Mass who was holding her child in her lap. During one of the songs, I saw the mother singing the lyrics, and the child was swaying back and forth on her lap. Parents are so important as teachers of our faith to their children, and I couldn't help feeling that mother was sharing her love for Jesus with her child. It gave me great joy! I hope the Holy Eucharist gives you great joy too! God bless.

Deacon Chris

Mass Schedule & Intentions**Saturday October 28**

4:00 p.m. Sch **Anna Dorr** Estate of Alice Tate

Sunday October 29

8:30 a.m. Sch **Joseph E. Smith** Estate of Joseph E. Smith

10:15 a.m. Spe **Frank Bruce** Lloyd Hebert
Ruth Elliott-Donohue Brenda Maloney
Willis Wiley The Family

Tues. October 31

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

Wed. November 1

6:30 p.m. Sch **All Saints Day - Holy Day of Obligation**

Thurs. November 2

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

6:30 p.m. Spe **All Souls Day - Remembrance Mass**

Saturday November 4

4:00 p.m. Spe **Susan Christopher-DeMers** Jane Heslin
and Friends
Marilyn Christian Joe and Loretto
Marchese
Alice Lazzaro Don and Lisa Fane
Michael Bartis Karen Beditz

Sunday November 5

8:30 a.m. Sch **Alice Tate** Estate of Alice Tate

10:15 a.m. Spe **Terry Kelvington** Don and Lisa Fane
Michael Bartis Rose Cosgrove
Nancy Knickerbocker Phil and Mary
Clemente

ZUMBA IS BACK!!!!

Classes will be held on Monday evenings from **6:00-7:00 pm at the Transfiguration Parish Hall in Speigletown**. The classes have started. You can join at any time. The fee for a **1 hour class is \$5.00 or \$25.00 for 6 classes, which will have to be prepaid**. Call Ellie DeBonis at 235-0337 for more information.

All Souls Remembrance Mass

An All Souls Remembrance Mass will be held **Thursday, November 2, 2017 at 6:30 pm. at our Speigletown site**. Any one who has lost a member of his or her family this past year from November, 2016 to through this October will be remembered. Please call Martha Cioffi at 518/235-7743 or the Church office at 518/235-0337 to give us the deceased persons name and the members of the family who will be attending.

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.

This Week's Parish Announcements

Thank you for your service next weekend November 4 and 5.

Schaghticoke Site:

ALTAR SERVERS

8:30 a.m. Thomas and
Megan Rice

LECTORS

8:30 a.m. Pat Rigney

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

8:30 a.m. Julia Carlo
Margaret LaFortune

MONEY COUNTERS: (11/5) WHITE TEAM -
K. Madigan, P. Hayes, D. Carlo, J. Rowe

Speigletown Site:

ALTAR SERVERS

4:00 pm 10:15 a.m. Eva and Aiden
Pickert

LECTORS

4:00 pm Patricia Keough 10:15 a.m. Teresa Beamish

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

4:00 pm Cheryl Wallingford 10:15 a.m. Ellie DeBonis
Walt Lynick Debra Hebert
Jane Heslin Robin Jackson

MONEY COUNTERS: (11/5) Mary Hurley

ALTAR LINENS: (11/5) Diane Heer

Offertory Report:

October 21 and 22

4:00 \$ 993.00

8:30 1,692.00

10:15 1,380.00

On-line 553.34

Week 17 of the 2017-2018 Budget

Budget = \$86,830.90

Collection = \$86,277.56

Shortfall = \$553.34

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



ANNUAL FRUIT SALE

It is time again for our annual citrus sale. We will be selling oranges, grapefruit and tangelos direct from Florida. The fruit will be delivered in

10 lb, 20 lb and 40 lb. cartons. Order just oranges, just grapefruit, mixed boxes (oranges/grapefruit), or tangelos. **Orders must be received no later than November 1st. ALL ORDERS MUST BE PRE-PAID.** The fruit will be available December 2nd and 3rd so it makes a great gift for the holidays. This is an important fundraiser so we hope you will invite neighbors, friends and relatives to order also. **Order forms are available in the bulletin this week and after masses or by calling the church offices.**

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: Add grapes to your plant-based plate, and your colon may thank you. Rainbows don't just belong in the sky. They belong on your plate, too. The colors that light up gardens and grocery stores — red tomatoes, orange peppers, yellow squash, green spinach, blue and purple berries — are good for you. Yes, the actual colors. Besides giving plants their brilliant hues, plant pigments such as flavonoids and carotenoids perform antioxidant, anti-inflammatory, and anti-cancer activities in the body. Along with the rest of the rainbow, be sure to add grapes of any color, which contain a flavonoid known as resveratrol. In a recent preliminary study, a combination of resveratrol from grapes and grape seed extract was highly effective at killing colon cancer cells — more so than either compound alone. This study may ultimately lead to the development of pills used for prevention or treatment, but it also points to the power of whole plant foods. Cultures with plant-based diets tend to have lower rates of colon cancer, and it may be that a little bit of a lot of colorful plant foods is best for prevention. Remember the power of your plate, and make it vibrant! <http://www.clevelandclinicwellness.com>

Tickets for the 2017-2018 Season PROCTOR'S THEATER IN SCHENECTADY

Please join us for:

Les Miserables

February 25, 2018 - 2:00 pm - \$73.00 per ticket

On Your Feet

June 3, 2018 - 2:00 pm - \$62.00 per ticket

Contact Ellie DeBonis at the church office 518/235-0337 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.

REMINDER!!!

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

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NCYC

The youth traveling to NCYC will be speaking at the Masses on October 29 And on November 4 on their upcoming trip to Indianapolis.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

We are in need of catechists for the Children's Liturgy of the Word at the 8:30 Mass. You would be responsible for 2 Sundays a month. Materials and training will be provided. Please contact Beth Thayer at 518/235 0337.

Faith Formation Session are underway but it is never too late to join. If you would like to register for this year's sessions or have any questions contact Beth Thayer at 518 235 0337. Forms are also available on the parish web site under Faith Formation.

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. Contact Beth Thayer 518/235-0337.**



BOOK NOOK NEWS

The Book Nook is open from 9:00 am until noon on Saturday morning, November 4. November half-priced specials are on authors Robyn Carr, Clive Cussler, John Grisham and Fern Michaels. Lots of new copyrights have been donated so stop by and see what's there for your winter reading. Thanks for your continued support and see you at the Book Nook.

2017-2018 Transfiguration Parish Ski Program

will be on Friday evenings at 7:00 p.m. beginning January 12th, for 6 weeks at Willard Mountain. Lift, Lesson, and rental are \$165.00 before November 25th and \$185.00 after.... A pass for lessons and lift ticket are available for \$130.00 or \$150.00 after 11/25. Helmet purchase is available to ski program members for \$30.00 plus tax in the pro shop. For more information or to receive the Program Registration forms, please contact Sharon Frazee @ 235-8693. This is a wonderful deal and great way for kids and adults to learn how to ski.

PARISH BIBLE STUDY

We will be offering a Bible Study this Fall on St. Paul's First and Second Letters to the Thessalonians. This will be the first in what we hope will be an annual study of St. Paul's letters, which we often read at weekend Masses.

Hugh Graber will once again facilitate the Bible Study Sessions, which will be held on Thursday evenings in the Chapel at the Speigletown site. The sessions will begin at 6:30 pm, and last one hour. The dates for the last session is:

Thursday, November 9, 2017

We encourage you to take advantage of this wonderful opportunity to gather with fellow parishioners to read, reflect, and discuss the epistles of St. Paul. Come, share your faith with others!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Please mark your calendars

10/26	<i>Bible Study</i>	6:30 pm S Site
11/1	<i>All Saints Day Mass</i>	6:30 pm N Site
	<i>Holy Day of Obligation</i>	
11/2	<i>All Souls Remembrance Mass</i>	6:30 pm S Site
11/9	<i>Bible Study</i>	6:30 pm S Site

The **Sacrament of the Sick** conveys several graces and imparts the gifts of the strengthening of the Holy Spirit against anxiety and fear for those who are ill or who for those who have the potential for illness (e.g. the elderly). IT IS NOT ONLY FOR THOSE AT THE POINT OF DEATH. If you or a loved one would need the benefits of this great Sacrament, please contact the Parish Offices or any of the Parish Clergy to make arrangements.



We have begun collecting for our **Annual Thanksgiving Food Drive**. Each week-end for the rest of October and into November we are collecting nonperishable food items to place in baskets for families within the community. All donations are appreciated, but to be sure we have a nice variety we've made suggestions for each week. **Next week the suggestions are Pasta, Pasta Sauce and Macaroni and Cheese.** Donations can be left in the boxes at the entrance of our churches. If you are interested in donating a turkey or roasting chicken, please call the church offices at 518/235-0337 and 518/753-4554. We are also accepting cash donations. Your generosity last year helped provide a full Thanksgiving dinner and some extra food items to 35 families. **Also, please consider joining us on November 19th to finish packing the baskets.**

Thank you from....

Birthright extends a sincere "Thank You" to all parishioners who participated in our Respect Life Baby Bottle Boomerang fundraiser. We also make an urgent plea to all parishioners who still have baby bottles. These bottles are needed for future fundraising efforts. Even if the bottles are empty, please return them to the designated box.

HATS AND MITTENS

We know that many of the women of the parish enjoy knitting and crocheting. We are collecting hats and mittens to be donated to our local elementary schools during the winter season. We are looking for donations of ready made and hand made items. Please help those children who might go without.

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