

# 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.

*From the Desk of Deacon Chris...*

**DO YOU EVER RUN AWAY  
FROM GOD?**

The first reading for the Third Sunday of Ordinary Time was from the book of Jonah. The reading was from the end of the book with Jonah going through the streets of Nineveh warning the people that God was going to destroy them, and their city, if they did not cease their sinful ways. The people repented and changed their ways, and God had mercy on them. God did not destroy their city. Definitely a happy ending! A true conversion story.

The beginning of the book of Jonah is also a story of conversion, but it is Jonah's conversion, not the conversion of the Ninevites. You see, God called Jonah to go to Nineveh, and warn them to change their sinful ways or be destroyed by God. Jonah got God's message, but he did not like the people of Nineveh at all. In fact, he would have been fine if God destroyed the city, and all the people in it. So, what did Jonah do? He refused the Lord's direction to go to Nineveh, and he ran the other way! He had no intention of going to Nineveh to warn the people.

You know the rest of the story. Jonah hopped aboard a ship heading away from Nineveh. A huge storm emerged, and they threw Jonah off the ship where he landed in the belly of a whale for three days and nights. The whale deposited him on the shore, and Jonah also saw the error of his ways. He went to Nineveh to obey God's will.

Have you ever run away from God? Have you ever disobeyed his will? Have you ever chosen to not do what you should do, because you think you will be on your own, and people might reject or criticize you? I bet most of us can think of times when we have turned away from God's will just like Jonah did. How often have you avoided doing what you know is right just because you were afraid of what people might think or say?

How did that make you feel? Every one of us knows right from wrong. We all have a conscience. I know how guilty I feel whenever I turn away from God's will. The only way I can feel better is to confess my sins and receive God's mercy and forgiveness in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. We all know how difficult and painful it is to live in guilt.

***Mass Schedule & Intentions***

**Saturday January 27**

4:00 p.m.	Spe	<b>Beverly Loszynski Elizabeth Russ Dorothy Magin  Mark Turcott</b>	Junith Joslin Jean Sullivan Jack and Kathleen Sanvidge The Family
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**Sunday January 28**

8:30 a.m.	Sch	<b>Michael Bartis</b>	The Rigney Family
10:15 a.m.	Spe	<b>Henry Weglarz  Marjorie Weiss</b>	Rich and Peggy Harte Walt and Paula Moran

**Tues. January 30**

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

**Thur. February 1**

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

**Saturday February 3**

4:00 p.m.	Sch	<b>Joseph E. Smith</b>	Estate of Joseph E. Smith
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**Sunday February 4**

8:30 a.m.	Sch	<b>Bob Carlson</b>	Dan and Linda Casey
10:15 a.m.	Spe	<b>Michael Bartis  Will Rowe  Joseph Baucherio  Henry Weglarz</b>	Mr. & Mrs. Pat Casale The Beamish Family John and Ruth Baucherio Jack and Kathleen

**CHRISTIAN SERVICE TEAM  
ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING**

February 7th - 6:30 PM at the Speigletown Site  
Come to be part of our outreach to those in need.

***From the desk of Deacon Chris*** - Continued

One last thing. Sometimes we run away from God because we feel like we will be out there on an island, and all on our own. Nothing can be further from the truth! The Holy Spirit is always with us, and we might just find there are more people with us than we thought, when we choose to do the right thing. Just tell me what you would rather feel; the guilt of knowing you turned away from God's will, or the joy of knowing you did the right thing as a true disciple of Jesus? It seems like a no brainer to me. What do you think? God bless.

***Deacon Chris***

## This Week's Parish Announcements

*Thank you for your service next weekend February 3 and 4.*

### Schaghticoke Site:

#### ALTAR SERVERS

4:00 pm No Servers      8:30 a.m. Thomas and  
Megan Rice

#### LECTORS

4:00 pm MA Arnold      8:30 a.m. Pat Hebert

#### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

4:00 pm Donna Colligan      8:30 a.m. Barbara Perry  
Dot Jackuback      Katherine Rice

**MONEY COUNTERS:** (2/5) YELLOW TEAM -  
B. Hebert, J. Kelly, G. Squires

### Speigletown Site:

#### ALTAR SERVERS

10:15 a.m. Eva & Aiden Pickert

#### LECTORS

10:15 a.m. Teresa Beamish

#### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

10:15 a.m. Mary Grace Purcell  
John Reardon  
Marge Brendese

**MONEY COUNTERS:** (2/4) Mary Kay Oliver,  
Tom Wallingford and Mary Clemente

**ALTAR LINENS:** (2/4) Leslie Dunn

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

**Please join us for:**

**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.

### THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!!

We are not always able to thank each of you personally for taking time from your busy week to help us at our annual Transfiguration Parish Roast Beef Dinner. We always appreciate everyone's support of us. Without the continued support of our Community as well as our Parish Community we would not be successful.

A big thank you to those of you who purchased tickets, donated pies, cookies and cakes for the bake sale. Without your help supplying the baked goods we would not be able to boost our profits.

Thank you again and we hope you had a good time helping. We hope to see you at future gatherings at Transfiguration Parish.

*Mary and Jack Hurley  
Jack and Linda Argay*

### 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' Notes:

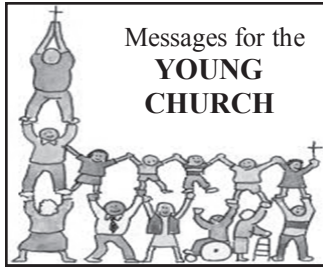
**More Volunteers are still needed for "Two by Two", the Transfiguration Parish Faith in Action Team.** Join your fellow parishioners on this team that provides non-medical support and friendship to someone caring for a family member with dementia/Alzheimer. All volunteers are offered training and continued 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: Good news for the winter blues: Exercise, spending time outside, and light therapy can help you live happier this season.** Light up your life - literally - to beat the blues that may arrive with the short, cold days. Start by taking a cue from the 5th Dimension: Let the sunshine in, even on cloudy days. When sunlight reaches the brain via the eyes, it stimulates production of the mood-lifting chemical serotonin, so spend as much time as possible outdoors. Pardon our technical talk, but here's what can happen in the winter: People who are vulnerable to seasonal depression have higher levels of a serotonin transporter protein that removes serotonin from the brain. But regular physical activity raises serotonin levels, which is why a daily brisk walk chases away those winter blues. Remember that hibernation is for bears, not people! So if you're still feeling down, talk to your doctor about treatment options. Light therapy, in which you spend 30 minutes each morning close to a "light box" that mimics bright sunlight, is often effective (though it's not recommended for people with bipolar disorder or diabetes). Psychotherapy or medication may be helpful too. <http://www.clevelandclinicwellness.com>

### OPEN HOUSE

Do you know a child who could benefit from a strong, individualized, academic, and spiritual education? Bring them to one of St. Mary's Academy's open houses coming up during Catholic Schools Week! **The first open house is Tuesday, January 30<sup>th</sup> from 6:00pm-7:00pm.** This open house coincides with our annual Learning Fair. Come and see what our students have been learning about in our classrooms while seeing the benefit that SMA can have for your child!

**On Saturday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>, we will be having a PreK/K open house at SMA beginning at 10:00am.** Bring your child to see what a day in the life of a PreK or Kindergartener is like here at SMA! You can give your 3 and 4-year-old a head start on their education for just \$25/day.



**Eucharistic Exposition and Benediction**  
January 28th - 7:00-8:00 pm in Speigletown

**Next Session for Grades 7 – 10 is:**  
January 28th in Speigletown at 6:30 – 8:30.

**‘SOUPER’ BOWL SUNDAY**

At each Mass on February 4 the young church will be collecting food and monetary donations for the Pitts-town Food Pantry. Thank you in advance for supporting this project.

**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 will be open on Saturday, February 3 and 17, from 9:00 am until noon with the February half-priced specials on some of your favorite authors: **David Baldacci, Robyn Carr and Lisa Jackson.** The children/young adult books are 12/\$1 during February and the historical novels, biographies, self-help, religion are all 3/\$1. Romance novels are 12/\$1. Please stop by and see all of the new donations. Remember we accept all donations **except**, encyclopedias, text books, magazines and VHS tapes. Thank you for your continued support and see you at the Book Nook!

**REMINDER!!!**

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

**UPCOMING EVENTS**  
**Please mark your calendars**

1/28 **Eucharistic Exposition** 7:00-8:00 pm **S Site**  
**And Benediction**

**Offertory Report:**

**January 20 and 21**  
4:00 \$2,027.00  
8:30 1,711.00  
10:15 952.00  
On-line 418.65  
*Week 30 of the 2017-2018 Budget*  
*Budget = \$153,231.36*  
*Collection = \$159,558.98*  
*Surplus = \$6,327.62*

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

**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.

**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.

**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.

**WORDS TO LIVE BY**

“Be who God meant you to be, and you will set the world on fire.”

St. Catherine of Siena

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