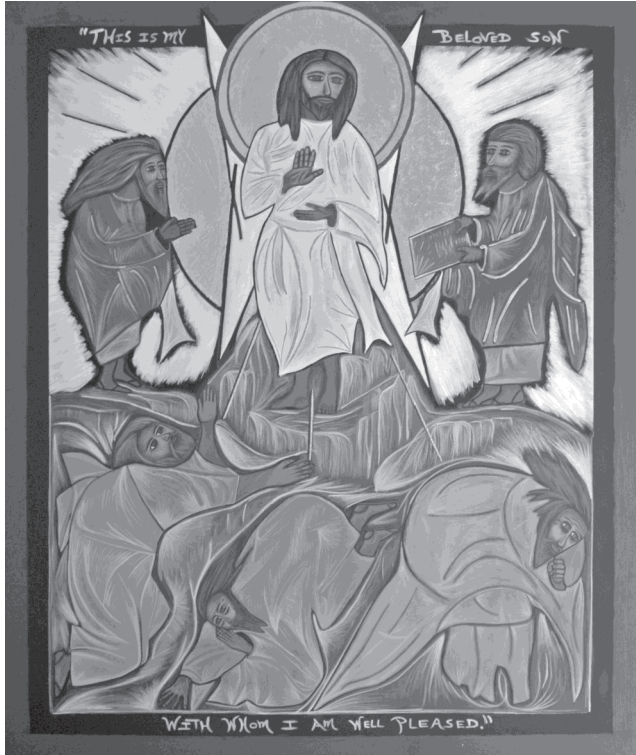


Transfiguration Parish



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.

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From the Desk of Deacon Chris....**LAETARE SUNDAY**

On this Fourth Sunday of Lent, the Church celebrates what is known as Laetare Sunday. The word Laetare mean "Rejoice" in Latin, and the entrance antiphon for this Sunday comes from the book of the prophet Isaiah; "Rejoice, Jerusalem and all who love her. Be joyful, all who were in mourning; exult and be satisfied at her consoling breast."

We rejoice this Sunday in knowing we have reached the midway point of our Lenten Season. The Church traditionally views Laetare Sunday as a day of celebration, on which the austerity of Lent is briefly lessened. Let us all "Rejoice" this Sunday.

The Gospel reading from John proclaims to us what we are rejoicing for. In the Gospel St. John writes, "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him."

Believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God, and receive the promise of eternal life. I think that is all the reason we need to "Rejoice" this Laetare Sunday. What do you think? God bless.

Deacon Chris

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE**Palm Sunday (Note Mass Times)**

Saturday, March 28 @ 4:00 PM – Speigletown
 Saturday, March 28 @ 5:45 PM – Schaghticoke
 Sunday, March 29 @ 8:30 AM – Schaghticoke
 Sunday, March 29 @ 10:15 AM – Speigletown

Tenebrae Service – Wednesday, April 1

7:00 PM – Speigletown

Holy Thursday – Thursday, April 2

7:00 PM – Speigletown

Good Friday – Friday, April 3

Outdoor Stations of the Cross (weather permitting)
 3:00 PM – Speigletown
 Good Friday Service - 7:00 PM – Schaghticoke

Easter Vigil – Saturday, April 4

8:00 PM – Speigletown

Easter Sunday – Sunday, April 5

Mass @ 8:30 AM – Schaghticoke
 Mass @ 10:00 AM – Speigletown

Mass Schedule & Intentions**Saturday March 14**

4:00 p.m. Spe **Ken Clark, Sr.** The Family
Anniversary
Julie Anderson Midge Day
Shirley Frawley Gene and Mary
 Rosniewski

5:30 p.m. Sch **No Intentions**

Sunday March 15

8:30 a.m. Sch **Eleanor Lohnes** Gerry and Marge
 Blais
Edna Sanvidge Jim and Mary Beth
 Lanzillo

10:00a.m. Spe **Margaret Denio** Walt & Paula Moran
Ruth Prescott Jim and Laurie
 Prescott
Principia "Gigi" DeLucia John and Ruth
 Bauchiero

Tues. March 17

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

Thurs. March 19

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

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

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.

This Week's Parish Announcements

Thank you for your service next weekend March 21 and 22.

Schaghticoke Site:

ALTAR SERVERS

5:30 p.m. Greg Thompson 8:30 a.m. Julia Carlo
Nevan Doubleday

LECTORS

5:30 p.m. Donna Colligan 8:30 a.m. Cheri Foster

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

5:30 p.m. Pam Schmidt 8:30 a.m. Margaret LaFortune
Mary Agnes Arnold Denise Mahoney
Alicia McKinney

MONEY COUNTERS: (3/22) YELLOW TEAM -
M. Della Rocco, B. Hebert, J. Kelly, G. Squires, B. Madigan

Speigletown Site:

ALTAR SERVERS

4:00 p.m. Maddie Shover 10:00 a.m. Gaetana Baldwin
Gracie Shover Sofia Baldwin

LECTORS

4:00 p.m. Jerry Steele 10:00 a.m. Stacey Sadowski

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

4:00 p.m. Deacon Chris 10:00 a.m. Deacon Chris
Maureen Filarecki Barbara Graber
Jane Heslin Hugh Graber
Ed Murray Debra Hebert

MONEY COUNTERS: (3/22) Paula Gameau,
Maureen Filarecki, Mary Hurley

ALAR LINENS: (3/22) Leslie Dunn

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:

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

Alzheimer Caregiver Support Group meets this **Wednesday, 7:00pm at Transfiguration North in the gathering area.** If you have a loved one over the age of fifty with dementia or Alzheimer's, this group may help you find ways to care for yourself while caring for a loved one. Please consider attending a meeting or pass on the information to someone who also may be caring for a loved one. For more information feel free to contact Cindy Kocienski @ 753-7493, Mary Rosan @ 280-4568 or Pat Hebert

Health tips: Live your life with purpose and you'll be rewarded with better health. If you think that mantra sounds like something you'd read in a fortune cookie, you may be right! However, there's real science behind this advice. People who have a strong sense of purpose in their lives, especially during their retirement years, are more likely to get important screenings such as colonoscopies and mammograms. These screenings are essential tools in early diagnoses and interventions, when treatments are more likely to be effective. What's more, people who score high on the "purpose in life" scale are less likely to be hospitalized than those who score lower. So how can you maintain a sense of purpose? For starters, keep learning new things and participating in activities you enjoy. Encourage your friends to come along for extra health benefits. You may also want to consider volunteering, which benefits both givers and receivers <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.

Here is a short prayer that seems to fit well for Lent. God bless.

Deacon Chris.

A Prayer For The Journey

Walk with me, Lord, as I travel this journey of faith,
Proclaiming my "yes" with every step,
Trusting in the promise of your love.

Walk with me Lord, as I make my way,
Stumbling over doubt and fear,
Searching for the truth that only you provide.

Walk with me Lord, as I seek the right path,
Trying to decide between the choices that bring life
And those that take it away.

Walk with me Lord, as I search for a brighter tomorrow
Knowing that my future is in your hands
And that your hand is in mine.

Walk with me Lord, along this journey of hope,
And I will walk with you.
AMEN.



Book Nook News

The Book Nook at Transfiguration Parish in Speigletown will be open Saturday morning, March 21st from 9:00 am until noon and also before and after the weekend masses. We have had a wonderful selection of books donated over the recent weeks and offer them to you on special during March. Buy one/get one free specials are on the following great authors: Debbie MacComber, Fern Michaels, J. A. Jance, Robert Parker 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 winter reading material! Donations are always welcome; please remember no VHS tapes, encyclopedias or text books. Watch for our May Anniversary Sale. Thanks for your continued support and see you at the Book Nook!

Offertory:

February 28 and March 1

4:00 \$1,793.00
5:30 699.00
8:30 2,276.00
10:00 2,645.20

Week 34 of the annual budget

Budget = \$188,461.35

Collections = \$178,024.29

Shortfall = \$10,437.06

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

March 7 and March 8

4:00 \$1,782.00
5:30 395.00
8:30 1,244.00
10:00 788.00

Week 35 of the annual budget

Budget = \$193,845.96

Collection = \$186,231.29

Shortfall = \$11,614.67

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 dates are March 20 and 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

"Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me" (Mt 25:40). Today, we are reminded that Jesus identified himself with our poorest brothers and sisters. The Catholic Relief Services Collection serves Jesus in the victims of human trafficking, in those who suffer from unjust laws, and in those who need pastoral care and humanitarian assistance across the globe. Through supporting today's collection you **help Jesus in disguise**. Please be generous.

Bringing Lent to Life – an evening of inspiration and music at the Carondelet Hospitality Center, 385 Watervliet-Shaker Road, Latham on **Friday, March 20** from 4:45 (simple meal at CHC – rsvp to Erica.kirkland@rcda.org or 453-6650) Or join us at 6 p.m. in the Chapel of St. Joseph's Provincial House for prayer and music by ValLimar Jansen and Ken Canedo and speaker, Thomas Awiapo, CRS recipient and staff person, who lives in Ghana with his family. We will learn of our part in ameliorating hunger both locally and globally. A free will offering will be taken up for local Catholic Charities hunger efforts. The program is sponsored by the Sisters of Saint Joseph Justice Committee, Catholic Relief Service, Oregon Catholic Press and Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Albany.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Please mark your calendars

3/17	<i>Lenten Lunch</i>	12:00 pm N Site
3/18	<i>Stations of the Cross</i>	6:00 pm S Site
3/20	<i>Lenten Fish Fry Friday</i>	4:00-7:00 S Site
3/23	<i>Pastoral Council Meeting</i>	6:30 pm N Site
3/25	<i>Communal Reconciliation Service</i>	
	3:00 pm @ Our Lady of Victory	
	7:00 pm @ Transfiguration Parish-S Site	

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 17th **Johnsonville Methodist**
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 go on sale beginning - March 1, 2015

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. Deadline for the donations is April 1st. Call 235-0337 for more information.

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