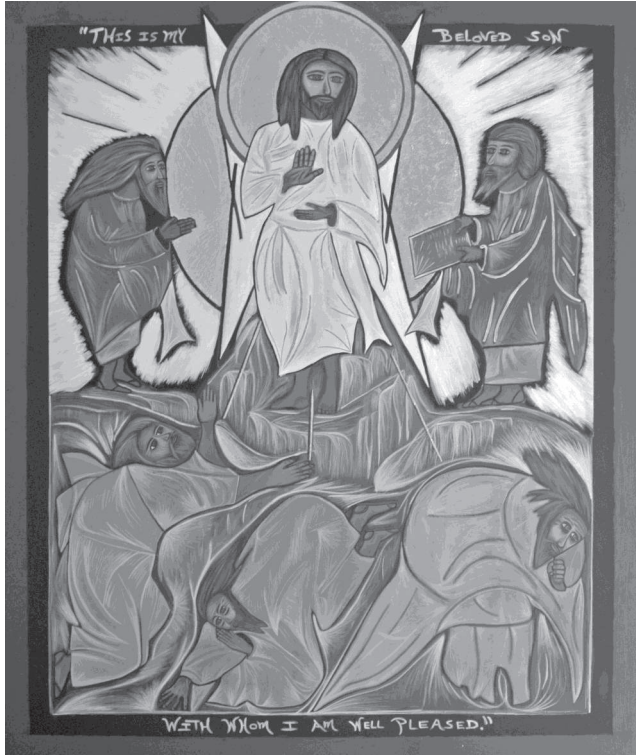


Transfiguration Parish



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.

**50 Hillview Drive
Speigletown, Troy, NY 12182**

Administrative Offices

Office Hours: Monday thru Friday - 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

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*From the Desk of Deacon Chris...***KEEP HOLY THE LORD'S DAY**

I don't know who first came up with the phrase, "Sicker than a dog" this past weekend. I started feeling rotten on Tuesday, and by Thursday night I had it all; a cough that kept me up practically all night, a fever @ 101, and I blew my nose so much that I'm fairly sure stock value in Kleenex rose just because of me.

The worst part of my sickness was that I was not able to attend Masses this weekend, and that really bothers me. Honestly, I probably would have gone to Mass, despite my sickness, if not for the sound advice I received from Deacon Charlie and Patricia. I realized that attending Mass would be a selfish act on my part since my constant coughing would be a distraction for everyone, and my germs really did not need to be shared. So, I reluctantly stayed home.

I was thinking about why I hate missing Mass so much. I think a big part of it is in my upbringing. When I was growing up, we never missed Mass unless we were very ill like I was this weekend. **Sundays were considered Sacred, and everyone made a point of attending Mass on Sunday.** The church was full of people, and there was a reverent joy at Mass.

When I was growing up, stores were closed Sunday mornings. There was no shopping done, and there were no other events going on. You know I love sports, and I would have loved participating in AAU or other organized teams. But you know what? No one practiced or played on Sundays! In fact, my school and my church had an agreement that there were no sports or extra-curricular events scheduled on Mondays because Mondays were catechism nights! Imagine that!

Do you know why I really hate missing Sunday Mass? I know it is a Holy Day of Obligation for all of us, but it has nothing to do with rules, or laws, or regulations. I hate missing Mass on Sundays because I truly love the Eucharist. I love coming together as the Body of Christ in thanksgiving, and to give glory and praise to God. And I love receiving the living Body and Blood of Jesus Christ in Holy Communion. That, my friends, is why I hate missing Mass.

**We need to make Sundays Sacred again!
God bless.**

Deacon Chris

Mass Schedule & Intentions**Saturday April 1**

4:00 p.m. Sch **Paul Messick** Dorothy Messick

Sunday April 2

8:30 a.m. Sch **For the Parishioners**

10:15 a.m. Spe **Christine Martone** Walt and Paula

Moran

Helen Bowman

Walt and Paula
Moran

Peg Teitch

Joe & Mary Grace
Purcell

Jack Graber

John and Ruth
Bauchiero

Tues. March 28

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

Thurs. March 30

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

Saturday April 8

4:00 p.m. Sch **Francis Wallingford** Tom and Cheryl

Wallingford

Shirley Walsh

Patricia Brochue
Nicole Walsh

Sunday April 9

8:30 a.m. Sch **John and Barbara Januska** The Family

10:15 a.m. Spe **Christine Martone**

John Graber

Paul & Jean Hebert

Walt and Paula
Moran

Richard Lanoue

Ed & Carol Dyer

Louis Salvo

John and Ruth
Bauchiero

**Volunteer at the
REGIONAL FOOD BANK**

We are going to be gathering together a group of people to volunteer one evening at the Regional Food Bank in Latham on **April 17th from 5:00-7:00.**

**Please help with our.....
ANNUAL FRUIT SALE**

We are looking for someone to volunteer to chair this prosperous fundraising event for us this year. Advertising and gathering orders starts the first week of October and the event happens three days around the first weekend in December. Please contact Ellie DeBonis at the South Site office at 235-0337 if you can be of help.

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 April 8 and 9.

Schaghticoke Site:

ALTAR SERVERS

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

LECTORS

4:00 MA Arnold 8:30 a.m. Paul Loatman
Pat Rigney

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

4:00 Donna Colligan 8:30 a.m. Julia Carol
Dot Jackuback

MONEY COUNTERS: (4/9) WHITE TEAM -
K. Madigan, P. Hayes, D. Carlo, J. Rowe

Speigletown Site:

ALTAR SERVERS

10:15 a.m. Gaetana, Sofia and
Vincenzo Baldwin

LECTORS

10:15 a.m. Sandy Barrett

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

10:15 a.m. Deb Witkowski
Robin Jackson
Mary Grace Purcell

MONEY COUNTERS: (4/9) Mary Hurley

ALTAR LINENS: (4/9) Martha Cioffi

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:

Are you caring for someone suffering with a memory disorder? Need a break? Transfiguration Parish is proud to offer "Two by Two", a Faith in Action Care Team from Transfiguration North & South in cooperation with the Eddy Alzheimer's Services. This team of compassionate trained volunteers from our own parish provides social support to individuals and families living with Alzheimer's disease or other memory impairment disorders. This Care Team provides respite, friendly visits and is prepared to pick up prescription or groceries or prepare a meal if needed. **For more information contact Pat Hebert at the number listed above.**

Health Tips: The power of the past: Build resilience by reminiscing strategically. If you've dabbled in mindfulness, you know about the power of presence. This practice of paying attention to the present moment, rather than ruminating about yesterday or worrying about tomorrow, can bring peace of mind. But looking back on the past doesn't have to bog you down. In fact, doing so strategically may boost your well-being. It's all about what you choose to remember. In a recent study, researchers divided young people into four groups and had each recall a particular type of memory, along with the thoughts and feelings that surround it. Those who recalled a "problem-solving memory" — an experience of coping well with a challenge — or an event that shaped their identity showed improved well-being after the experiment, along with increased feelings of competence and meaning in life. Those who recalled events that involved conflict or regret, or just any memory that came to mind, had no such improvement. Rather than dwelling on disappointments, make a practice of occasionally recalling positive memories, either in your journal or by sharing with a trusted friend or family member. Memory lane can be a powerful path to greater happiness, if you walk it with intention. . <http://www.clevelandclinicwellness.com>

REMINDER!!!

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

LAST OPPORTUNITY!!!!

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

We are offering our last **Lenten Series** on this coming Thursday night. The sessions will begin at 7:00 pm, and will be offered in Schaghticoke. The schedule is as follows:

LENTEN SERIES

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

SAVE THE DATE!!!!

The Evangelization Team will be hosting a **LADIES TEA on Saturday May 13th** in the Transfiguration Parish Hall at the South Site. More information to follow.

Transfiguration Parish NEW YORK YANKEES BUS TRIP

New York Yankees vs. Detroit Tigers

August 2, 2017 at 1:05 pm

Price \$95.00

(Includes bus transportation and game ticket)

Reservations call - 235-0337

- Bus departs from Transfiguration Parish - South
- Departure Time - TBA
- Seating - Section 225 (3rd base line between 3rd base and home plate under over-hang)
- Tickets are on sale now. If a tickets are purchased and paid in full before Easter Sunday (April 16th) they are \$90.00 each - after Easter Sunday they are \$95.00 each. A \$50.00 deposit and \$45.00 balance is due by June 15th.



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.

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.

EASTER BASKET DONATIONS

We will be collecting items for children's Easter baskets 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, April 15 from 9:00am until noon. We have had a lot of donations over the past few months so please stop by and see our collection. The April half-price specials are on John Grisham, David Baldacci, Lisa Jackson and Mary Higgins Clark. Children/young adults are 6/\$1.00, as are cookbooks, historical novels, biographies, religion and self-help, romance novels are 12/\$1.00. Thank you for your continued support. Watch for our May-June Bag Sale Starting May 13th. Thank you for your continued support and see you at the Book Nook.

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ADORATION

Adoration is a sign of devotion to and worship of Jesus Christ, present in the Blessed Sacrament. Immediately following The Mass of Holy Thursday the Blessed Sacrament will be reposed in the hall at our Speigletown Site. Adoration will go on until 10:00 PM. Come spend some quiet me with the Lord.

SUPER RAFFLE TICKETS ON SALE

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

UPCOMING EVENTS

Please mark your calendars

- 4/7 *Lenten Luncheon 12:00 Noon N Site*
- 4/6 *Last week of Lenten Series 7:00 pm N Site*
- 4/9 *Last Fish Fry Dinners 4:00-7:00 S Site*
- 4/9 *The Sound of Music/Proctors*

Offertory:

March 26 and 27

4:30 \$1,811.00

8:30 1,848.00

10:15 1,846.35

Week 39 of the 2016-2017 Budget

Budget = \$191,250.15

Collection = \$189,403.80

Shortfall = \$1,846.35

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

WE NEED HELP!!!

We will be decorating the South Site Church for Easter at 9:00 am on Easter Saturday, April 15th. We need your help and creative ideas. As always, the more help the easier the

**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 last date is 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 have begun at 12:00 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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