

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.

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

Administrative Offices

Office Hours: Monday thru Friday - 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Closed on Friday from June 2nd through August 25th.
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From the Desk of Deacon Chris...

"I HAVE SEEN THE LORD!"

On Saturday, July 22nd the Church celebrated the feast day of Mary Magdalene, and the gospel reading for the day was from John 20:1-2, 11-18. The gospel contains the wonderful account of the sorrowful Mary Magdalene visiting the tomb of Jesus, and being the first person Jesus reveals himself to after his resurrection. Several thoughts occurred to me as I read the gospel.

The first is why Jesus chose Mary Magdalene to be the first to see Him risen from the dead. I suppose we will never know, but I think it might be tied to the great capacity of love Mary Magdalene had for Jesus. It was a love she was not afraid to show others. Think about it; Mary Magdalene was there at the cross with our Blessed Mother Mary, as they watched Jesus suffer and die. After Jesus died, Mary Magdalene did not go into hiding like so many of the apostles and disciples of Jesus. Mary went to the tomb to grieve openly, and somehow be closer to our Lord. What a great example of love Mary Magdalene is!

Perhaps another reason Jesus chose to reveal himself to Mary is because she must be one of the greatest conversion stories in history. Scriptures tell us that Jesus healed her from seven demons! If I were asked to name some of the greatest conversion stories I know, they probably would include St. Paul, St. Matthew, St. Augustine, and Mary Magdalene. Jesus chose those on the margins of society, and chose Mary Magdalene to be the one to announce that he had risen!

One more thought on the gospel reading. The scripture says that Mary did not recognize Jesus at first. She thought he was the gardener, and begged him to tell her where they had taken the body of Jesus. Mary recognized Jesus only after he spoke her name. It makes me wonder how often we do not recognize the face of Jesus in people we meet. Do we only see the person, and judge them based on what we see? Or do we recognize that every person we encounter is a beloved son or daughter of God? I'd like to think I do that, but I know I could do better. Maybe you can do better too.

After Mary Magdalene saw the risen Lord, she rushed to the disciples and announced, "I have seen the Lord." I pray that we can all, "See the Lord" in the people we meet. God bless.

Deacon Chris

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Saturday July 29

4:00 p.m. Spe **Molly DeCaprio** Tom and Cheryl Wallingford

Alice Lazzaro Tom and Ann Oathout

Amy McDonald Ed and Karen Murray

Sunday July 30

8:30 a.m. Sch **Paul A. Lucey** Raymond & Alice Lucey

10:15 a.m. Spe **Thomas Colligan, Jr.** Son & Grandchild
Terry Kelvington Walt and Paula Moran

Will Rowe Charles and Marge Brendese

Tues. August 1

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

Thurs. August 3

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

Saturday August 5

4:00 p.m. Sch **Clark and Iona St.John** Tom and Cheryl Wallingford
Alice Lazzaro Midge Day

Sunday August 6

8:30 a.m. Sch **Mary Rock** Deacon Charles and Mary Anne Valenti
Pauline Carlo The Colligan Family

10:15 a.m. Spe **Agony of Jesus in the Garden** The Carlo Family
Frank Carney The Sirtori Family
Terry Kelvington Carl and Martha Cioffi
Karina Larkin Walt and Paula Moran

REMINDER!!!

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

GARAGE SALE

Save the dates and save your treasures!

The **8th Annual Parish-wide Garage Sale**

Friday, September 1st and

Saturday, September 2nd.

If you're spring cleaning, please set aside your used, unused or unwanted items for this important fund-raiser.

Call 235-0337 for more information

Major Fundraiser - WE NEED WORKERS!!!

Look for sign-up sheets at the entrances of the church.

This Week's Parish Announcements

Thank you for your service next weekend August 5 and 6.

Schaghticoke Site:

ALTAR SERVERS

4:00 pm	No Servers	8:30 a.m.	Julia Carlo Nevin Doubleday Derek Cipolla
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LECTORS

4:00 pm	Dot Jackuback	8:30 a.m.	Paul Loatman
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EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

4:00 pm	Donna Colligan Dot Jackuback	8:30 a.m.	Margaret LaFortune Katherine Rice
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MONEY COUNTERS: (8/6) YELLOW TEAM -
Bob Hebert, J. Kelly, G. Squires

Speigletown Site:

ALTAR SERVERS

10:15 a.m.	Maddie, Grace and Emmie Shover
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LECTORS

10:15 a.m.	Hugh Graber
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EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

10:15 a.m.	Claudia Mahoney Jack Mahoney John Reardon
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MONEY COUNTERS: (8/6) Maureen Filarecki and
Rose Cosgrove

ALTAR LINENS: (8/6) Kate Coventry

We are in need of Ushers for all Masses.

We are encouraging our parishioners to volunteer as an Usher at our Masses at both the North and South sites. We would also appreciate and encourage any women who might be interested in participating in this Ministry.

THANK YOU!

Thank you to Ed and Joan Anzola for graciously volunteering to host Colleen Putzel from Rostro de Cristo last weekend. Ed and Joan's kindness and generous hospitality is greatly appreciated. Thank you!

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.

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: Need to focus? Put some space between you and your smartphone. There's no disputing how useful smartphones are. From driving directions and help finding the best restaurants to easily accessible cameras and other handy apps, they're a portal to connection and convenience. But (you knew there was a but coming, didn't you?) these beloved devices may cause a bona fide brain drain in their users. Having your smartphone nearby significantly lowers your cognitive capacity — a.k.a., how well your brain holds and processes information — according to new research. And believe it or not, this holds true even if your phone is off! In the study, participants took a series of tests that required full concentration. Before doing so, they were instructed to put their phone in another room, on the desk facedown, or in their pocket or purse. Those who put their phones in another room did significantly better on the test than those whose phones were closer. The researchers hypothesize that when your phone is nearby, your brain is actively working on not picking it up even if you're not aware of it. In other words, the mere presence of a smartphone in close proximity is distracting. What to do? Flip phones have a retro cachet these days, but if you're not feeling quite that old-school, get smarter about your smartphone. If your phone is like a fifth appendage, put it in its place more often — ideally, in another room. Cut the cord (so to speak!) by using a desktop computer for emails and online research, a landline for calls, and a good old-fashioned watch or clock for telling time. Banish your phone from both the dinner table and your bedroom. <http://www.clevelandclinicwellness.com>

STREAK FREE CLOTHS ARE BACK!!!

Never Use Window Cleaners Again!

STREAK FREE, SPOT FREE—LINT FREE CLOTHS

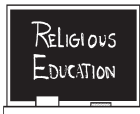
Special!!!!

2 Microfiber Cloths for \$5.00

You may pick one up after the Masses at the entrances to each church.

NOTICE!!!

We pray for deceased relatives and friends at every Mass. If you have requested a Mass for a friend or loved one, we invite you to participate in the Offertory by bringing the gifts to the altar. Please notify one of the Ushers prior to Mass if you want to bring up the gifts to honor your deceased friend or loved one.



Religious Education is the most important thing we do to bring the next generations to faith in Jesus Christ. Forming our children and youth in our faith is a sacred responsibility. **IN ORDER TO FULFILL THAT RESPONSIBILITY WE NEED YOUR HELP.** Catechists and assistants are needed for Grades K, 1, 5, 6 at our Speigletown Site. We are also in need of Catechists for Sunday evening sessions for Grades 7 and 8. We will provide training, materials, and support to assist you in this Ministry. **Please contact Beth Thayer at the Faith Formation Office at 235-0337.**

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 235-0337

BE Strong, Bold, Courageous

**DIOCESE OF ALBANY
YOUTH RALLY GRADES 6 – 8
SEPTEMBER 17 12:30 – 6:30 pm
IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
GLENVILLE
CONTACT Beth Thayer
235-0337**



BOOK NOOK NEWS

As you know, the Book Nook is not open during August, in preparation of the **\$5/bag sale** held during the annual Parish-wide **Garage Sale on September 1-2.** However, we are collecting any and all donations throughout the month for this sale. Please drop off your gently-read novels, children/young adult books, cookbooks, historical novels, biographies, CD's or DVD's anytime this month at the church. Please remember no textbooks, encyclopedias or VHS tapes.

Thanks again for your continued support and see you on Labor Day Weekend for our huge Garage Sale and \$5/Bag sale at the Book Nook!!

SCHOOL SUPPLIES

It doesn't seem possible that we should be thinking of school supplies just yet, but September and school are just around the corner! As in the past, our parish is collecting school supplies to assist students in need from Hoosic Valley, Rensselaer Park and Turnpike Elementary Schools. There are collection boxes at each entrance of the church for you to begin donating, and the boxes will be available throughout the month of August. A listing of suggested donations will be available at the church entrances.. Thank you for your help with this important Christian Service project.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Please mark your calendars

- 8/2 **NY Yankee Baseball Trip- Leave S Site @ 8:30 am - Return S Site @ 8:30 pm**
- 8/15 **The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Mass @ 6:00 pm N Site**
- 9/1&2 **Annual Garage Sale 9:00-4:00 Daily @ S Site**

Canadian Shrines 2017 Pilgrimages

October 2 - 6

5 Days, 4 Nights - Double Occupancy
\$495.00 per person

While on the trip you will visit Ste. Anne DeBeaupre', Our Lady of the Cape, Ste. Joseph Oratory and more.

The four or five day trips include some meals, transportation, tips, hotel and transfers. Single and Triple occupancy available with special pricing for Children. Please call Donna, Marge or Marcella **753-2258** for further information.

Offertory Report:

July 22 and 23

Due to the office schedule there is no Offertory Report for this week.

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.

WE NEED WORKERS!!!

One of the two major fundraisers on Labor Day weekend.
Transfiguration Parish
SCHAGHTICOKE FAIR FOOD BOOTH

MARK YOUR CALENDARS - SAVE THESE DATES

August 19 - Initial Clean-up of the Food Booth
10:00 am

August 28 - Put up the Awning over the eating area
6:00 pm

September 6 - Final Clean-up of the Food Booth
6:00 pm

Look for sign-up sheets at the entrances of the church to help cook and serve food during the Fair. The dates of the Fair are **August 30th through September 4th.**

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