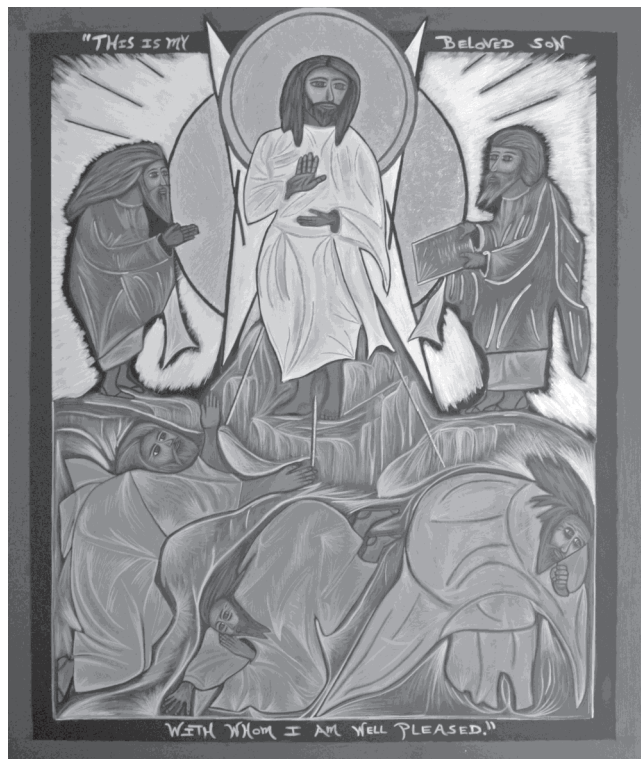


Transfiguration Parish



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...
HOW DOES MASS MAKE YOU
FEEL?

I want to tell you about my Sunday morning. I was wrestling with an issue in my mind nearly all of Saturday night, and it was still bothering me Sunday morning. I arrived in Schaghticoke for the Sunday morning Mass still occupied with what was on my mind. Deacon Charlie even asked me if I was feeling okay because he sensed that I was not myself.

We started the Mass, and I want to share what happened which indicates to me the grace of God at every celebration of The Eucharist. As the Mass began, I left behind what was troubling my mind, and focused entirely on participating with everyone else in the Mass. Does that ever happen to you? Are you able to forget about everything else that may be going on in your life, and give yourself completely to the Mass? It is a wonderful feeling to let go of everything else, and be totally immersed in The Holy Eucharist.

Some people tell me they want to “feel good” as they leave Mass. I couldn’t agree more, and I suggest we will feel good if we participate fully in the Mass. For example, Deacon Charlie and I attended the annual Diaconate Retreat with our wives recently. We had a Mass with Bishop Sharfenberger on Saturday afternoon, and a Mass with Bishop Hubbard Sunday morning. At both Masses we had everyone praying together, and singing the songs together. I was thinking how we all have different singing gifts, yet we were all singing together. To me, it sounded like a chorus of angels singing praise to God, and I thought how wonderful it would be if we all sang and prayed together at every Mass in our parish. Wouldn’t that be fantastic?

I also gave some thought to the role of the homily at Mass. Now, I think it is great if a homily makes you feel good, but that is not necessarily the purpose of the homily. The homily is meant to give some teaching or clarification of the scripture readings, most often the Gospel reading. The homily can also be used to relate scriptures to our lives, or give some instruction on the teachings of the Church. Father Ingemie spoke this past weekend about the respect of life at all stages which was very relevant to Respect Life Sunday. Parts of homilies have also been about the care of our world for this, and future, generations, a topic Pope Francis has written about.

Homilies might just make you think about your own relationship with Jesus, and things you may need to change. Homilies might even upset you somewhat, because you might realize that you are not being the disciple Jesus calls you to be. I remind you that Jesus’ words did not always make people feel good. Just read the parables to know that Jesus often challenged people to think about their relationships with God. Jesus never said being His disciples would be easy, or without challenges. Jesus did indicate that the Kingdom of God is at hand, and the Kingdom is wonderful beyond our imagination. A homily is effective if it brings you closer to Jesus even if it makes you somewhat

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Saturday October 7

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| 4:00 p.m. Sch | Ellen Delaney | Her Family |
| | George Joslin | The Family |
| | Will Rowe | Gerry Foster |

Sunday October 8

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| 8:30 a.m. Sch | James and Mary Hoag | The Family |
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| 10:15 a.m. Spe | Terry Kelvington | Laura Lanoue |
| | Lisa Burton-Jewell | Paul and Jean Hebert |
| | Patricia O’Bryan-Hebert | Walt and Paula Moran |

Tues. October 10

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| 9:00 a.m. Sch | Communion Service | |
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Thurs. October 12

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| 9:00 a.m. Spe | Communion Service | |
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Saturday October 14

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| 4:00 p.m. Sch | Sheila Wallingford | Tom and Cheryl Wallingford |
| | Burton & Alma Feathers | John and Kathy Farina |
| | Mildred Hart | John and Kathy Farina |

Sunday October 15

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| 8:30 a.m. Sch | Joseph E. Smith | Estate of Joseph E. Smith |
| 10:15 a.m. Spe | Terry Kelvington | Maria Sullivan |
| | Patricia O’Bryan-Hebert | Lloyd Hebert, Jr. |
| | Ruth Elliott-Donahue | Hugh and Barbara Graber |

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**. 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.

From the desk of Deacon Chris - continued

uncomfortable, but ultimately helps you to be a better disciple.

I do hope people feel good as they leave Mass. I suggest that praying and singing together, hearing the Word of God proclaimed, and receiving Jesus himself in Holy Communion are ways we receive God’s grace and blessings. How can we not “feel good?” God bless. **Deacon Chris**

This Week's Parish Announcements

Thank you for your service next weekend October 14 and 15.

Schaghticoke Site:

ALTAR SERVERS

4:00 pm No Servers 8:30 a.m. Jaquelyn Carlo
Maria Rice

LECTORS

4:00 pm Dot Jackuback 8:30 a.m. Cheri Foster

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

4:00 pm MA Arnold 8:30 a.m. Barbara Perry
Domma Colligan Katherine Rice

MONEY COUNTERS: (10/15) YELLOW TEAM -
B. Hebert, J. Kelly, G. Squires

Speigletown Site:

ALTAR SERVERS

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

LECTORS

10:15 a.m. Dick Harte

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

10:15 a.m. Claudia Mahoney
Jack Mahoney
Robin Jackson

MONEY COUNTERS: (10/15) Walt and Gail Byrne
Jack and Barbara Burke

ALTAR LINENS: (10/15) 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:

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.**

Reminder: Blood Pressure screening next week. Stop by before or after Mass throughout the weekend to have your blood pressure checked.

Health Tips: Don't plan that retirement party yet! To live longer, you may want to keep on truckin'. Forget sugarplums...but visions of retirement may dance through your head during long or arduous workdays. Close your eyes and you can see yourself poolside with your feet kicked up, working your way through a fabulous novel, your only pressing decision (of the whole week!) whether to start planning a trip to the Grand Canyon or the Grand Tetons. But retirement fantasies may be sweeter than the reality, according to a new study that linked working past 65 to better health and a longer life. "For many people, work can be a place of purposeful effort, meaningful social connections, physical activity, and economic security," explains Cleveland Clinic psychologist, PsyD, but that does not mean you should plan to keep your nose to the grindstone through the twilight years. "There's more than one path up the mountain". Many retirees stay busy with obligations and activities that keep them socially engaged and fuel their sense of purpose, like volunteering, caring for grandchildren, and spending time with friends and family. As you consider when to retire, think about the role that work plays in your overall health and well-being. Make sure your plan will keep you socially connected and fulfilled, whether at the office, at the park with your grandkids, or with pals on the putting green. <http://www.clevelandclinicwellness.com>

FRIENDS HELPING FRIENDS EVENT BUY A BOSCOV'S SHOPPING PASS!!!

Purchase a Boscov's Shopping Pass for \$5.00 and be eligible to receive 25% off most items in the store on **Tuesday, October 17th**. Please tell your family and friends. Passes will be sold at the entrances of our Churches after each Mass. If you need a supply of passes to sell, contact Ellie DeBonis at the church office at 518/235-0337.



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 1st and 2nd 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.**

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.**

Transfiguration Parish



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.

There will be a **Rosary Rally, Saturday, October 14 at 3:00 PM**. Come join in praying to our Blessed Mother then attend the 4:00 Mass where our Youth will sharing their talents as ministers at Mass.

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.



BOOK NOOK NEWS

The Book Nook is open on Saturday morning, October 21 from 9:00 am until noon. Lots of new copyrights by all of your favorite authors. The October half-priced specials are on **Debbie Macomber, James Patterson and Stuart Woods**. Of course our biographies, history, religious, self-help and children/young adult books are 6/\$1. Please stop by and see what new things have been donated. Lots of good reading!! Thanks for your continued support and see you at the Book Nook!

Annual Roast Pork Dinner

will be held to benefit

Transfiguration Parish

at our South site Parish Hall on

October 20, 2017 - 4:00-7:00 pm

SAVE THE DATE!!

We will be serving a delicious dinner at a reasonable price. Tickets are on sale after the Masses starting October 7th and by contacting the church office. Prices are Adults - \$11.00, Seniors - (65+) \$10.00 and children under 12 - \$5.00. Limited tickets at the door.

Don't forget to sign up to HELP us with the preparation, serving and clean-up for this fundraiser!

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 Speigle-town site. The sessions will begin at 6:30 pm, and last one hour. The dates for the sessions are:

Thursday, October 12, 2017

Thursday, October 19, 2017

Thursday, October 26, 2017

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

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|-------|---------------------------|--------------|--------|
| 10/10 | Liturgy Committee Meeting | 6:30 pm | S Site |
| 10/12 | Bible Study | 6:30 pm | S Site |
| 10/19 | Bible Study | 6:30 pm | S Site |
| 10/20 | Roast Pork Dinner | 4:00-7:00 pm | S Site |

Offertery Report:

September 23 & 24

4:00 \$1,062.00

8:30 2,271.00

10:15 1,168.00

On-line 417.00

Week 13 of the 2017-2018 Budget Budget = \$66,400.10

Collection = \$66,289.22

Shortfall = \$110.88

Sept. 30 and Oct. 1

\$1,640.00

1,887.00

1,400.00

202.69

Week 14 of the 2017-2018 Budget Budget = \$71,507.80

Collection = \$71,418.91

Shortfall = \$88.89

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

CATHOLIC CHARITIES'

100TH ANNIVERSARY SECOND COLLECTION

Catholic Charities is partnering with parishes throughout the Diocese of Albany for a **second collection October 14/15 to benefit The Campaign for Catholic Charities**. Please consider a generous response to help the working poor in the Albany Diocese. More information can be found online at www.ccrda.org/ campaign and envelopes can be found at the entrance of the church or in the October 5 issue of the Evangelist.



We have begun collecting for our **Annual Thanksgiving Food Drive**. Each weekend 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 Potatoes, Stuffing Mix and Rice**. 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. 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.**

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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