

The People of God, called to form the Christian Community of . . .

THE CHURCH OF THE TRANSFIGURATION

Tarrytown, New York 10591



JANUARY 19, 2020

**John the Baptist
saw Jesus coming
toward him and said,
“Behold, the Lamb of God,
who takes away
the sins of the world.”**

John 1:29

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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THE SACRAMENT OF THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK AND MINISTRY TO THE SICK & ELDERLY

The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick is a sacrament of healing, expressing love of God and our Church for the sick, our shut-ins and the elderly. Please call for more information

THE SACRAMENT OF THE EUCHARIST

Saturday, Evening: 5:00 pm
Sunday: 8:00 am, 10:00 am, 12:00 pm
Weekdays: Monday through Friday: 7:15 & 9:00 am (Day Chapel)
Weekends: Saturday morning: 9:00 am (Day Chapel)
Holy Days of Obligation: 7:15 am, 9:00 am, 12:10 pm & 7:30 pm.

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (Confession)

Saturday: 4:00 - 4:30 pm Other times by appointment

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

The Sacrament of Baptism is administered on the last Sunday of each month at 1:30 pm except during Advent and Lent. Please call for further information.

THE SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

The Sacrament of Matrimony is celebrated for parishioners. The couple are to contact the priest at least six (6) months prior to the ceremony. Please call for more information.

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Masses for the Week

SATURDAY-JANUARY 18, 2020

5:00 Guy Wilson req. by Jean Wilson

SUNDAY-JANUARY 19, 2020

8:00 Alexander Kalinowski req. by the Sokol family

10:00 Bernadina Fastiggi req. by the Fastiggi family

12:00 Arthur R. Schaufert req. by the Kyriacou family

MONDAY-Martin Luther King Day

9:00 Emanuel Mendez-Mendez req. by Marta Mendez

TUESDAY

7:15 Micah Abalahin req. by Fr. Emiel

9:00 Sr. Geraldine McGinn O.P. req. by Sal & Pat Marino

WEDNESDAY

7:15 A Special Intention

9:00 For the unborn

THURSDAY

7:15 The Parishioners of Transfiguration

9:00 Frank Janos req. by the family

FRIDAY

7:15 A Special Intention

9:00 Anthony Kunz req. by Lawrence Kunz

SATURDAY

9:00 James Hynes req. by the Keogh family

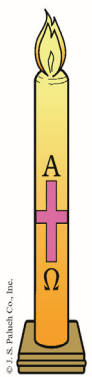
5:00 John & Mary Kunert req. By Mary Ann Kunert

SUNDAY

8:00 John Kunert req. by Teresa Broadway

10:00 Aileen Maher req. by Carolyn Walters

12:00 Fastiggi family req. by Mrs. Fastiggi



The Sanctuary candle burning in the Church this week is in memory of Marco Broadway req. by the Strilowich family

The Sanctuary candle burning in the Chapel this week is in memory of John & Mary Kunert req. by Calvin, Henry & Lola Strilowich

The Shrine candle is burning this week in memory of Vincent Foscaldi req. by the Latessa family

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 19, 2020

I will make you a light to the nations,
that my salvation may reach to the ends
of the earth. — *Isaiah 49:6b*



Weekly Offering

January 12, 2020

\$10,380.00

Attendance—660 Envelopes—209

Readings for the Week

- Sunday:** *Second Sunday in Ordinary Time; Julian Calendar Theophany (Epiphany)*
Is 49:3, 5-6; Ps 40:2, 4, 7-10; 1 Cor 1:1-3; Jn 1:29-34
- Monday:** *St. Fabian; St. Sebastian; Martin Luther King Jr. Day*
1 Sm 15:16-23; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23; Mk 2:18-22
- Tuesday:** *St. Agnes*
1 Sm 16:1-13; Ps 89:20-22, 27-28; Mk 2:23-28
- Wednesday:** *Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children*
1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51; Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10; Mk 3:1-6, or any of a number of readings for the Day of Prayer
- Thursday:** *St. Vincent; St. Marianne Cope*
1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7; Ps 56:2-3, 9-13; Mk 3:7-12
- Friday:** *St. Francis de Sales*
1 Sm 24:3-21; Ps 57:2-4, 6, 11; Mk 3:13-19
- Saturday:** *The Conversion of St. Paul; Week of Prayer for Christian Unity ends; Chinese New Year 4718*
Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Mk 16:15-18
- Sunday:** *Third Sunday in Ordinary Time; Sunday of the Word of God; Catholic Schools Week*
Is 8:23 — 9:3; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14;

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The glory of the LORD shows through Israel, a light to all nations, that salvation may reach to the ends of the earth (Isaiah 49:3, 5-6).

Psalm — Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will (Psalm 40).

Second Reading — All those who call upon the name of the Lord are called to be holy (1 Corinthians 1:1-3).

Gospel — John the Baptist testifies: The one who comes after me, on whom the Spirit comes down and remains, is the Son of God (John 1:29-34).

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BEND, DON'T BREAK

When you encounter difficulties and contradictions, do not try to break them, but bend them with gentleness and time.

—St. Francis de Sales

*Pastor's Letter***WHAT'S RIGHT AND WHAT'S WRONG – DISCERNING THE SPIRITS:**

“Beloved, do not trust every spirit but test the spirits to see whether they belong to God, because many false prophets have gone out into the world. This is how you can know the Spirit of God: every spirit that acknowledges Jesus Christ come in the flesh belongs to God, and every spirit that does not acknowledge Jesus does not belong to God. This is the spirit of the antichrist that, as you heard, is to come, but in fact is already in the world. You belong to God, children, and you have conquered them, for the one who is in you is greater than the one who is in the world. They belong to the world; accordingly, their teaching belongs to the world, and the world listens to them. We belong to God, and anyone who knows God listens to us, while anyone who does not belong to God refuses to hear us. This is how we know the spirit of truth and the spirit of deceit” (1 John 4:10-11).

“Benedict removes name from book on celibacy after dispute over his involvement” read the headline on the Facebook article. The controversy surrounds a new book written by Cardinal Sarah, prefect of the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments, in which he included an article written by Bishop of Rome emeritus, Benedict XVI, some years before he became pope. According to Cardinal Sarah, Benedict is the co-author of the book, having contributed to it, approved the draft, and the cover photo of himself with Sarah. Benedict’s secretary, Archbishop Georg Gänswein, clarified that Benedict approved only the use of the article, but had no idea that it would be included in the book, and so asked for both his name as co-author and his photo to be removed.

Wherever human beings have a vested interest, there will always be people who will try to convince others that their position is correct. Some will even take it to the point of manipulation, engaging in lies and deceit in order to coax others to believe in them. So how do we know to tell the difference?

The first letter from John, which I quote above, demonstrates that manipulation, and especially the use of God in deceit, has always been an issue. But the author gives us Christians a good tool for figuring out whether what we see or hear is authentic or not. That gauge is Jesus Christ. “Every spirit that acknowledges Jesus Christ come in flesh belongs to God,” he tells us, is the indicator of whether or not what we see or hear comes from God.

But mere verbal acknowledgement of Jesus Christ is not adequate enough. Throughout the centuries, some leaders of the Church preached Jesus from the pulpit while engaging in sinful and damaging behaviors outside, and the proliferation of evangelical preachers on TV speaking of Jesus while condoning harmful actions against other human beings, or amassing great fortunes at the expense of the poor and ignorant, shows us that verbally proclaiming to accept Jesus as one’s personal savior can also be deceptive. Because of this, we must always turn to Jesus’ own teaching.

Jesus teaches us the simple test for discerning truth: *“Beware of false prophets, who come to you in sheep’s clothing, but underneath are ravenous wolves. By their fruits you will know them. Do people pick grapes from thornbushes, or figs from thistles? Just so, every good tree*

bears good fruit, and a rotten tree bears bad fruit. A good tree cannot bear bad fruit, nor can a rotten tree bear good fruit. Every tree that does not bear good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire. So by their fruits you will know them" (Matthew 7:15-20).

He instructs us to look at what is produced by the message of the deliverer. Does the message challenge us to be better, to work toward unity with others? Does it call on us to be loved by God and to do His will? Or does it bring division and chaos? Does an investigation of the message and its deliverer result in coercion and an attempt to hide the truth? Does it lull us into a false sense of security? As you can see, feelings themselves are a poor indicator of the veracity of what we hear, because even feelings can be manipulated. But truth is always true, because it comes from God.

And so, my sisters and brothers, discern all spirits, even the ones coming from the priests' homilies. But ALWAYS use as your measure the gospel of Jesus Christ. Have a good week.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

OUR MILITARY:

Anthony Correia

OUR SICK:

Justin Baker, Ann Duggan Baker,
Vincent Bonsignore, Gary Cherico,
Gabrielle DeLuca,
Maria Diocelina Guananga Borja,
Sal DiPillo, William Duggan,
Sonia Fontanez, Norbert Godin,
James Keely, Peggy Lahoz,
Jesusa Marco, Marie Minuck,
Michael Mohoney, Patrick Nolan,
Edward F. Parzyk, Joan Rand,
Frances Rea, Antonio Rairez,
August Zagrobelny

OUR DECEASED:

Stephen Franga, Richard Price,
James J. White

If you would like to include others in this prayer list, please contact the priory office. Names will remain on the list for two weeks, or according to need.



Please come and join us at the Coffee Hour after the 10:00 Mass. Our hosts this Sunday will be Eleanor Hunt and Liz Rooney.

Family Life Ministry:

On **February 15th at 6 PM**, we will host a **Date Night** for all couples, featuring a wine tasting fundraiser sponsored by One Hope Wine which will contribute 10% of all purchases to support future Family Life Ministry events. Recommended donation is \$35 per couple. Hors d'oeuvres, dinner, and music will be provided. Please RSVP to: TransfigurationParents@gmail.com"

**St. Vincent de Paul
Food Collection Weekend –
February 1st & 2nd**

St. Vincent de Paul is a parish-based ministry that is part of a Catholic lay organization of men and women. . Our next food collection will take place next weekend, February 1st and 2nd. Each month, food is distributed to families in our own community. If you are unable to make a food purchase donation, please consider taking an envelope from the vestibule and making a monetary donation.

Items of Particular Need:

Paper Towels	Pasta Sauce
Canned Fruit	Jelly
Cereal	Small Peanut Butter

Other Donation Items:

Canned Tuna	Pasta
Canned Vegetable	Soup
Canned Chicken	

THANK YOU!!



Open House
9am-11am
Tuesday, January 28th

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