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.

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From the Desk of Deacon Chris…

THE BREAD OF LIFE, AND THE CUP OF ETERNAL SALVATION

Last Sunday, Transfiguration Parish celebrated the First Holy Communion Mass in Schaghticoke for nineteen of our children, and their families and friends. The church was full for the Noon Mass, and there were multiple flashes from cameras as the children processed in at the start of the Mass. I'd like to share some observations that I came away with.

The children were wonderful. They were very excited, but they did an excellent job paying attention during the Mass. When they came up around the altar for the Eucharistic Prayer, they focused on what Father Ingemie was praying, and they joined in with clapping their hands and singing. They answered the prayers out loud just like the adults in the congregation. They made me very proud.

During Holy Communion, I could not help but notice that the children were very focused on receiving the body and blood of Jesus for the very first time. I know they practiced because we practiced at rehearsal the Friday night before, but there was a noticeable difference when they received the living body and blood of Christ. They looked me in the eye, and responded, "Amen" very clearly when I offered them, "The Body of Christ." There was no question in my mind that the children were very aware that this was a very important moment in their lives. My hope and prayer is that they will always have that reverence in the moment, and the realization that they are receiving Jesus himself whenever they receive holy communion throughout their lives.

Again, this year, I am so very pleased with how much the children know about our faith, and their love of Jesus. I extend my grateful thanks to their faith formation teachers. In fact, I want to thank all our faith formation teachers at every grade level. I am always impressed by what our children and youth know about our faith. Our faith formation teachers truly understand what stewardship is by giving their time and talent to educate our youth, which is one of the most important things we do. I would be remiss if I did not thank Beth Thayer for everything she does as our Director of Religious Education.

Two more observations in general. First, I know there were quite a few people from our parish who attended the First Communion Mass who had no family relation to a child. They came because they are from Transfiguration Parish, and they wanted to support the children! Isn't that wonderful? Second, I experienced something I can only describe as an, "AHA" moment during distribution of communion. A young girl came before me to receive holy communion. I offered her, "The Body of Christ" and she responded, "Amen." Then she looked me in the eye, and whispered, "Thank you." She did not have to say thank you, but it struck me as a beautiful testimony that she is thankful for the gift of Jesus in holy communion. It was a special moment for me.

Receiving the Bread of Life and the Cup of Eternal Salvation is always cause for rejoicing! God Bless.

Deacon Chris

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Saturday May 13			
4:00 p.m.	Spe	**Shirley Walsh**	Nick and Barbara Nicholas
		Jack Graber	Tom and Cheryl Wallingford
		J. Kenneth Ray	Paul and Sue Bulmer
Sunday May 14			
8:30 a.m.	Sch	**John Dorr**	Estate of Alice Tate
10:15 a.m.	Spe	**Jana Thayer**	Sandy Barrett
		Catherine Reynolds	Dick and Betsy Harte
		Terry Kelvington	Ellie DeBonis
Tues. May 16			
9:00 a.m.	Sch	**Communion Service**	
Thurs. May 18			
9:00 a.m.	Spe	**Communion Service**	
Saturday May 20			
4:00 p.m.	Spe	**Jack Graber**	Jack and Barbara Burke
		Rev Ken Tunney	Tom and Cheryl Wallingford
		Terry Kelvington	Rose Cosgrove
Sunday May 21			
8:30 a.m.	Sch	**Mary Hodek**	The Family
10:15 a.m.	Spe	**Jana Thayer**	Walt and Paula Moran
		Tina Funicello	Dick and Betsy Harte

Catholic Charities
Personal Care Closet Drive

For the month of May Transfiguration Parish will be collecting personal care items for Catholic Charities. Some suggestions of items that are needed are soap, shampoo, deodorant, toothpaste and shaving items. It is also suggested that there is a need for paper products such as bath tissue, tissues and paper towels.

Please place your donated items in the boxes located at the entrances of our churches at the north and south sites.

REMINDER!!!

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

This Week's Parish Announcements

Thank you for your service next weekend May 20 and 21.

Schaghticoke Site:

ALTAR SERVERS

8:30 a.m. Julia Carlo
Nevin Doubleday
and Derek Cipolla

LECTORS

8:30 a.m. Pat Hebert

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

8:30 a.m. Jim Ryan
Barbara Perry

MONEY COUNTERS: (5/21) WHITE TEAM -
K. Madigan, P. Hayes, D. Carlo, J. Rowe

Speigletown Site:

ALTAR SERVERS

4:00 pm No Servers 10:15 a.m. Paulina and
AJ Sirtori

LECTORS

4:00 pm Brian Gregoire 10:15 a.m. Students

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

4:00 pm Paula Garneau 10:15 a.m. Debra Hebert
Maureen Filarecki Claudia Mahoney
Jane Heslin Jack Mahoney

MONEY COUNTERS: (5/21) Mary Hurley

ALTAR LINENS: (5/21) Mary Kay Oliver

Transfiguration Parish
NEW YORK YANKEES BUS TRIP
SOLD OUT!!!

New York Yankees vs. Detroit Tigers
August 2, 2017 at 1:05 pm

Please join us……

for a coffee and cake social to celebrate **Fr. James O'Neill's 60th Anniversary of his Ordination to the Priesthood** on **June 4th after the 10:15 am Mass in Speigletown**. For those of you who may not know, Fr. O'Neill was the first Pastor of the former St. Bonaventure Church. Fr. O'Neill was responsible for the formation of our parish and organizing the building of the main structure of our church and the rectory. Please help us celebrate this major accomplishment in the life of Fr. O'Neill.

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.

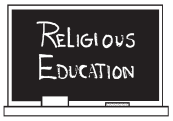
Health Tips: *Get fruity! A couple of servings a day may help you to keep macular degeneration away.* *If your brain, heart and eyes met for lunch, they'd probably order the same thing. The legendary benefits of the plant-rich Mediterranean diet don't end with your brain or your ticker — your whole body benefits, including your eyes. New research shows that including plenty of fruit in that Mediterranean diet may cut your risk of the leading cause of age-related blindness by a third. Holy papaya! Colorful, delicious fruit is loaded with antioxidants that are important for eye health, like vitamins A and C. Put berries, melon, kiwi, citrus, mango and other colorful fruits on your weekly shopping list, and have a couple of servings a day. Make sure you're eating a rainbow of veggies too (think sweet potatoes, carrots, squash, broccoli and spinach, with some garlic and spices to make it taste joyful). Add leafy greens like kale and collards and you'll get an array of vitamins and phytonutrients that benefit your eyesight. Seafood is an essential part of the Mediterranean diet too. The omega-3 fatty acid DHA (found in wild salmon), in particular, may support eye health. And don't forget the extra-virgin olive oil. A "fruit-forward" Mediterranean menu is not only delicious, it may keep you singing "I can see clearly now…" well into your twilight years.*
http://www.clevelandclinicwellness.com

SUPER RAFFLE TICKETS ON SALE

Chances will be available after the masses each weekend at our North and South sites at $100 per ticket. Feel free to call the church offices to reserve your favorite number chance during the week. The drawing will take place on July 15, 2017. 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.

We will be having a Chicken Barbeque on July 15th and the drawing will take place after dinner. More information on time and price to follow.

Tickets are going fast. Don't forget to purchase your ticket early so that you get your favorite number.



To benefit our youth who are preparing to attend The National Catholic Youth Conference

JOSEPH AND THE TECHNICOLOR DREAM COAT

June 4, 2017
at the Mac Haydn Theatre
Tickets cost $25.00

Join us for Mass at 10:30AM
St. John the Baptist Church of Valatie

Breakfast available for an additional $5.00
Joseph and the Technicolor Dreamcoat begins at 2:00 pm

St. John the Baptist Church of Valatie is proud to host Transfiguration Parish of Schaghticoke and Speigletown
Flyer/order forms are available after all Masses.
Questions Contact Beth Thayer 235-0337

FAITH FORMATION PICNIC

May 21st
Following the 10:15 Mass
All welcome come join us for this parish celebration.

COMMUNITY MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE

at

Faith Lutheran Church
Sunday, May 21st at 3:00 pm

Seven Area Churches will be participating.
Patriotic songs will be sung and refreshments served.

The Offering will be donated to Military Mom in Action

BOOK NOOK NEWS

Don't forget the **9th Anniversary $5/ bag sale starting on Saturday, May 13 at 9:00 am and continues each Saturday morning in May and three weekends in June.** This sale only happens twice a year, so don't miss out! The triple classroom will once again be filled with books from your favorite authors and some you've never heard of. There will be biographies, romance, history, cookbooks, religious, self-help, antique books and of course children and young adult books. Please be sure and stop by beginning 9:00 am on Saturday, May 13 and fill up a bag for just $5. Bring your own bag or use ours -- no bag is too big or too small. Thank you for your continued support and see you at the Book Nook!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Please mark your calendars

5/16	***Sacrament of Confirmation***	***7:30 pm***	***S Site***
5/22	***Pastoral Council Meeting***	***6:30 pm***	***S Site***
5/25	***Feast of the Ascension Mass***	***6:00 pm***	***S Site***
7/15	***Super Raffle Drawing and Barbeque***	***Time TBA***	***S Site***

Offertory:

May 6 and 7

8:00	$2.074.00
8:30	2,418.00
10:15	1,655.00

12:00 (First Communion) $1,153.00

Week 45 of the2016-2017 Budget
Budget = $220,673.25
Collection = $225,179.80
Surplus = $4,506.55

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

BIRTHRIGHT of Ballston Spa – will be offering fresh carnations for a $1 donation after all masses on **May 13 and 14** in celebration of Mother's Day. Proceeds from this sale will benefit women who need support through an unplanned pregnancy. Your continued support of this fundraiser is truly appreciated.

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.

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.

FIRST COMMUNION

It was an honor and privilege for us to have been part of the First Communion liturgy on May 7th. We would like to thank the First Communion Class for their thoughtful gifts. Sharing this wonderful milepost in their spiritual journeys was a gift we shall always cherish. May God continue to bless you.

Fr. Ingemie, Deacon Chris, and Deacon Charlie

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