

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.

VISION STATEMENT

Transfiguration Parish is committed to continual growth in the Catholic Faith through a lifelong union with Jesus Christ, and in service to others through the ministry of the Church. We spread the Good News of His love and promote His Word through evangelization, education, reflection, and daily witness. As faithful stewards we pledge to direct and develop the spiritual, human, financial, and material resources of the Church. We respond to His love with gratitude and prayer, with compassionate service, generous sharing, reconciliation and equality for all.

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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.

From the Desk of Deacon Chris...

THE PARABLE OF THE PRODIGAL SON – DO WE EVER IMITATE THE ELDER BROTHER?

I preached this past weekend on the Gospel of John, and Jesus giving his disciples, and us, a new commandment. Jesus instructed us to “Love one another as I love you.” Sunday evening, I was still thinking about the gospel reading, and I got to thinking about the Parable of the Prodigal Son which is found in the Gospel of Luke. We are all familiar with the story. The younger son went to his father, and asked to receive his full inheritance. The father grants his son’s request without question, and the younger son promptly goes off and spends all of his inheritance on questionable, and quite possibly, sinful living. Finally, the son has nothing left and is living in extreme poverty when he realizes that he can return to his father and beg for forgiveness. The son returns to the father, and the father embraces him, and joyfully throws a huge party to celebrate the return of his lost son. Clearly, we see in this parable the love of the father who represents God the Father, and we also can see the love of the younger son who knows his father loves him despite the poor choices he made.

What about the elder son? The parable tells us the elder son returned from the fields to find out from a servant that his brother has returned, and his father is throwing a celebration in joy. One might think the elder son would also be overcome with joy, but we find that just the opposite is true. The elder son is angry, even outraged, at the news and refuses to join the celebration. Even when his father comes out to him and pleads with his son to share the joyful love and happiness of the younger son’s return, the elder son still will not enter into his father’s love. Clearly, the elder son does not understand the measure of his father’s love.

You know how sometimes I have said we can do the right things, but for the wrong reasons. Perhaps the elder son is a good example of that. In his dialog with his father, the elder son angrily says that had always served his father, and never once disobeyed his orders. While that is very possibly true, the son does not indicate his service has been out of love for his father. In fact, we can sense his anger, resentment, and jealousy from the elder son’s remarks. Perhaps we can all relate to times when our anger, resentment, or jealousy clouded our own judgment, and shielded us from the love of another person, and the love of Jesus in our lives. The question we have to answer is how long do we hold on to these negative feelings and emotions? Do we allow them to control our lives in anger, or do we rise above our feelings and allow the love of Jesus to fill our hearts?

This is Mother’s Day weekend, so I want to close by asking the Lord to bless all mothers, both living and deceased. Perhaps we need look no further than our own mothers to find an example of the unconditional love of Jesus in our lives. I hope you join me in saying, “Thank you mom; I love you.” God bless.

Deacon Chris

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Saturday May 12

4:00 p.m.	Spe	Ann DeCaprio	Jack and Kathleen Sanvidge
		Elizabeth Russ	Jack and Kathleen Sanvidge
		Rose Etri	Tom and Cheryl Wallingford
		Mary Beth Lanzillo	Paul & Jean Hebert

Sunday May 13

8:30 a.m.	Sch	Stacey Kirkwood	Don & Cheri Foster
10:15 a.m.	Spe	Mary Beth Lanzillo	Midge Day
		Aaron Desrosiers	The Family
		Marge Weiss	Her Children and Grandchildren
		Marge Denio	The Family
		Michael Bartis	Lynn Bartis

Tues. May 15

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

Thurs. May 17

9:00 am Spe **Communion Service**

Saturday May 19

4:00 p.m.	Spe	Mary Rose O’Neill	Ellie DeBonis
		Frances Willson	Joe and Loretto Marchese & Family
		Alice Turgeon	Gene and Mary Posniewski
		Mary Beth Lanzillo	Tom and Cheryl Wallingford

Sunday May 20

8:30 a.m.	Sch	Stacey Kirkwood	Bob & Pat Hebert
10:15 a.m.	Spe	Vincent Paone	Phil and Mary Clemente
		Donald Durocher	Mike and Dawn Pakatar

MEMORIAL ECUMENICAL SERVICE

On Sunday May 20, 2018, our parish will host a Memorial Ecumenical Service at our church in Speigletown. The service will begin at 3:00 pm, and Transfiguration Parish will join with other area Christian Worship Communities for an afternoon of prayer, song, and fellowship. Please join us for a wonderful afternoon as we come together as one to honor members of the Armed Services, past and present, and give praise and glory to God!

There will be a reception with coffee and refreshments following the service. Please contact the parish office if you can provide finger foods such as cookies, cupcakes, brownies, etc.

This Week's Parish Announcements

Thank you for your service next weekend May 19 and 20.

Schaghticoke Site:

ALTAR SERVERS

8:30 a.m. Julia Carlo
Nevan Doubleday
Derek Cipola

LECTORS

8:30 a.m. Paul Loatman

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

8:30 a.m. Erin Carknard
Pat Rigney

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. Gaetana, Sofia and
Vincenzo Baldwin

LECTORS

4:00 pm Patricia Keough 10:15 a.m. Barbara and Hugh
Graber

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

4:00 pm Isabelle Churan 10:15 a.m. Robin Jackson
Andre Foucher MaryGrace Purcell
Nancy Fuocher Deb Hebert

MONEY COUNTERS: (5/20) Diane Heer and Nancy Shellard

ALTAR LINENS: (5/20) Kate Coventry

Transfiguration Parish NEW YORK YANKEES BUS TRIP

August 16, 2018

We have sold all the tickets we have available to fill one bus for the NY Yankees vs. Tampa Bay Rays baseball game. If you are interested, please place your name and number of tickets you would like on our waitlist. A sign-up sheet is available at the entrances of our churches or call 518/235-0337.

CONCERT

On **May 12th 2018** there will be a performance by **The Yale Alley Cats**, an A Cappella group from Yale University. The performance will take place in **Speigletown at 7:00 pm**.

Tickets will be on sale at the door.

Adults \$12.00
Children under 16 are \$5.00.

All proceeds go to The Yale Alley Cats. This group features Jacob Clemente who was a member of St. Bonaventure Parish as a child. Jacob is a local talent who performed on Broadway in the musicals Gypsy and Billy Elliot and now attends Yale University.

TRANSFIGURATION PARISH NURSE PROGRAM

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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' Notes:

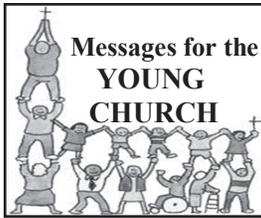
Blood Pressure Screening THIS weekend. Stop in and have your blood pressure checked and your blood sugar read by a Registered Nurse

Health Tips: *Rise and shine: Early birds make better food choices* "Early to bed, early to rise makes a man healthy, wealthy, and wise," Benjamin Franklin famously said. Cue eye rolls from the night owls out there! Wealthy and wise are up for debate, but early risers — both men and women — may indeed have a health edge. Previous research has shown that night owls have higher rates of diabetes, obesity, and heart disease, and a new study helps to explain why. Compared with night owls, morning people make better choices throughout the day, according to the research. Night owls tend to eat more sugary foods in the morning, more sugar and fat at night, and less protein overall. If you're a night owl and these patterns sound familiar, don't worry — you are not destined to ring in every midnight with a cheesy burger and ice cream! Consciously plan meals you love that are nutritious. Choose a protein-rich breakfast, and swap out junky snacks for nourishing plant foods (think fresh fruit, nuts, hummus and carrots). Want to hop on the early train? Genetics play a part in determining whether you're inclined to burn the midnight oil or rise with the birds, but you can shift your habits. Try going to bed a half-hour earlier than usual to start, setting aside an hour before bed for winding down (no screens!), and set your alarm for the same time every morning. Or bust out your tent and sleeping bag, and head for the woods (or your own backyard!): Research shows that camping for a week can help to reset your body clock! <http://www.clevelandclinicwellness.com>

REMINDER!!!

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

BIRTHRIGHT of Ballston Spa – will be offering fresh carnations for a \$1 donation after all masses on May 12 & 13 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.



Confirmation

Please hold our Confirmandi in your prayers as they receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on **May 24th at 7:30 PM at the Speigletown Site**. Prayer cards are available at the doors of the church.

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 518/235-0337

DRAWING STRENGTH FROM PRAYER

I found this in a book written by Father Ronald Rolheiser titled, "Sacred Fire, A Vision for a Deeper Human and Christian Maturity." This begins chapter six in the book which is titled, "Drawing Strength From Prayer." I think it is worth sharing.

Deacon Chris

The Difference

By Grace L. Naessens

I got up early one morning and rushed right into the day;
I had so much to accomplish, I didn't have time to pray.

Problems just tumbled about me and grew heavier with each task;
Why doesn't God help me, I wondered; He answered, "You didn't ask."

I wanted to see joy and beauty, but the day toiled on, gray and bleak;
I wondered why God didn't show me – He said, "But you didn't seek."

I tried to come into God's presence; I used all my keys at the lock;
God gently and lovingly chided, "My child, you didn't knock."

I woke up early this morning and paused before entering the day;
I had so much to accomplish that I had to take time to pray.



BOOK NOOK NEWS

The 10th Anniversary Blow-out \$5/Bag Book Sale is here! The Book Nook is celebrating 10 years! It will be open every Saturday morning in May, beginning Saturday, May 5 from 9:00

am until noon for their 10th Anniversary \$5/bag sale. It will also be open before and after the Masses during May. So many books....so little room! The triple classroom will once again be filled with books from your favorite authors and some you've never heard of. There are biographies, romance, history, cook-books, religious, self-help, antique books, CD's, DVD's and of course children and young adult books. **This sale only happens twice a year, so don't miss out!** Bring your own bag or use one of ours -- no bag is too big or too small! On that note....we can always use more donations. Please drop off your gently-used books during church office hours. Thank you for your continued support and see you at the Book Nook!

UPCOMING EVENTS
Please mark your calendars

- 5/15 *Garage Sale Planning Meeting* 6:00 pm S Site
- 7/14 *Drawing for the Super Raffle* 5:00 pm S Site

SCHAGHTICOKE FAIR FOOD BOOTH
Wednesday, August 29th - Monday, September 3rd

We have Day Captains for everyday but, Monday, September 3rd. This is Labor Day and it is a big day not only because of the crowd, but it is one of our best profit making days. It would be ideal to have co-captains for that day. If you and a relative or friend would consider volunteering for this important day, please contact the church offices at 518/235-0337 or 518/753-4554. Do not hesitate to volunteer as we are always in need of help.

Offertory Report: May 5 and 6

4:00	\$2,613.00
8:30	1,398.00
10:15	1,089.00
Noon	754.00
On-line	588.65

Week 45 of the 2017-2018 Budget

Budget = \$229,847.46

Collection = \$236,823.23

Surplus = \$6,975.77

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

GARAGE SALE

Save the dates and save your treasures!

The 9th Annual Parish-wide Garage Sale

Friday, August 31st and Saturday, September 1st

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.

We are having a planning meeting on May 15th at 6:00 pm at our Speigletown Site. We are looking for someone to Co-chair this event. It is a lot of work and you are busy for many days and weeks before the event. We are looking for someone to help share the responsibility. Please try to attend the meeting and bring any new and fresh ideas to help to continue to make this huge fundraiser a another big success.

WORDS TO LIVE BY

"Know that the greatest service that man can offer to God is to help convert souls."

St. Rose of Lima

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