

Transfiguration Parish



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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.

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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From the Desk of Deacon Chris...**TIME ON MY HANDS**

I am writing this article on the morning of January 20, 2019. Normally at this time, I would be at our Sunday morning Masses celebrating Holy Eucharist with all of you. Not today! A very nasty winter storm has hit our area overnight, and Transfiguration Parish, along with most every parish in the northeast, has cancelled all Masses this Sunday. Bishop Scharfenberger gave a dispensation for all the faithful for their obligation this Sunday. Based on what I am seeing outside, we made the right decision for the safety of all, even though it bothers me to cancel Mass.

Anyway, it turns out I have some free time on my hands, and I got to thinking about time, and how we manage our time. In my article for the first of the New Year, I wrote about deepening my loving relationship with God, and it seems to me that can only happen if I dedicate enough time with Jesus in Word, Sacrament, Acts of Charity, and Prayer. Time management is essential if I want to accomplish my goal of deepening my relationship with God.

How often do we hear someone say, or say ourselves, "I just don't have enough time for everything!" Just think about it. We have twenty-four hours in a day, and if we sleep for eight hours as we should, that leave us with only sixteen hours. Now we have to factor in work, and our culture almost encourages us to work long, difficult hours to advance our career. How many of you work ten to twelve hours a day, six or seven days a week? Let's just say you work ten hours a day. That just leaves six hours left for everything else. Is it any wonder that people will experience tension and anxiety in their lives and might say things like, "I don't have enough time for my family." Given all of the things that are going on in our lives, how often do we let our prayer life, and developing a more loving relationship with God, take a back seat?

My friends, we live in a society that tends to prioritize and praise a frantic busyness in our lives while neglecting the peace and calm that a loving relationship with God offers us. I certainly do not have all the answers, and sometimes my life feels overwhelming with all of the things going on.

Mass Schedule & Intentions**Saturday January 26**

4:00 p.m. Spe	Joseph E. Smith Philippa Koval Brian Wallingford	Estate of Joseph E. Smith Phil & Mary Clemente Tom & Cheryl Wallingford
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Sunday January 27

8:30 a.m. Sch	Dorothy Evelyn Madigan Helen Odmin William "Bill" VanAlstne Norman Serson	Mary Ellen Schroder & Family Angie Odmin Beth Thayer Nancy Serson
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10:15 a.m. Spe	Joan Weglarz Rob Browne Marge & Fedela Venaziano Shirley Hupman	Joe & Mary Grace Purcell Brendese & Venaziano Families The Family Mary Grace & Joe Purcell
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Tues. January 29

9:00 a.m. Sch	Communion Service
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Thurs. January 31

9:00 a.m. Spe	Communion Service
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Saturday February 2

4:00 p.m. Spe	Joseph E. Smith Philippa Koval Mary Dorothy Lanoue	Estate of Joseph E. Smith Pam & Nelson Schmidt Dorothy Lewis
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Sunday February 3

8:30 a.m. Sch	Dorothy Evelyn Madigan Patricia Simmons Mitola Joan Weglarz Mary Ann Cassidy	Mary Ellen Schroder & Family Beth Thayer Jack & Kathleen Sanvidge Dick & Betsy Harte
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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.

How should we proceed? I think the answer does lie in prayer, and the guidance of the Holy Spirit. Maybe we all need to look at our priorities. Yes, having a successful career and providing for our loved ones is very important, but at what expense? Maybe we can all cut back on work, and spend more time with our loved ones, and especially make spending time with Jesus our top priority. Jesus offers us the peace and calm we all seek. We do have a finite number of hours in a day, but let's take control of how we use those hours. Do not fall into the trap of being so busy that we have no time to spend with the Lord. Isn't the time spent with Jesus, the most important time we have? God bless.

Deacon Chris

This Week's Parish Announcements

Thank you for your service. Next weekend — February 2 and 3

Schaghticoke Site:

ALTAR SERVERS

4:00 pm None 8:30 am N/A

LECTORS

4:00 pm Mary Agnes Arnold 8:30 am Cheri Foster

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

4:00 pm Mary Agnes Arnold 8:30 am Bob & Kathy Keyes
Pam Schmidt

MONEY COUNTERS: (2/3) Yellow Team
B. Hebert, J. Kelly, G. Squires

Speigletown Site:

ALTAR SERVERS

4:00 pm None 10:15 a.m. N/A

LECTORS

4:00 pm 10:15 a.m. Sandy Barrett

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

4:00 pm 10:15 a.m. Marge Brendese
Barb Colangione
Ellie DeBonis

MONEY COUNTERS: (2/3) Rose Cosgrove
Maureen Filarecki

ALTAR LINENS: (2/3) Mary Leslie Dunn

REMINDER!!!

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

Offertory Report:

January 12 and 13

4:00	\$ 1,513.00
8:30	1,538.00
10:15	948.00
On-line	737.55

Week 29 of the 2018-2019 Budget

Budget = \$148,813.73

Collection = \$148,485.75

Shortfall= 327.98

January 12 and 13

4:00	\$ 1,477.00
On-line	397.55

All Sunday Masses cancelled due to snowstorm

Week 30 of the 2018-2019 Budget

Budget = \$153,948.34

Collection = \$150,360.30

Shortfall= 3,588.04

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

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: Seeking marital harmony? Wait for it! What do exercise, vegetables, and marriage have in common? All three can be great for you! The link between marriage and health is complicated, however. People who are in stable, supportive marriages live longer and in better health; those in stressful, conflict-ridden marriages, not so much. But what about run-of-the-mill bickering and grumpiness that can plague even loving couples navigating life together for decades? New research shows that hanging in there may pay off. Over the course of 13 years, researchers tracked couples who'd been married 15 to 35 years and found that as couples aged, they were more likely to interact with humor, tenderness, and acceptance and less with negative behaviors like defensiveness and criticism. Whatever is behind this positive trajectory, it's good news for health and happiness during the golden years of marriage. Want to accelerate the process? Infuse your relationship with gratitude. Research shows that people tend to feel grateful when their partners are responsive to their needs, and that this can lead to a positive cycle of thoughtfulness and gratitude that can strengthen relationships. Get the ball rolling by tuning in to your partner's needs and feelings and noticing the things you appreciate. Choose to pay attention to the positive rather than harping on squabbles and differences. Then let the feelings of connection, love, and ease flourish! <http://www.clevelandclinicwellness.com>

Timeless: A Prayer Series

Have you ever wondered what a Vespers service is like?

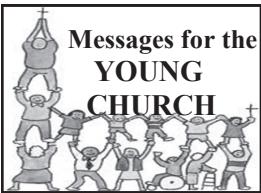
You can find out right here at **St. Clement Church** because at our next Timeless gathering, we'll be singing Vespers and learning more about the Liturgy of the Hours as well.

Come draw closer to the Lord on

Saturday, February 2, at 8:00 pm in the Church.

Each month, Timeless explores a different prayer form from the Church's rich treasury, offering the chance to encounter God in music, word, and silence. Contact jeanetteflood@yahoo.com for more information.

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Faith Formation Sessions

**January 27 Grades 7 to 10 —Young Church Mass
6:30PM —Speigletown**

On February 3rd we will have our annual “SOUPER” Bowl Collection. Youth will be at all Masses to accept non-perishable goods or monetary donations. All donations will be distributed to our local food pantries.

Can and Bottle Drive Continues—Thank you for your continued support of our Bottle and Can Drive. The proceeds help fund activities for our youth. Please consider asking friends and family members to donate their cans and bottles.

Beth Thayer, Director of Faith Formation & Youth Ministry: 518-235-0337

**St. Mary's Catholic School of Waterford
Open House
Sunday, January 27, 2019
11:30 AM—2:00 PM**

Experience Our Community of Faith, Tradition and Excellence

We invite you to visit St. Mary's School to learn more about our community and programs. St. Mary's offers a safe, nurturing environment where students excel.

- Come meet our talented teachers and enjoy a guided tour provided by our Student Council leaders.
- Explore the school, from our lively pre-kindergarten classrooms to our new MakerSpace.
- Talk one-on-one with parents of current students.

RSVP on-line at: smswaterford.org or call us at 518-237-0652 for more information.



BOOK NOOK NEWS
The Book Nook is open on
Saturday morning, February 2
from 9:00 am until noon.

Please stop in and see the new donations and to check out our February specials!

We are always looking for more books, so please continue to drop off your gently-read donations at either entrance of the church during office hours.

Thanks again for your continued support and see you at the Book Nook.

UPCOMING EVENTS
Please mark your calendars

2/6/19 Pastoral Council Meeting 6:30pm Schaghticoke

**ZUMBA CLASS
MONDAY EVENINGS—SPEIGLETON
6-7pm**

Zumba Class this past Monday with our new instructor, Christine Williams, was a huge success! We had 30 people in attendance. **Great for beginners!**

Only \$5 per class.

Fun, Fun, Fun! Everyone is welcome!

*****Our Fundraising could really use some generous assistance with donations to be used in our Fish Fry Raffle Baskets. Some suggestions would be gift cards for local vendors, movie tickets, new and unopened items, wines or food items.*****

The Back Pack Program supplies at risk children with food for the weekend. We will be aiding Turnpike, Rensselaer and Hoosic Valley schools. Suggested items: Mac & Cheese (boxed or single, microwaveable ones), pasta, soups, spaghetti, single serve meals for microwave, fruit snacks, single serve cereal, fruit cups.

Please—NO PEANUT PRODUCTS

Boxes will be at the entrances of churches.

If you would like to help, please call the office.

BIRTHRIGHT, a local pregnancy support service in Ballston Spa, has moved to **1490 Saratoga Rd (Rte 50), Ballston Spa**. Our mailing address is still PO Box 661, Ballston Spa, NY 12020, which should be used when sending any donations or correspondence. Our phone # is the same **518-885-4117**. New office hours are **Monday—Friday, 10a.m. to 3 p.m., or any other time by appointment**.

Birthright has been serving the Capital Region for 41 years and relies on the generosity of its volunteers and donors. All of our services are **free and confidential**, including self-administered pregnancy tests, diapers, formula, layettes and essential baby items. We accept donation of these items; the clothing should be new or “gently used”, and we cannot accept toys or furniture.

WORDS TO LIVE BY

“Faith is taking the first step even when you don’t see the whole staircase.”

~Martin Luther King

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