

Transfiguration Parish



30th Sunday IN ORDINARY TIME

"But the tax collector stood off at a distance and would not even raise his eyes to heaven but beat his breast and prayed, 'O God, be merciful to me a sinner.'" - Lk 18:13

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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.

Deacon Chris Keough - Parish Life Director
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*From the Desk of Deacon Chris...***CHRISTIAN HOSPITALITY:
ALL ARE WELCOME**

We often refer to our church buildings as, "The House of God." Every week in the House of God, we celebrate Holy Eucharist as we give honor and glory to God in Word and Sacrament. We rejoice as we receive the living Body and Blood of Jesus Christ in Holy Communion, and we all come together as a community of faith. But do we all come together?

We can all think of times we have travelled on vacation, and attended Mass in another parish. How were you welcomed? Did you feel you were entering a Christian community that welcomes strangers with warm hospitality? Or, did you feel like you were not particularly welcome at all, that you were looked upon as an outsider? I have experienced both situations over the years. I have attended Masses in parishes whose people welcomed me as one of their own. They smile and say hello, or welcome you as you enter the church. They might hand you a prayer book or a bulletin, and let you know where the restrooms are. They might even let you know they are having a hospitality hour after Mass, and invite you to join them. At the sign of peace, they make a point of wishing you the peace of Christ, and you wish them the same. You leave Mass feeling like you were a welcome participant in the Eucharist, and you thank God for such a grace-filled experience in a parish that is not your parish.

I have also experienced situations where the reactions and attitudes of the parishioners were anything but welcoming. Maybe you know what I am talking about. You enter the church, and can almost feel a negative vibe. It is almost like people are saying to you, "What are you doing here?" People may look at you, but it is with more of a glare than a smile. People certainly do not say hello, or welcome you to their parish. Tell me if this has ever happened to you. God help you if you inadvertently sit in someone's seat! They will tell you in no uncertain terms that you need to move because you are in their seat. It may seem like you are attending Mass in a hostile environment.

Mass Schedule & Intentions**Saturday October 26**

4:00 p.m. Sch	Dorothy Evelyn Madigan	Mary Ellen Schroder & Family
	Anna Dorr	Alice Tate Estate

Sunday October 27

8:30 a.m. Sch	Joseph Edward Smith	Estate of Joseph E. Smith
10:15 a.m. Spe	Willis Wiley Marge & Dom Denio Richard Bartis	The Family The Family Barbara & Nick Nicholas

Tues. October 29

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

9:00 am Spe	Communion Service
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Saturday November 2

4:00 p.m. Spe	Will Rowe Richard Bartis Alma & Burton Feathers Mildred Hart	Rowe & Collins Families Pam & Nelson Schmidt John & Kathy Farina John & Kathy Farina
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Sunday November 3

8:30 a.m. Sch	Dorothy Evelyn Madigan	Mary Ellen Schroder & Family
	Alice Tate	Alice Tate Estate
10:15 a.m. Spe	Jane Bartis Henry Rosenzweig Judy Decker Cindy Martin	Sandy Barrett Ron & Pat Turcotte Joe & Mary Grace Purcell Bodenstab Family

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.

I truly hope Transfiguration Parish is a welcoming parish, and not a hostile environment for visitors. We should all act as greeters, as we invite new people to join us in worshipping God. Make people feel at home, just like you welcome friends into your own homes. Jesus taught us to love one another as He loves us, and like the old saying goes, "Love starts in the Home." My friends, this is God's House, this is Jesus' Home. Let us welcome friends and strangers alike. God bless.

Deacon Chris

This Week's Parish Announcements

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

Schaghticoke Site:

LECTORS

4:00pm None

8:30am Leah Seymour

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

4:00pm None

8:30am Erin Carknard
Julia Carlo
Katherine Rice

ALTAR SERVERS

4:00pm None

8:30am Arianna Keyes
Megan Rice
Ava Wiley

MONEY COUNTERS: (11/3) White Team

D. Carlo, P. Hayes, K. Madigan, J. Rowe

Speigletown Site:

LECTORS

4:00pm Donna Colligan

10:15am Sandy Barrett

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

4:00pm

10:15am Andre Foucher
Nancy Foucher
Tom Hallock

ALTAR SERVERS

4:00pm NA

10:15a.m. Vincent Baldwin
A J Sirtori

MONEY COUNTERS: (11/3) Diane Heer, Nancy Shellard

ALTAR LINENS: (1/3) Martha Cioffi

Offertory Report: October 12 and 13

4:00	\$ 865.00
8:30	1,629.00
10:15	1,501.00
On-line	608.83

Week 15 of the 2019-2020 Budget

Budget = \$77,019.15
Collection = \$68,833.87
Shortfall= -8,185.28

Offertory Report: October 19 and 20

4:00	\$1,278.00
8:30	1,007.00
10:15	1,656.00
On-line	683.95

Week 16 of the 2019-2020 Budget

Budget = \$82,153.76
Collection = \$73,458.80
Shortfall= -8,694.96

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

NEWLY BAPTIZED!

We welcome Lyla Kathryn Garner as the newest member of Transfiguration Parish. Lyla received the Sacrament of Baptism at the 10:15 am Mass in Speigletown on October 20, 2019. Analise is the daughter of Robert and Jessica, and her Godparents are Philip and Nikki Lanoue.

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.**

"Two by Two" Faith in Action Team will meet on Thursday, September 30th @ 10:30AM at the Speigletown site.

Health Tips: Make happiness a habit, and you might live longer. You know the basics for staying healthy: eat a nourishing diet, exercise regularly, avoid toxins like tobacco, sleep well, have a buddy, and don't let stress get the best of you. But there's a more elusive quality that may help you live a more fulfilling life, and perhaps even a longer one: happiness. According to new research, there's a strong link between happiness and longevity. Over the course of six years, men and women age 60 and up who reported being happier were less likely to die than those who reported being less happy, even when health and lifestyle habits were taken into account. Scientists define happiness not as pure pleasure but as a sense of satisfaction and meaning. So how do you increase those qualities? Is it even possible? Genetics play a role, in that inherited character traits can tilt you toward either contentment or discontent, but research suggests that certain habits and attitudes can make a big difference, too. People who report being happy tend to have meaningful relationships and connections. So spend time with the people you care about, and if you don't have many connections, reach out and make new ones. Along the same lines, giving to others, whether that means giving your money, your time, or lending an ear to someone who needs it, fuels happiness. A healthy lifestyle, with plenty of exercise and enough sleep, can help you manage stress and feel good. Whether getting happier leads to more years or just better years, it's well worth pursuing! <http://www.clevelandclinicwellness.co>

ALL SAINTS/ALL SOULS MASS

The Feast of All Saints Day will be celebrated on Friday November 1, 2019. All Saints Day is a Holy Day of Obligation, and we will have a Mass in Speigletown on November 1 beginning at 6:30 pm.

This year we will combine our All Saints Day celebration with our traditional All Souls Day remembrance Mass. We will honor and pray for loved ones from our parish who have passed away over the past year. Anyone who wants to have a loved one remembered at the Mass on November 1 are asked to contact the parish office (518-235-0337 or 518-753-4554) or Martha Cioffi (518-235-7743) **by Monday October 28, 2019.**

Transfiguration Parish

Messages for the YOUNG CHURCH

Faith Formation Sessions

November 3—Grades K — 6

CONFIRMATION 2020

Yes it says 2020!!! Youth who are in the 10th grade or are 15 years old are eligible to make their confirmation. If your youth is eligible and has not been registered in our FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM please e mail Beth Thayer at e.thayer@transfigurationparish.net, or phone 518-235-0337 so that you will receive all information pertaining to sacramental preparation.

****UPCOMING PARISH ACTIVITIES SPONSORED BY THE YOUTH**

- November 9 Snack Bar—Parish Texas Hold'em Event
- **Cook Books available after each Mass for \$10**

TEXAS HOLD-EM TOURNAMENT

Transfiguration Parish will host a Texas Hold-Em Poker Tournament in Speigletown on **Saturday November 9, 2019**. Participants are asked to arrive by 6:00 pm, and the tournament will begin at 6:15 pm. The Buy-In to play is \$50.00, and Re-Buys (First 45 minutes only) will be \$20.00.

50 % Prize Money (payouts tbd by number of players)

25 % of the proceeds will go to Transfiguration Parish

25% of the proceeds will support the Parish Youth Trip to NCYC

Advance registration (cash preferred) will be available after most Masses in October

Those registering at the door must pay with cash

All Re-Buys will be cash only

Registrants will receive a playing card that will be their ticket into the event

Concessions available for purchase during the tournament (proceeds to NCYC)

Tournament rules will be provided at registration

There will be **two tutorials available** for people who are new to the game:

Saturday October 26 at 5:00 pm in Schaghticoke

Sunday October 27 at 11:30 am in Speigletown

Questions: Call Scott Rice @ 518-496-2953

BOOK NOOK NEWS



The Book Nook is open from **9AM until Noon** on **Saturday, November 2 & 16** with the following half-priced author specials: Mary Higgins Clark, Clive Cussler, Debbie Macomber & John Sandford.

Four great authors at a great price! Come check out our new donations. Thanks for your continued support. See you at the Book Nook!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Please mark your calendars

11/1	All Saints/ All Souls Day Mass	6:30pm Speigletown
11/9	Texas Hold 'Em	6:00pm Speigletown
11/13	Pastoral Council Meeting	6:30pm Speigletown

REMINDER!!!

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

BIRTHRIGHT would like to remind parishioners that the **Baby Bottles are DUE BACK** (even empty). Birthright expresses their gratitude.

Military Mom In Action

We will be collecting for Military Mom in Action. This organization sends snack packages to our active duty military personnel. Please see the insert and the posters for the items we need for the packages. Monetary donations are accepted to offset the cost of shipping.

THANKSGIVING FOOD BASKETS

We are collecting non perishable items and turkeys (frozen -please deliver during office hours) for our local families in need. There is a list of especially needed items, and boxes for the donations, at the church entrances. **All donations must be to the church by November 24.**

BACK PACK Program resumes

Donation boxes are at the church entrances for items for our area schools that send food home with the children in need. Suggested items are those non-perishables in singles containers (mac n'cheese, pastas, cereals, fruit, etc.) and snacks.

ZUMBA!

Monday Evenings—6 PM

Fun Dances! No experience necessary! **No need to pre-register.** Bring your friends and family. \$5

BOOK CLUB NEWS!

The next meeting of the book club will be in Speigletown on **Monday, November 4, 2019**. The meeting will begin at **6:00 pm**, and people are asked to bring a canned good for the Thanksgiving Baskets.

The next book we will be discussing is "**Ladder Years**" written by Anne Tyler. Please join us on November 4 for an evening of lively discussion about "**Ladder Years**."

WORDS TO LIVE BY

"Be who God meant you to be
and you will set the world on fire."

~St. Catherine of Siena

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.

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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