

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

THE CHURCH OF THE TRANSFIGURATION

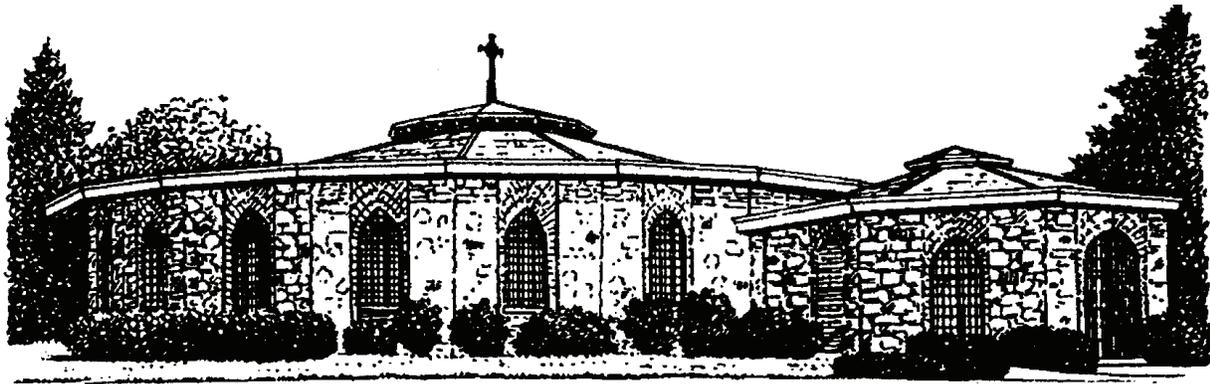
Tarrytown, New York 10591



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Transfiguration Parish is a community of Christian believers faithful to our Catholic tradition and a pilgrim people entrusted to the Carmelite Fathers. Through our participation in public worship we are nourished by the Word and the Body of the Lord. We are called to share what we have received by evangelization and by good works to those in need.

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 only
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

Pre-Baptismal Instruction for Parents:

Held prior to Baptism (Call the Parish Office for schedules and further information)

Baptisms

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

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.

PRIORY OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Thursday: 9:00 am to 7:00 pm
Friday: 9:00 am to 4:00 pm
Saturday: 2:00 pm to 6:30 pm
Sunday: 9:00 am to 1:30 pm
Closed on all holidays.

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. For the SERIOUSLY ILL and dying, contact the Priory. Communion will be brought on Sundays to the home of any person permanently or temporarily homebound.

CHRISTIAN HOSPITALITY

Welcome to the Transfiguration Community. Please register at the Priory. Registering and weekly participating are ways of acquiring a true sense of belonging to our parish community. A record of active membership is a necessary requirement for marriage in the Parish Church, testimonial letters for Baptismal/Confirmation sponsors. If you move or change address, please notify us.

COUNSELING

Know that we are ever ready to assist. Don't hesitate to call anytime for an appointment.
Dr. Frank Pastore 631-0045

Priory
268 So. Broadway
631-1672

Transfiguration School
Prospect Avenue
631-3737

Religious Ed. Center
Prospect Avenue
631-2380



Weekly Offering



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God's Plan for Giving

Sunday, May 21 2017

\$6,561.00

Attendance- 647 Envelopes-196

School Maintenance

\$4,195.00 Envelopes-141

READINGS, SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Sunday: Seventh Sunday of Easter
Acts 1:12-14; Ps 27:1, 4, 7-8; 1 Pt 4:13-16;
Jn 17:1-11a; or (for Ascension)
Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47:2-3, 6-9; Eph 1:17-23;
Mt 28:16-20
- Monday: Memorial Day
Acts 19:1-8; Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab;
Jn 16:29-33
- Tuesday: Shavuot ("Weeks"), the Jewish festival of
the giving of the Law, begins at sunset
Acts 20:17-27; Ps 68:10-11, 20-21;
Jn 17:1-11a
- Wednesday: The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16;
Is 12:2-3, 4bcd-6; Lk 1:39-56
- Thursday: St. Justin
Acts 22:30; 23:6-11; Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-11;
Jn 17:20-26
- Friday: Ss. Marcellinus and Peter; First Friday
Acts 25:13b-21; Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab;
Jn 21:15-19
- Saturday: St. Charles Lwanga and Companions;
First Saturday
Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; Ps 11:4, 5, 7;
Jn 21:20-25
- Sunday: Pentecost Sunday;
Julian Calendar Pentecost
Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or
Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5; Ps 104:1-2a, 24, 35c,
27-28, 29bc-30; Rom 8:22-27; Jn 7:37-39
Day: Acts 2:1-11; Ps 104:1, 24, 29-31, 34;
1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13; Jn 20:19-23

MEMORIAL DAY

They fell, but o'er their glorious grave
Floats free the banner of the cause they died to
save.

—Francis Marion Crawford

SATURDAY, May 27, 2017

5:00 David O'Shea req. by the LAOH Kitty Geissler
Division II

SUNDAY, May 28, 2017

8:00 Susan Winn req. by Linda Heyman
10:00 Winifred Lindsay req. by Lois Duggan
12:00 Carmelo Scezzi req. by Patrick & Lucy DiMuro

SCHEDULE OF MASSES FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY

9:00 Anthony Pujia req. by Mary Pujia

TUESDAY

7:15 Kathleen Casey req. by Terry & Ellen McGlynn
9:00 Katie & Patrick Rooney req. by Mary Gorman

WEDNESDAY

7:15 The Parishioners of Transfiguration
9:00 Deceased members of the Brennan & Sullivan
Families req. by Mary Gorman

THURSDAY

7:15 Gino Tramontelli req. by Ira Tramontelli
9:00 Mary Mondell req. by Mr. & Mrs. Charles
Macellaro

FRIDAY

7:15 A Special Intention
9:00 Frances Falcoabramo Req. by The Molloy Family

SATURDAY

9:00 The Doyle & McGuire Families req. by
Joan DeMeo
5:00 Dorothy & James Muldoon req. by
Joyce Hufnagel

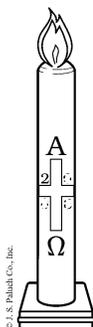
SCHEDULE OF MASSES FOR NEXT SUNDAY

8:00 John Prescott req. by Mark Prescott
10:00 Jean Amodio req. by Caroline Walters
12:00 Bridget Connelly req. by Ron Palmer

The Sanctuary candle burning in the Church
this week in the memory of John J. Hartigan
req. by Peg Mahoney

The Sanctuary candle burning in the Chapel
this week in the memory of the victims of
the Manchester bombing.

The Shrine candles are burning this week
for the sick members of our parish.



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Happy – Unhappy

There was a test for the students of suffering, regardless their age. The question was simple: “**Prove that you are miserable.**”

The first student, a man in his 60’s, wrote; I grew up in a poor farm family. My parents worked very hard in the field. Since we were poor, I had to stop going to school to help earn a living. I feel sad when thinking about it.

The second student, a young lady, wrote; I have poor health. I have often been sick since my childhood. It’s easy for me to be under the weather. Very uncomfortable! ...

The third student, a man in his 20’s, wrote without any hesitation: I don’t have any talent. When my friends get together, they sing but I don’t. They always tease me since I can’t carry a tune. So upset and discouraged! ...

The fourth student was about to write when he suddenly stopped. He then seemed very tense. Finally, he decided to leave the paper blank.

The results of the test: The first three all got 1 point as a reward for their...effort to write. The fourth had to come see the professor to explain why he didn’t write anything.

Then came the time for the professor’s response. He gave a general comment: “You guys don’t get high marks because you didn’t manifest your ability to think deep. You only listed the things you didn’t like in your life. Anyone can do that. Your work didn’t actually prove that you were truly miserable since your view was too narrow”.

The professor then turned to the fourth student and asked: “Why did you leave your paper blank”?

“Professor, at first, I also had a tendency to give a list of things I didn’t like. But I stopped”.

“Why did you stop”?

The fourth student said, “Please allow me to come in

front of everyone. It’s easier for me to talk”. Then he limped over with difficulty to the teacher’s platform. He graciously greeted everyone with a friendly smile. People saw burnt marks on half of his face. He began to speak:

“When I was young, my parents would work on a farm far from home. My sister and I stayed home. One day my sister was cooking when the house caught fire and burnt to the ground. As you see, I was badly burned and the marks are still on my face. When I was seven, my dad passed away. So I had to go around the local markets to sell lottery tickets (very poor job) to help my mom earn a living. Then a few years ago, on the way home from church, a drunk driver hit me and I have been lame ever since. Now when it is cold, I feel a lot of pain in my leg. Recently, I must confess, I have been in love with a girl, but in my condition, how could I ever win her heart”?

The room was crowded. His voice was quite soft but everyone heard clearly what he was saying because a great silence penetrated the room.

“But why didn’t you write these down on your paper” said the professor.

I started to, but then when I unexpectedly recalled the words of my friend in church last Sunday. He told his poor friends: “Blessed are you.” This made me stop and think. Then I realized that, in order to prove that I am truly miserable, I must prove that I have nothing to make me happy.

Everyone listened attentively. The professor raised his voice: “Great! Sorry I am not a Christian, so please let me ask about your friend there. What did he exactly say that changed your way of viewing things”?

My friend’s name is Jesus. He says: “*Blessed are your eyes because they see what they are seeing, and your ears because they hear what they are hearing. For truly I tell you, many people longed to see what you see but did not see it, and to hear what you hear but did not hear it.*” (Mt 13:16-17) At that moment, I began to hear and see lots of good things in my life.

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I have my mom and my sister. Our home, though not rich, is warmhearted. I have feelings. I have generosity. I have a conscience. I have friends to talk to. I have many people who pray for me. I have a chance to go to school. I have intelligence to discover that good can come out of bad, meaning there is grace in a plight. For example, since I grew up in difficulty, I learned to sympathize more easily with the poor. Since I am handicapped, I understand the pain of others. Since I see that I am limited, I put more trust in God. Ah, each weekend, I have an opportunity to go to church with my mom and sister and many neighbors to listen to God's word. Fantastic! You see, I have so much to be happy".

My dear friend, if you share the view of the fourth student, I'd like to invite you to go back to the word of Jesus when he says that the disciples are blessed. Compared with them, we may be even more blessed because we may have heard and seen more. Among the blessings mentioned by this student, I'd like to contemplate more on the blessing of knowing God and God's word. Although I am still 'young', I have had opportunities to listen to different people who confided in me: "Without God's presence, I don't know how I would be when facing an impasse. Without God's guidance, I don't know what to do when life gets heavy, when I am lonely, lost, burdened, discouraged, etc. Having experienced many ups and downs, I realize that the greatest blessing to me is to know God."

Yes, knowing God is a wonderful treasure. As for me, I can only say that I am thankful today for knowing God, and being guided by God's word although many times I am not faithful, not listening to Him or cooperating with His grace. He knows all my limitations and sins, but never abandons me. Once I know Him and experience His loving company in my life, I will never be foolish to leave Him.

I'd like to quote this following message as a way to temporarily conclude this reflection:

"For just as from the heavens the rain and snow come down And do not return there till they have watered the earth, making it fertile and fruitful, Giving seed to him who sows and bread to him who eats,

So shall my word be that goes forth from my mouth;

It shall not return to me void, but shall do my will, achieving the end for which I sent it." (Isaiah 55:10-11)

And, one of my favorite biblical passages is: "*Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest.*" (Mt 11:28)

Joseph Viet, O.Carm.

Come Celebrate Our Transfiguration Parish Community

Fr. Viet, Fr. Emiel and the Parish Council invite you to join us in a parish celebration of the 50th Anniversary of the dedication of our current church building. Our celebration will take place on the weekend of June 24th-25th. On Saturday, after the 5:00 pm Mass, we'll have a BBQ under the tents on the parish lawns. On Sunday, at noon, we will have a Jubilee Mass celebrating the priests and people, past and present, who envisioned, encouraged and supported the Transfiguration Parish Community.

The Church of the Transfiguration has been in Tarrytown since 1896. The original French-Gothic building was completed in 1897, through the faith and perseverance of Fr. Edward Patrick Southwell, O. Carm., Fr. John Wholley struggled to keep the church repaired, but after nearly 70 years, Fr. Carmel Lynn announced that a new church needed to be built. Our present church building was dedicated on June 1, 1967, by Francis Cardinal Spellman.

Please use the sign-up sheets in the vestibule to let us know if you will join in our celebration.

FORMED: If you haven't had a chance to explore FORMED, please do so. There is a wealth of information: To register on formed.org for free the parish access code is **7RHC4Y**.

Some of the information that can be found:

- **FORGIVEN** the healing power of Confession
- **Beloved** the mystery and meaning of Marriage
- **Roman Roads** the mission of FORMED and the New Evangelization

Please have a look!!



Society of St. Vincent de Paul -

Our next Food pantry Weekend will be on June 10th & 11th. We are looking for non-perishable food; canned vegetables, fruit, chicken and tuna fish, tomato sauce, jelly, peanut butter, paper towels and toilet paper.

Our next meeting will be on Thursday, June 15th at 7:30 PM. The delivery of the food to our needy families will be on Saturday, June 17th after the 9:00 Mass. All are welcome!

Iona Prep Basketball Clinic Information

Iona Prep is having two basketball clinics which are designed for students entering grades 3—8. The dates for the 2017 clinics are as follows:

- June 26-29
- July 31– August 3 (Only Grades 6-9)
- August 7-10

If interested contact Coach Vic Quirolo at Iona Prep (914)632-0714 extension 231

vquirololo@ionaprep.org

To access our website or to download a brochure, go to www.ionaprep.org and click athletics.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: It is not too early to make our summer plans. Don't forget to include Vacation Bible School as one of your child's July activities. Our theme this year is **"MIGHTY FORTESS, in Jesus the victory is won."**



Journey with us from July 10th through 14th as we find our King in the castles of our hearts. Children from 3 to 12 years old are invited to be princesses and princes in the kingdom of the Lord. Have fun while learning about Jesus through His Word. Look for registration forms in the weeks to come.

Call Nancy Nelson at (914)631-2380 or e-mail nancynelson2380@gmail.com for more informa-

Due to the Memorial Day weekend there will be **NO** Coffee Hour on Sunday. We will have a coffee hour next week. Our last Coffee Hour for this season will be on Sunday, June 11.

The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, Mary 29th, Memorial Day. There will be a **9:00** morning Mass. Have a blessed and safe holiday!

Transfiguration Seniors Club

Ice Cream Social, Thursday, June 15th at 1:00 pm. Please sign up. Guests will be \$3.00.



THE PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY will meet on Thursday night, June 2, at 7 pm in the Deacon Jerry Blood Conference Room. New members and requests for those in need of our prayers, are always welcome. For further information please contact Alice Blood at 631-5952 OR Pat Nyarady at 631-5007 or visit www.prayershawlministry.com.

Lectio Divina: Each Wednesday evening at 7:00 pm a small group meets to pray and reflect on the upcoming Sunday scripture readings. The meeting lasts about 45 minutes and takes place in the parlor opposite the parish office. All are welcome.

EL SALVADOR UPDATE: The twinning committee will have a guest speaker at its June meeting on Tuesday, June 6 at 7:30 pm in the Parish Hall. The talk and photos will cover a recent fact finding trip to El Salvador regarding the economic and political situation there. All are welcome.

The Horseman Color Me Mud Run - This year the event will be held **Saturday, June 17th** at Kingsland Point Park in Sleepy Hollow starting with registration at 7:30am and closing at 9am on the day of the race.. You can pre-register by using this link horsemancolorrun.myevent.com The race consists of a 5K, 1 mile and 1/2 mile run for all ages!! You can race as an individual or make your own team! What a great way to come together as a community! Delicious food will be served by JP Doyle's! If you have any questions, please contact Bonnie Berry at 914-382-2578 at horsemancollorrun@gmail.com. We look forward to seeing you there!



Just added:

"The Tire Roll"— Don't worry it's not uphill or downhill.

"Roll the Dice" - A great game for the kids and parents to play—the higher the roll, the more chances you have to win Stop & Shop cards. But these are not your normal sized dice...just a wee bit bigger.

INFORMATION SHEET

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