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the Christian Community of . . .*

THE CHURCH OF THE TRANSFIGURATION

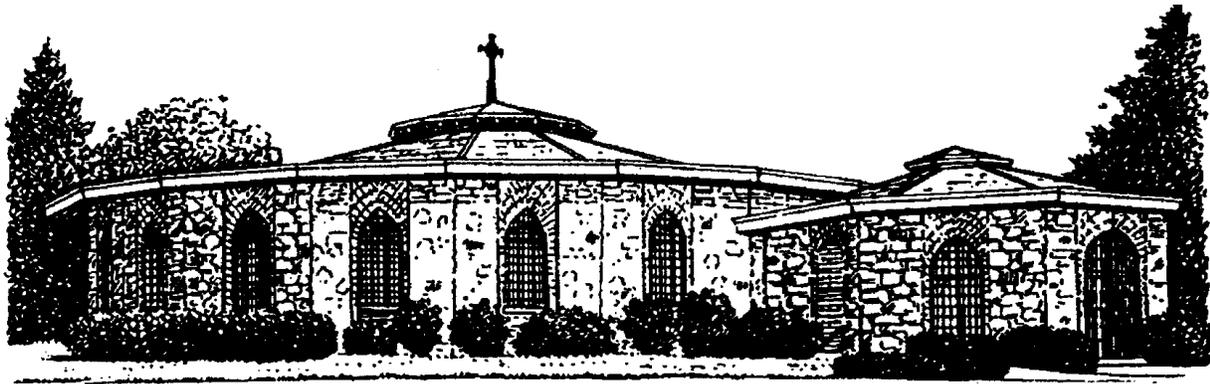
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Transfiguration Parish is a community of Christian believers faithful to our Catholic tradition and a pilgrim people entrusted to the Carmelite Fathers. Through our participation in public worship we are nourished by the Word and the Body of the Lord. 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

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Prospect Avenue
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Prospect Avenue
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SATURDAY, November 4, 2017

5:00 John & Catherine Hufnagle req. by
Joyce Hufnagle

SUNDAY, November 5, 2017

8:00 For the Parishioners of Transfiguration
10:00 Mary Ann Curtin req. by The Transfiguration
Seniors
12:00 Karl Chepiga req. by Patricia Chepiga

SCHEDULE OF MASSES FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY

7:15 The Pope's Intentions for November
9:00 Virgino Vanzo req. by the Vanzo Family

TUESDAY

7:15 Agnes Regan req. by Lois Duggan
9:00 The Doyle & McGuire Families req. by
Joan DeMeo

WEDNESDAY

7:15 Elmer Abalahin req. by Kathy & Fred Gross
9:00 Rose Stanton req. by Kathleen & Richard Cross

THURSDAY

7:15 A Special Intention
9:00 Anita Doyle req. by Joan Carroll

FRIDAY—Veterans Day Holiday

9:00 Elmer Abalahin req. by Lois Duggan

SATURDAY

9:00 Florindo & Anna Maria Volpacchio req. by Maria
& Luciano Volpacchio
5:00 Victoria Hughes req. by Kacey & Dan Minerva

SCHEDULE OF MASSES FOR NEXT SUNDAY

8:00 Victor DiRenzo req. by Gloria Agro
10:00 Kathleen Casey req. by Carolyn Walters
12:00 Maria & Jose Simao req. by Jose Simao

Weekly Offering



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God's Plan for Giving

Sunday, October 29, 2017

\$8,029.00

Attendance—700 Envelopes—197

Church Maintenance

\$2,363.00 Envelopes—140

*Next week's second collection is for
The Carmelite Appeal*

**READINGS, SAINTS AND
SPECIAL OBSERVANCES**

Sunday: Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time;
National Vocation Awareness Week;
Daylight Saving Time ends
Mal 1:14b — 2:2b, 8-10; Ps 131:1-3;
1 Thes 2:7b-9, 13; Mt 23:1-12
Monday: Rom 11:29-36; Ps 69:30-31, 33-34, 36;
Lk 14:12-14
Tuesday: Election Day
Rom 12:5-16b; Ps 131:1bcde-3;
Lk 14:15-24
Wednesday: Rom 13:8-10; Ps 112:1b-2, 4-5, 9;
Lk 14:25-33
Thursday: The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica
Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9;
1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17; Jn 2:13-22
Friday: St. Leo the Great
Rom 15:14-21; Ps 98:1-4; Lk 16:1-8
Saturday: St. Martin of Tours; Veterans Day
Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27; Ps 145:2-5, 10-11;
Lk 16:9-15
Sunday: Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time
Wis 6:12-16; Ps 63:2-8; 1 Thes 4:13-18
[13-14]; Mt 25:1-13

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Do we not have one father? Did not the one God create us? (Malachi 1:14b — 2:2b, 8-10).

Psalm — In you, Lord, I have found my peace (Psalm 131).

Second Reading — You have received not a human word but the word of God (1 Thessalonians 2:7b-9, 13).

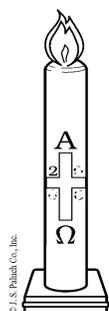
Gospel — Call no one your father on earth; you have but one Father, the one in heaven (Matthew 23:1-12).

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RIGHT AND WRONG

What is morally wrong can never be politically right.

—Anthony Ashley Cooper



The Sanctuary candle burning in the Church this week in the memory of John & Mary Kunert req. by Janet & John Strilowich

The Sanctuary candle burning in the Chapel this week for the intentions of Pope Francis

The Shrine candles are burning this week for all struggling with addiction.

LOVE NEEDED HERE

No one needs love more than someone who doesn't deserve it.

—Anonymous

RESPECT LIFE: October is "Respect Life" month, during which we, the Church, are invited to reflect on the gift that is life in all of its aspects, i.e., from conception to death. For the next few Sundays, the bulletin will feature articles from the US Catholic Conference of Bishops that speak on this theme. Below is the third article:

Catholic Considerations for Our Earthly Passing

We know earthly death is not the end, but rather the door through which we must pass to gain eternal life. Because of our belief and hope in the Resurrection, we can face death not with fear, but with preparation. Although certainly not comprehensive, the following considerations are provided as starting points for understanding and preparing for this transition, whether it is imminent or not.

Now and at the Hour of our Death

We prepare for eternal life by choosing to love and follow God now, in our daily lives and decisions. For example, through prayer and regular reception of the sacraments, especially Confession and the Eucharist, we obtain grace to live in ever-deeper communion with God and with one another in lives of faith, charity, and justice. We ask for Our Blessed Mother's help now, and we entrust ourselves to her further as we "surrender 'the hour of our death' wholly to her care."

Forming Our Consciences

Our journey with Christ naturally includes equipping our consciences to make morally good judgments and acting accordingly. Learning about the dignity of human life and the indispensable respect for it, as well as applicable principles for medical care, is particularly important in preparing for our eventual passing.

Some bishops offer guides applying moral principles to local legal options. Parish and online resources are also widely available for careful and prayerful study, and the *Ethical and Religious Directives* from the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops give direction for health care services to those who are seriously ill or dying.

A Note on General Principles

No summary can substitute for thorough catechesis, but some general principles are clear. We are entrusted by God with the gift of life, and in response, we care for our lives and health in obedience and gratitude to our Creator.

This obliges us to make use of appropriate, effective medical care. However, even effective treatments may at times impose such a great burden that we, in good conscience, may forgo or discontinue them. This applies even to life-sustaining treatments. Of course, nothing should be done or deliberately omitted to hasten death.

The Church affirms the inviolable dignity of every person, regardless of the duration or extent of the person's incapacity or dependency. Nothing diminishes the unchangeable dignity and sanctity of a person's life, or the obligation to protect and care for it. In principle, assisted feeding and hydration should be provided unless it cannot sustain life or is unduly burdensome to the patient, or if death is imminent whether it is provided or not.

Moreover, no one should choose suicide, nor counsel or assist another to take his or her own life.

Discerning Treatment Options

Judging the effect and burden of treatments can be difficult, especially as death draws near. To understand health facts and treatment options, we need professional medical advice. To understand Catholic moral teaching, we need to consult Church teaching and those who can faithfully explain it.

Speaking with Loved Ones

After informing our consciences, we need to inform our families. If we are unable to make decisions, they most often have legal authority to make surrogate decisions on our behalf. Or we may designate a health care agent by a durable power of attorney.

Though it is often helpful to also have written, signed documentation, no living will "checkbox" can ever replace clear conversations about our faith-guided principles. The best option is to choose an agent who will make medical decisions on our behalf in accord with our Catholic faith and Church teaching.

We should also inform family of our pastoral care preferences, and make clear that after death, we desire prayer, funeral rites, and Christian burial.

Accompaniment before and after Death

Those who are sick should not be alone, as multiple popes have reminded us in messages for the annual World Day of the Sick. Patients who have serious or life-threatening illnesses, as well as their families, can be provided with physical, psychological, and spiritual care through team-based palliative care. Hospice care can provide similar integrated care for those nearing death and for their families.

Pastoral care is integral to both palliative and hospice care, and includes making available the Eucharist, Confession, Anointing of the Sick, and Viaticum. It also includes supportive prayer and support for decision makers. It may be helpful to familiarize ourselves with local services available in preparation for our own passing or that of loved ones.

Even after death, accompaniment continues. Our prayers can help those who are being purified in Purgatory, so it is a spiritual work of mercy to pray for those who have died.

Hope in the Resurrection

Those who die in God's grace and friendship live forever with Christ. Heaven is not an abstract idea, but a true and lasting relationship with God that is beyond all earthly description and understanding. We look forward to the resurrection of the dead and everlasting life by preparing now, in hope, for our passage from this life into eternal life.

We need not fear. Christ is with us.

Catechism of the Catholic Church, 2nd ed., 2012 ff.
See Pope Francis, General Audience, 27 November 2013 (Libreria Editrice Vaticana), https://w2.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/audiences/2013/documents/papa-francesco_20131127_udienza-generale.html.

Catechism of the Catholic Church, 2677.
Catechism of the Catholic Church, 1776 ff. *United States Catholic Catechism for Adults* (Washington, D.C.: United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, 2006), pp. 314-315.

Catechism of the Catholic Church, 1701 ff., 2258 ff.
Many state conferences of Catholic bishops have published materials which may help you with decisions about advance directives. To find these and other resources, contact your local diocesan Respect Life office. A directory is available at www.usccb.org/about/pro-life-activities/diocesan-pro-life-offices.cfm.

Ethical and Religious Directives for Catholic Health Care Services, 5th ed, (Washington, D.C.: United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, 2009), <http://www.usccb.org/about/doctrine/ethical-and-religious-directives/>. (See especially Part 5.)

See Pope John Paul II, *Evangelium vitae*, (Libreria Editrice Vaticana, 1995), 15.

A summary is found here: <http://www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/bereavement-and-funerals/overview-of-catholic-funeral-rites.cfm>.

Pope Francis uses the term "accompaniment" often; see its many occurrences in *Evangelii gaudium*.

Pope Francis, "Address of His Holiness Pope Francis to Participants in the Plenary of the Pontifical Academy for Life" (Libreria Editrice Vaticana, 2015), https://w2.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/speeches/2015/march/documents/papa-francesco_20150305_pontificia-accademia-vita.html.

Catechism of the Catholic Church, 1499–1532. See also Pope Benedict XVI, "Message of the Holy Father on the Occasion of the Twentieth World Day of the Sick" (Libreria Editrice Vaticana, 2012), https://w2.vatican.va/content/benedict-xvi/en/messages/sick/documents/hf_ben-xvi_mes_20111120_world-day-of-the-sick-2012.html.

See for example these prayers at the time of dying and death: <http://www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/bereavement-and-funerals/prayers-for-death-and-dying.cfm>.

Pope Francis, General Audience, 30 November 2016, (Libreria Editrice Vaticana), https://w2.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/audiences/2016/documents/papa-francesco_20161130_udienza-generale.html

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

OUR MILITARY:

Nick O'Kelly

OUR SICK:

Justin Baker, Louis Cirillo, Anne Colucci, Catherine Dietz, Frank Haigh, Mary Lester, Norbert & Patricia Godin, Maria Ho Sharon Lynch, Carmen Rodriguez, Frank Wood

OUR DECEASED:

Marguerite McGlynn, Nancy Murray

If you would like to include others in this prayer list, please contact the priory office. Names will remain on the list for two weeks, or according to need.

LOVE AND DEEDS

God doesn't want our deeds; God wants the love that prompts them. —St. Teresa of Ávila

BEREAVEMENT GROUP: A bereavement group will begin on Tuesday, November 7th at 7:30PM and run for 6 weeks ending on December 12th. This group will have as its purpose, to provide a forum for each member to share about those we have lost through death, to learn coping skills and to move towards healing. Grief seems to get lighter when we share it with others who understand.

If you are interested in participating, please call Sr. Betty at 917-754-1912 to register.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:

- We are in need of volunteers. Please consider giving some of your time to this important ministry. We need catechists, and substitutes for Tuesday and Thursday afternoons from 3:30 pm to 5:00 pm. Office help is also appreciated.

TRANSFIGURATION SENIORS:

- November 15, Wednesday: **VOLUNTEERS** needed for set-up at 9:30am—Thanksgiving Lunch
- Nov. 16, Thursday: Thanksgiving Lunch 12:00 pm /Traditional Menu / Parish Hall / \$15.00 per person

Sign up & remit payment by November 12th

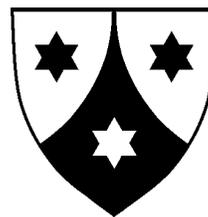
TWINNING UPDATE: The committee would like to remind everyone that the annual Guadalupe Door Collection, the weekend of December 2nd & 3rd is for people who do not contribute using the form, but wish to give something. Receipts from the door collection go to help the parish in Soyapango administer its scholarship program for poor children and pay for a psychologist who runs a monthly program for parents or guardians of scholarship students.

Sunday Missals for 2018: Those who ordered missals can pick them up in the parish office. Additional missals are available at the cost of \$4.00



There will be a Coffee Hour today, following the 10:00 am Mass in the Parish Hall. Our hosts will be Susan Facciola and Sheila McHale. All are invited to come and mingle with their fellow parishioners.
Next week our hosts will be Pia Perosi and Christina Clarke.

ANNUAL CARMELITE APPEAL: Next weekend, November 11-12, will be dedicated to our annual Carmelite Appeal. The Carmelites have served the parish for many decades, and we pray that we hope that we have done our best in this regard. We need your help in continuing our service to you by means of your support for our formation of new Carmelites, care for our elderly friars, our missions in Vietnam and Trinidad, ongoing education, and the general needs of our province of St. Elias. The funds for the second collection will be dedicated for this purpose. Please consider helping us to maintain our ministry to you and the rest of the Church. God bless.



WORLD MISSION SUNDAY: THANK YOU for your generous support on World Mission Sunday. Our parish raised \$2,363.00. While only some are called to go to the Missions to serve, all of us are called by our Baptism, to support the Church's missionary work by our prayers and financial help. To continue answering this call visit MISSIO.org.

YOUNG ADULTS THANKSGIVING PRAYER & SOCIAL: All young adults (21-35 years old) are invited to get together to ready our hearts for Thanksgiving and spend some time having fun, Sunday, November 19th at 6:00 pm. We will meet in the Chapel. Please enter by the Priory door.



The St. Vincent DePaul Society: The collection of non-perishable food for our Thanksgiving delivery will take place on November 10th & 11th. We will be collecting for the needy of our parish as well as St. Jerome and St. Simon Stock, in the Bronx. As in past years there will also be a basket on the altar for monetary donations for turkeys and food. Thank you for your continued support.

INFORMATION SHEET

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