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the Christian Community of . . .*

THE CHURCH OF THE TRANSFIGURATION

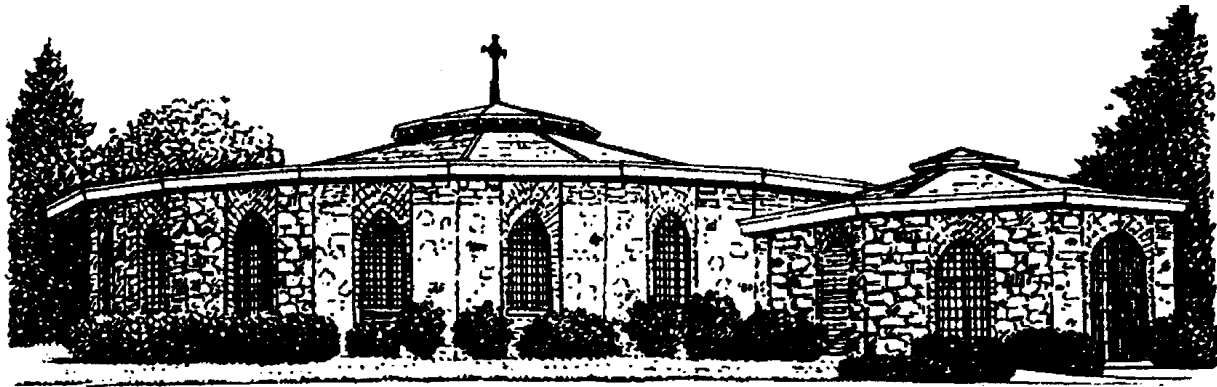
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Transfiguration Parish is a community of Christian believers faithful to our Catholic tradition and a pilgrim people entrusted to the Carmelite Fathers. Through our participation in public worship we are nourished by the Word and the Body of the Lord.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

Monday thru Thursday: 9:00 am to 4:00 pm
Friday: 9:00 am to 1:00 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

July 1, 2018

\$7,378.00

Attendance—602 Envelopes—189

School Maintenance

\$2,126.00 Envelopes—124

Next weeks second collection will be for:
School Maintenance

READINGS, SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Sunday: Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Ez 2:2-5; Ps 123:1-4; 2 Cor 12:7-10;
Mk 6:1-6a
- Monday: St. Augustine Zhao Rong and Companions
Hos 2:16, 17b-18, 21-22; Ps 145:2-9;
Mt 9:18-26
- Tuesday: Hos 8:4-7, 11-13; Ps 115:3-10; Mt 9:32-38
- Wednesday: St. Benedict
Hos 10:1-3, 7-8, 12; Ps 105:2-7; Mt 10:1-7
- Thursday: Hos 11:1-4, 8c-9; Ps 80:2ac, 3b, 15-16;
Mt 10:7-15
- Friday: St. Henry
Hos 14:2-10; Ps 51:3-4, 8-9, 12-14, 17;
Mt 10:16-23
- Saturday: St. Kateri Tekakwitha
Is 6:1-8; Ps 93:1-2, 5; Mt 10:24-33
- Sunday: Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Am 7:12-15; Ps 85:9-14;
Eph 1:3-14 [3-10]; Mk 6:7-13

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — They shall know that a prophet has been among them (Ezekiel 2:2-5).

Psalm — Our eyes are fixed on the Lord, pleading for his mercy (Psalm 123).

Second Reading — I am content with weaknesses and hardships for the sake of Christ (2 Corinthians 12:7-10).

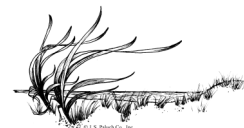
Gospel — The people said: "Where did this man get all this? Is he not the carpenter, the son of Mary?" (Mark 6:1-6).

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Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, July 8, 2018

I will rather boast most gladly of my weaknesses, in order that the power of Christ may dwell with me.

— 2 Corinthians 12:9



SATURDAY—July 7, 2018

5:00 Marguerite MyGlynn req. by the McGlynn family

SUNDAY— July 8, 2018

8:00 Thomas & Hannah Malone req. by the family

10:00 Giovanni DiNunzio req. by Elvira Fantecone

12:00 James A. Bell req. by Kathleen Bell

MONDAY

7:15 Segundo Mendez & Celia Mendez (deceased) & Martha Mendez (living) req. By Martha Mendez

9:00 Joseph & Caterina Vela req. by Mary King & Ann Mattola

TUESDAY

7:15 A Special Intention

9:00 Charles Shibetti req. by Alice Droogan

WEDNESDAY

7:15 The Parishioners of Transfiguration

9:00 Ray Bintrim req. by Eleanor Hunt

THURSDAY

7:15 Barbara Goss req. by Carolyn Walters

9:00 Giovanni DiNunzio req. by Philomena

FRIDAY

7:15 Kathy Lavelle Hamilton req. by Sarah Ball

9:00 Ray Bintrim req. by Dianna Walpuck

SATURDAY

9:00 Giovanni Di Nunzio req. by Maria Volpacchio

5:00 Isabelle & Thomas Varian req. by Maureen & Tom Fleming

SUNDAY

8:00 Stephen Ward req. by Joe, Irene, Katie & Kacey Agro

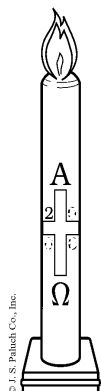
10:00 Joanne Cerussi req. by Ann Walsh

12:00 Frank O'Brien req. by Kathleen O'Brien & children

The Sanctuary candle burning in the Church this week is in memory of Barbara Goss req. by Patricia Kemp

The Sanctuary candle burning in the Chapel this week is in the memory of Bernard Dougherty req. by Eleanor Cornett

The Shrine candles are burning this week is in the memory of Mark Broadway req. by his children



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WHAT MAKES A SAINT?: As I mentioned last week, I am currently taking a course on postulation, which is the process for recognizing the holiness of certain people and promoting their cause toward canonization. At the time I am writing this letter, I have just completed my first day of the course, which was given by Msgr. Robert J. Sarno, a priest of the Brooklyn Diocese who works for the Congregation for the Causes of Saints. Below are some of the interesting facts that I have learned so far.

Who is called to be a saint?

Everyone is called to be a saint! In the letters of St. Paul, in fact, he refers to all the baptized members of the Church as ‘saints.’ At the same time, among our members, there are some whom we look to as models of holiness and faith, and these the Church recognizes as particular saints. Logically, then, only those baptized into the Catholic faith, or those who died with a desire to be a member of the Catholic faith can be proposed for beatification and sainthood.

What are the paths to beatification in the Church?

The Church recognizes three paths: 1) **martyrdom**, in which the servant of God voluntarily undergoes a violent death for the love of Christ caused by their murderer’s hatred for the faith or Christian virtues, and behaving with the meekness and forgiveness, following the example of Jesus Christ; 2) **heroic virtue**, where the servant of God lives their Christian life in imitation of the gospel in a habitual way, realizing the theological virtues (faith, hope, charity), cardinal virtues (prudence, justice, fortitude, temperance), and “adjunct” virtues (poverty, obedience, chastity, humility) for at least the last 5 to 10 years of their life; and 3) **the offer of life**, which was introduced by Pope Francis in 2017, wherein the servant of God freely and willingly offers their life to die as an act of charity for another in imitation of Jesus Christ, for example, Dr. Gianna Beretta Molla, who died in order that her baby could be born and live. In all cases, the person must have also strived to live a faithful Christian life that indicates a conversion of the person’s life to live according to the imitation of Christ.

What are the criteria for choosing certain people for sainthood?

In choosing causes for universal sainthood, the Church desires two things: *imitability* and *intercession*. With regard to **imitability**, the Church looks to the saints as people who are exemplars of the faith, to whom people can look as models for living the Christian faith in their own context. So while many causes for sainthood are opened, the Congregation for the Causes of Saints advances those causes where the person enjoys a reputation for holiness who inspires others to deeper relationship with Christ. Furthermore, these servants of God should be **sources of intercession**, to whom people turn as companions in prayer as we pray to God. They do not answer our prayers; rather, they pray with us and on our behalf to God, who is the one who responds to us.

What about incorruptible bodies?

In the popular mind, a body that is exhumed and incorrupt indicates that the person is holy. The incorruptibility of a body, however, is not a criterion for consideration to sainthood,

because in fact, there are only two incorruptible bodies: those of Jesus and Mary. When a body is exhumed and found to be incorrupt (but not incorruptible), the preservation of the body is due to the nature of the preparation of the body (embalming); the way in which the body is sealed from the elements; or even the elements of the coffin itself (resin), which help to protect the body from the elements. Indeed, once the body has been exposed to air, the process of decomposition begins. As Msgr. Sarno pointed out, many of the bodies of the saints that are on display in Rome have been replaced with wax in which are contained the bones of the saint, because the body has already decomposed.

Thus, sainthood is not defined by the preservation of a dead body, but by the way in which the holy person lived and testified to Christ.

Learn more:

The USCCB gives a nice and succinct description of the process and terminology of the process toward canonization on its website. Please see the following link for further information:
<http://www.usccb.org/about/public-affairs/backgrounders/saints-backgrounder.cfm>

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

OUR MILITARY: Anthony Correia

OUR SICK: Justin Baker, Ralph, Bartolacci, Robert Currie, Vincent Donnelly, William Duggan, Ann Duggan Baker, Troy Edwards, Sharon Lynch, Marie Minuck, Michael Mohoney, Diane O'Connell, Carmen Rodriguez, Richard Sicardo, Jr. , Cromwell Smith, Evelyn Santiago, Carri Porter Snoddy, Carina Yacovone-Neves

For our parishioners suffering from depression and those who are dealing with addictions

OUR DECEASED: Gloria Astudillo
Cathy Dennis (Bucci), Terry Fisk,
Joseph Gruden, June McNulty

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.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: One of the most undervalued sacraments is that of anointing of the sick. This sacrament has its origins in the letter of James, wherein the apostle advises the sick to see the priest. We offer this sacrament for all those who will undergo serious health tests, or become seriously ill, or have a serious change in their health status. Please see the priests at any time after Mass or during office hours in order to receive this sacrament.

Vacation Bible School is almost here at Transfiguration!

We have some schedule changes for our VBS:

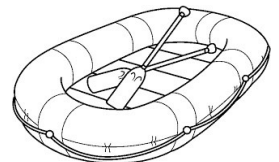
New Dates:

- **July 9th through July 13th**
- **July 16th through July 20th**

We have added an extra week. Children ages 3 thru 12 are invited to join the fun. The fee is \$60.00 per child (scholarships are available). Call Nancy Nelson at 914-631-2380 or email nancynelson2380@gmail.com .

- We are in need of adult and teen volunteers.
- Confirmation 2019 students can fulfill their 15 hour community service requirement in a fun way before schoolwork and sports take precedence in September.

Come join us for one week or two! A fun time is promised for all.



Transfiguration School

The 2018-2019 Registration for Transfiguration School is ongoing. We offer an academically sound and faith-filled Catholic education for students in PK3 – 8th Grade. Developing each child's potential infusing Catholic values and providing a solid foundation of academics adhering to New York Common Core standards are our objective. Our PreK3 & PreK4 programs are full day. Tuition is more affordable than ever, with expanded scholarships and financial assistance. To find out more about a Catholic education can help put your child on the path to a bright future, please visit us online at www.CatholicSchoolsNY.org, or to arrange a tour, please call the school at 914-631-3737.

Volunteer Opportunity in Tarrytown

Come visit the retired sisters of the Sacred Heart of Mary at Marymount Convent in Tarrytown. Volunteers choose to visit once per week, or twice per month, visiting with a sister one on one or with the group of sisters assisting with an activity. Join us for a cup of tea, a word game, sing along, walk around the gardens or outing. If interested, please contact Susannah Bourbeau- Alao 914-703-6412, sbourbeau@rshmeap.org

Society of St. Vincent de Paul:

Each month, the Saint Vincent DePaul Society delivers groceries to 47 families in need, right here in our own community. Please consider making a monetary donation using one of the envelopes that can be found in the church vestibule, or donating one or more of the following:

Paper Towels	Canned Fruit
Toilet Paper	Canned Tuna
Pasta	Canned Chicken
Pasta Sauce	Canned Beans
Small jars of Jelly	Canned Soup
Small jars of Peanut Butter	

Our next collection will be the weekend of July 21st and 22nd. Thank you for your continued support of this very important parish ministry

Transfiguration Seniors Club

The Seniors Club will not meet during the summer. See you in September, Thursday 9/20. See our bulletin board for Fall Social dates and activi-



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Sunday Missals for 2018/2019: Order your Sunday Missal for next year now. The deadline for ordering is **July 15th**. Order forms are in the foyer of the church. Cost is \$3.50. Missals are helpful for the homebound and prayerful preparation for Sunday Mass,

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel No-

vena: Prayer cards for the novena are available in the church foyer. There a celebration of Evening Prayer to Our Lady of Mt. Carmel on Monday evening, July 16th at 7:30 in the chapel. All are welcome.



Our Lady of Mount Carmel

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Last week's Treasure mentioned the "Nuns of the Battlefield," religious sisters from several communities who served as nurses in the Civil War. Florence Nightingale had only instituted female nurses a decade before in the Crimean War, so the idea of women tending to wounded soldiers was extraordinary. The medical and sanitary conditions on the battlefields were appalling, and the sisters were nearly all teachers. Few had any medical training beyond what they had learned as youngsters in the family. Anti-Catholic prejudice was so deeply entrenched in America that sisters could not wear their habits in public. These sisters were the first, and people on both the Union and Confederate sides soon began to marvel at their bravery, efficiency, and respect for Protestant soldiers. More than six hundred sisters from twenty-one communities went to war, serving in wretched conditions. They were tough and single-minded, efficient and fearless.

After the war, sisters could appear in public everywhere in the reunited nation, and often received the praise and gratitude of grateful soldiers and family members on behalf of their sister nurses. An outdoor monument to the "Nuns of the Battlefield" stands in Washington at M Street and Rhode Island Avenue. The inscription reads: "They comforted the dying, nursed the wounded, carried hope to the imprisoned, gave in His name a drink of water to the thirsty."

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