

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

# THE CHURCH OF THE TRANSFIGURATION

Tarrytown, New York 10591

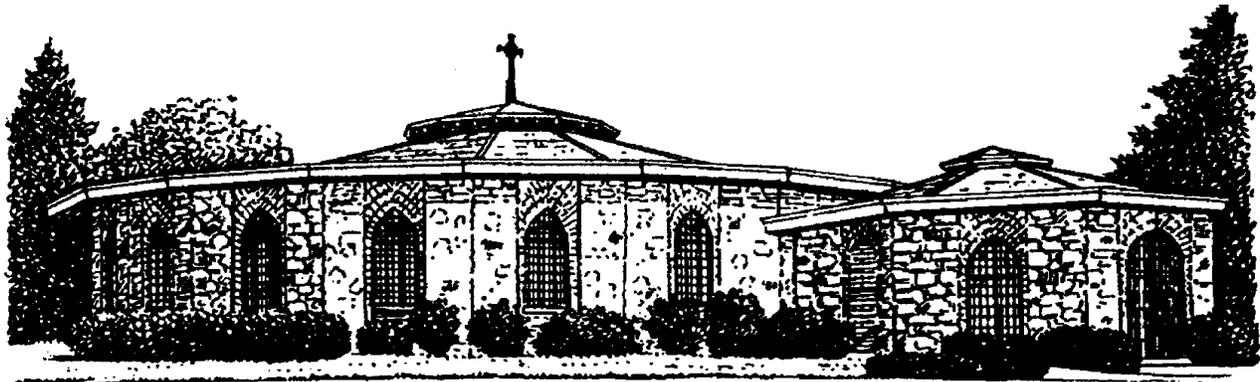


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*Transfiguration Parish is a community of Christian believers faithful to our Catholic tradition and a pilgrim people entrusted to the Carmelite Fathers. Through our participation in public worship we are nourished by the Word and the Body of the Lord.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

Monday thru Thursday: 9:00 am to 7:30 pm  
Friday: 9:00 am to 1:00 pm  
Saturday: 9:30 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 any-time for an appointment.  
Dr. Frank Pastore 631-0045

**Priory**  
268 So. Broadway  
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631-3737

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# Weekly Offering



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## SATURDAY—SEPTEMBER 15, 2018

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

## SUNDAY— SEPTEMBER 16, 2018

8:00 Maureen Coster req. by Rosemary & Kevin Plunkett  
10:00 Carmelo Alba req. by Terri & Joe Carbone & family  
12:00 Loraine Coccozza req. by Mr. & Mrs. Charles Macellaro

## MONDAY

7:15 Virginio Vanzo req. by Chris Vanzo  
9:00 Robert K. Sorrentino req. by Peggy & Kevin O’Sullivan

## TUESDAY

7:15 Tony Benitez req. by Patty Garcia & family  
9:00 Joseph Miele req. by Ann Miele

## WEDNESDAY:

7:15 The Parishioners of Transfiguration  
9:00 Frank & Ann Cherico req. by Carolyn Walters

## THURSDAY

7:15 Samuel Cramer Whitt req. by Carolyn Walters  
9:00 Robert K. Sorrentino req. by the Lanzetta family

## FRIDAY

7:15 A Special Intention  
9:00 Robert K. Sorrentino req. by Patricia & James Kennedy

## SATURDAY

9:00 Anne Colucci req. by Cathie & Gail  
5:00 Marguerite McGlynn req. by Tom & Barbara Coughlin

## SUNDAY

8:00 Joseph Palis req. by Jody Toth  
10:00 Emilio Mastrobalo req. by Elvira Fantecone  
12:00 Lily & Martin Knapp req. by Patricia Chepiga

## God’s Plan for Giving

September 9, 2018

\$9,055.00

Attendance— 596 Envelopes—236

Next week second collection: Church Maintenance

## READINGS, SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Is 50:5-9a; Ps 116:1-6, 8-9; Jas 2:14-18; Mk 8:27-35  
Monday: St. Robert Bellarmine;  
Yom Kippur (Jewish day of atonement) begins at sunset  
1 Cor 11:17-26, 33; Ps 40:7-10, 17; Lk 7:1-10  
Tuesday: 1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31a; Ps 100:1-5; Lk 7:11-17  
Wednesday: St. Januarius  
1 Cor 12:31 — 13:13; Ps 33:2-5, 12, 22; Lk 7:31-35  
Thursday: Ss. Andrew Kim Taegŏn and Paul Chŏng Ha-sang and Companions  
1 Cor 15:1-11; Ps 118:1b-2, 16ab-17, 28; Lk 7:36-50  
Friday: St. Matthew  
Eph 4:1-7, 11-13; Ps 19:2-5; Mt 9:9-13  
Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary  
1 Cor 15:35-37, 42-49; Ps 56:10c-14; Lk 8:4-15

## TODAY’S READINGS

**First Reading** — The Lord GOD is my help; who will prove me wrong? (Isaiah 50:5-9a).

**Psalms** — I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the living (Psalm 116).

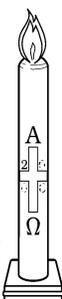
**Second Reading** — Faith, if it does not have works, is dead (James 2:14-18).

**Gospel** — Jesus asked his disciples, “Who do you say that I am?” (Mark 8:27-35).

The English translation of the Psalm Responses from Lectionary for Mass © 1969, 1981, 1997, International Commission on English in the Liturgy Corporation. All rights reserved.

## Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time, September 16, 2018

The Lord GOD is my help,  
therefore I am not disgraced.  
— Isaiah 50:7



The Sanctuary candle burning in the Church this week for Rod Burns & family (living) req. by Dolores Burns

The Sanctuary candle burning in the Chapel this week is in the memory of George Ellinghaus req. by Ann Marie Ellinghaus

The Shrine candles are burning this week is in the memory of Dave O’Shea req. by Rita & Lisa

**“BECOMING BREAD”:**

Continuing from my letter of last week, we return to the theme of what makes the sacraments holy. As we said previously, the holiness of the sacraments do not depend on the holiness of the individual minister; rather, they are holy because Jesus Christ effects them. This week, we look at another part of what makes the sacraments holy: they make us holy by challenging us to be like Jesus Christ.

In every sacrament we receive Jesus Christ, and God further includes us in the life of grace. The life of grace from our human perspective is participation in the life and love of the Trinity. Therefore, each time we receive the sacraments, God includes us in his action of welcoming and inviting, of forgiving, of nourishing, of serving, of loving and creating, of accompanying those in need, of making holy in the Holy Spirit. At the same time, we also receive all of these actions from Him as well.

Making us holy sounds so simple, but we know that in practice, our holiness demands from us to be the best of ourselves, to be the most human and humane we can be, to be the most Christian we can be. It means allowing God to penetrate the ordinariness of our everyday lives, and imbue every moment with the Divine, so that even the most seemingly mundane things become full of meaning because of the presence of God.

The following is a reflection by an Italian priest on bread that reminds him of the Eucharistic bread that we share at Mass, and its intended impact on our daily lives. His words offer us an example of how God can be part of our daily lives. Please enjoy. God bless.

**Becoming Bread**

It can be good,  
but it is certainly not easy  
to become bread.  
It means that you  
can no longer live for yourself,  
but instead, for others.

It means that you must be  
Completely available to others.

It means that you must have patience  
and meekness, like bread,  
that is left to rise,  
to be baked and to be broken and shared.

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It means that you must be humble,  
like bread,  
that does not appear  
on the list of specials on the menu,  
but is always on the table to accompany them.



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It means that you must cultivate  
tenderness and bounty,  
because this is how bread is:  
tender and good.

Fr. Emiel

**PLEASE PRAY FOR:**

**OUR MILITARY:** Anthony Correia

**OUR SICK:** Justin Baker, Ralph Bartolacci,  
Audrey Capra, Vincent Donnelly,  
William Duggan, Ann Duggan Baker,  
Troy Edwards, Peggy Lahoz, Sharon Lynch,  
Marie Minuck, Michael Mohoney,  
Diane O'Connell, Edward F. Parzyk,  
Nadia Puccio, Carmen Rodriguez,  
Nancy Sorge, Evelyn Santiago, Richard Sicardo, Jr.  
Cromwell Smith, Frank Spardaro,  
Carri Porter Snoddy, Catherine Thomas,  
Carina Yacovone-Neves, Brian

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

**OUR DECEASED:**

*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.*

**FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP:**

The Archdiocese of New York takes the stewardship  
of your donations and its resources seriously. If you  
have knowledge of financial misconduct or suspect  
that it might be occurring, please report your con-  
cerns via a toll free hotline, at 877-820-0541, or on  
the internet, at [http://www.reportlineweb.com/  
ADNY](http://www.reportlineweb.com/ADNY). Both are available 24 hours per day.”

**WEDNESDAY AND FRIDAY  
MORNINGS—CONTEMPLATION...  
AND BOOK STUDY:**

Sr. Catherine Bennet runs a group on *Contemplative  
prayer*. The schedule is as follows:

- Wednesdays: 10:15-11:00am - Marymount Con-  
vent
- Fridays: 7:45-8:05am – Transfiguration Chapel,  
after Mass

**Book Study:**

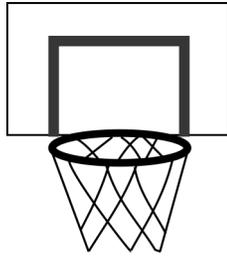
- Thursdays beginning September 13, 9:30-  
10:30am at Transfiguration Church.
- We will read *A Spirituality of the Two Halves of  
Life A Spirituality of the Two Halves of Life* by  
Fr. Richard Rohr, OFM.

**Dance for Puerto Rico  
Fundraiser for the Victims of Hurricane Maria**

Friday, September 28 at 7:00 pm  
ICC Gymnasium—16 North Broadway  
Teens \$25.00 / Adults \$75.00 /Seniors \$50.00  
Musical performances by local teens, Puerto Rican  
food and desserts, latin music, raffle and a viist by  
the members of Seda On2!. Tickets can be pur-  
chased online at [iccirvington.churchgiving.com/  
DANCE4PR](http://iccirvington.churchgiving.com/) and at the rectory.

**Sponsored by ICC & Teens4PR**

**Transfiguration CYO Baseball** will be holding registration on **Wednesday, October 3rd** at 7:00 pm in the Transfiguration School Gym for grades three through eight.



The cost is \$110.00, plus the cost of a uniform for new players. If you have any questions please feel free to contact Rob Sullivan at [Robsullivan@optonline.net](mailto:Robsullivan@optonline.net) or 646-529-0413

### TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

In this country, we don't name our churches "The Fourth Avenue Catholic Church," but rather seek a patron saint or mystery of faith. We inherit this tradition from an old Roman custom via medieval England. Interestingly, that has not been the practice elsewhere, and parishes abroad often do carry just the name of the neighborhood. In Ireland, the Roman (English) practices didn't take hold, and so churches are known simply by the street they are on, or by a nickname. Saint Francis of Assisi in Dublin is often called "Adam and Eve" after a pub in the same street. The pub sign is an interesting carving of our first parents, so they become patrons by default.

Increasingly in the United States, we are seeing a familiar European pattern emerge when a few churches, each bearing the name of a patron saint or mystery, are gathered into one parish that bears a different name. Thus, we might hear of a parish of "Midvalley City" comprised of Saint Mary, Saint Francis, and Saint Ursula churches. Once a church has been consecrated, its name may not normally be changed. Therefore, when parishes are merged, a new name is given to the parish, which may or may not be that of a heavenly patron, but the church buildings retain their names. In the process, we have lost sight of some worthy patrons of old, but have also seen new parishes open dedicated to twentieth-century saints like Edith Stein, Katharine Drexel, and Mother Teresa.

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**FLU SEASON:** With people getting sick at this time of year, the Mass can prove a bit challenging. The archdiocese offers the following recommendations for staying healthy.

- If you are afraid of becoming ill, you do not have to shake hands at the kiss of peace. You may offer a different gesture or a verbal greeting.
- If you are ill, **do not** receive from the chalice.
- Please use an alcohol based antibacterial hand sanitizer to keep the germs at bay.
- If you have a **gluten allergy**, please let the priest or minister of Holy Communion know **before Mass**, so that we can have a gluten free host consecrated and available for you.

### LISTENING AND RESPONDING

There are three interwoven themes in today's readings: listening to God, faith vs. good works, and losing our life in order to find it. How are they related?

The Suffering Servant of Isaiah undergoes much distress and ridicule, but is able to bear it because he has listened to the promptings of God day after day. The psalm tells us that God listens, too. God hears our prayers for help and is always ready to save us. As our faith deepens, so does our desire to do the works of justice and charity that build up the reign of God. God directs our actions in ways we often cannot see, and we don't always see the results. We are called upon in faith to trust that what we do is enough, and that willingness to listen to God's promptings will lead us in the right way.  
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**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.

INFORMATION SHEET

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