

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

THE CHURCH OF THE TRANSFIGURATION

Tarrytown, New York 10591

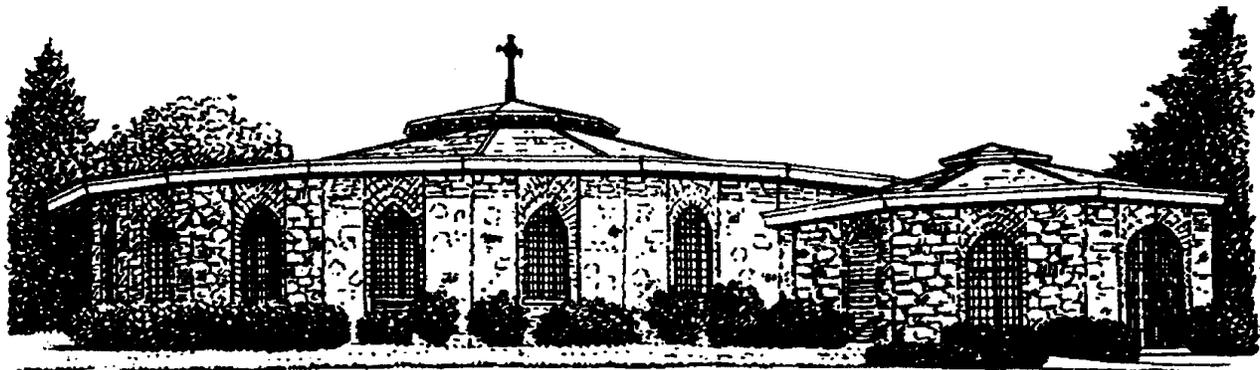


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Transfiguration Parish is a community of Christian believers faithful to our Catholic tradition and a pilgrim people entrusted to the Carmelite Fathers. Through our participation in public worship we are nourished by the Word and the Body of the Lord. 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 am 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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SATURDAY—JANUARY 26, 2019

5:00 John Kunert req. by Teresa Broadway

SUNDAY—JANUARY 27, 2019

8:00 Katherine & Everett Weaver req. by Maureen Vanginderen

10:00 Robert Sorrentino req. by Rosemary & Kevin Plunkett

12:00 Robert Sorrentino req. by Nadine Sbezzi

MONDAY

7:15 Ita Tierney req. by Eillen Kennedy

9:00 Anne Scherer req. by Susan & William Marmo

TUESDAY

7:15 The Parishioners of Transfiguration

9:00 Frank Casalina req. by Gabrielle & Emma Smith

WEDNESDAY

7:15 Carl Knowski req. by Bernard Manning

9:00 Bridget Cushen Connelly req. by the Cushen family

THURSDAY

7:15 Edgar Abalahin req. by Fr Emiel

9:00 Anna Biroš req. by Eleanor Hunt

FRIDAY

7:15 A Special Intention

9:00 Dulce R. Cortez reg. by Mary Lou Murray

SATURDAY

9:00 Richard Cross req. by Peter Downey

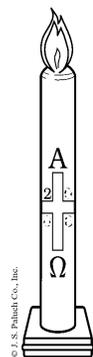
5:00 Patricia & Joseph Lydon req. by Maureen & Tom Fleming

SUNDAY

8:00 The Doyal & McGuire family req. by Joan DeMeo

10:00 James Carlin req. by Rosemary & Kevin Plunkett

12:00 Maureen Sutherland req. by Hellen Lennon



The Sanctuary candle burning in the Church this week is in memory of Robert Saldis req. by the Malone family

The Sanctuary candle burning in the Chapel this week is in memory of Elizabeth Salajeck req. by Dolres Burns

The Shrine candles are burning this week for all the pilgrims at World Youth Day.

LOVE IN OUR WORKS

Our Lord does not care so much for the importance of our works as for the love with which they are done.

—Teresa of Avila

God's Plan for Giving

January 20, 2019

\$6,185.00

Attendance—545 Envelopes—189

School Maintenance

\$1,5054.00 Envelopes 133

Next weeks second collection is for:
School Maintenance

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Sunday: *Third Sunday in Ordinary Time; Catholic Schools Week*
Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10; Ps 19:8-10, 15; 1 Cor 12:12-30 [12-14, 27]; Lk 1:1-4; 4:14 - 21
- Monday: *St. Thomas Aquinas*
Heb 9:15, 24-28; Ps 98:1-6; Mk 3:22-30
- Tuesday: Heb 10:1-10; Ps 40:2, 4ab, 7-8a, 10, 11; Mk 3:31-35
- Wednesday: Heb 10:11-18; Ps 110:1-4; Mk 4:1-20
- Thursday: *St. John Bosco*
Heb 10:19-25; Ps 24:1-6; Mk 4:21-25
- Friday: *First Friday*
Heb 10:32-39; Ps 37:3-6, 23-24, 39-40; Mk 4:26-34
- Saturday: *The Presentation of the Lord; Blessing of Candles; First Saturday; World Day for Consecrated Life; Groundhog Day*
Mal 3:1-4; Ps 24:7-10; Heb 2:14-18; Lk 2:22-40 [22-32]
- Sunday: *Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time*
Jer 1:4-5, 17-19; Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17; 1 Cor 12:31 — 13:13 [13:4-13]; Lk 4:21-30

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Rejoicing in the LORD must be your strength (Nehemiah 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10).

Psalm — Your words, Lord, are Spirit and life (Psalm 19).

Second Reading — In one Spirit we were all baptized into one body (1 Corinthians 12:12-30 [12-14, 27]).

Gospel — The Spirit of the Lord has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives (Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21).

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Third Sunday in Ordinary Time, January 27, 2019

*The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,
because he has anointed me
to bring glad tidings to the poor.*
— Luke 4:18a



SOME OF US AREN'T AUTOMATIC SAINTS:

I used to be jealous of those saints who seemed to have an unwavering faith from their childhood. My first fascination with the saints came from a four-volume set of little picture books about the various saints. Admittedly, the pictures were the real reason I enjoyed them, because the images sparked my little boy imagination: St. Ignatius of Antioch being gnawed at by fierce and starving lions, St. Sebastian with hands tied behind his back and pierced through with arrows, St. Catherine of Alexandria tied to a wheel of spikes being rolled down the Egyptian streets, St. Joan of Arc tied to a stake and engulfed by flames. Still, the words of the story books filled me with excitement at the prospect of being a great martyr like them. Their lives inspired me to imitate them in the little sacrifices that I decided to make to God as well: making my bed every morning, praying the rosary every night with my family, reading a bit more of the bible during Lent, even leaving my pillow at the foot of my bed on Christmas Eve as a sacrifice to the Christ child. I was going to be like them: a perfect saint from the beginning.

Now that I am on the verge of 50, I know myself a bit better than when I was a youth, and I find a deeper connection with the imperfect saints, the ones who led wild lives before their conversion, the ones who wavered, who discovered God later in life, who joyously struggled with their faith throughout their lives. I also find kinship in the humble saints who just wanted to dedicate their lives and their struggles to God because of His mercy. Teresa of Avila discovered her personal vocation at 50, 30 years after living her vows as a mediocre Carmelite. Dorothy Day took the passion that energized her dissolute younger years and converted it into a great passion for the poor and for authenticity in the Church. Léonie Martin, the sister of St. Thérèse of Lisieux, was the ugly duckling of the family who was abused by the maid for several years, and partly because of this, had great difficulty remaining in religious life until she lived the “little way” taught by her sister saint. St. Benedict Joseph Labre lived as a humble beggar because he recognized his inadequacy before God, and his saintliness was discovered only after his death. St. Elijah went through a massive spiritual crisis in his relationship with God that even led him to want to die.

I love these saints because, like them, I was not blessed to enjoy the straight path of Christ. My personal path is full of meandering paths, thousands of detours, tons of sins, bruised spiritual skin from falling down and getting back up again. I walked away from the Church in my youth, was a rigid young religious, and continue to struggle with my personal sinfulness, flaws, and limitations. I am well aware that I am imperfect.

These saints whom I love were also imperfect. Indeed, they were happy that people knew their flaws, mistakes, and imperfections, because then it would be clear that any good coming from them had its origins in God, and not in themselves. The fact that they were able to do any good at all was a sign to them of God’s loving care for them.

St. Paul understood this well. In his second letter to the Corinthians, he tells the story of how he begged God to take away the “thorn in his side.” Paul says, “Three times I begged the Lord about this, that it might leave me, but he said to me, ‘My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness.’ I will rather boast most gladly of my weaknesses, in order that

the power of Christ may dwell with me. Therefore, I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and constraints, for the sake of Christ; for when I am weak, then I am strong.”

Perhaps some of you may also be like me, like us: imperfect, weak, prone to error and sin, but with a great love for and hope in Christ, trying to work on yourself for love of him. Know that you are not alone. Christ came for people like you and me, for the imperfect holy ones as much as for the perfect saints. Our path of conversion may not be straight and pristine, but it is still the way of Christ. Let us walk together with him, wherever he goes.

RECEIVE THE LATEST PARISH NEWS:

In helping to maintain good communication in the parish, we are using *Flocknote*, which allows the parish to communicate with our parishioners through text messages. Please text **TF10591** to **84576** to sign up for news and information.

FAMILY MASS

We invite all our families to participate in the Family Mass. They will take place on Saturday at the 5:00 PM Mass.

2019

- February 2nd and 16th
- March 2nd, 16th and 39th
- April 13th and 27th
- May 11th and 25th
- June 8th

Please join us!

CATHOLIC UNDERGROUND:

All invited to attend the NEW Catholic Underground Central! Catholic Underground Central is a direct response to the call of John Paul II for a New Evangelization. The evening is comprised of two parts: worship and a performance from a Catholic artist.

Catholic Underground is hosted at Our Lady of Fatima Parish (5 Strathmore Rd. Scarsdale, NY 10583) every 2nd Saturday of the month from 7:30 to 10:00 PM.

For any questions please contact:
chase.crouse@archny.org.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

OUR MILITARY: Anthony Correia

OUR SICK:

Justin Baker, William Duggan,
Ann Duggan Baker, Alexander Isadoro
Sophie Janos, James Keely,
Peggy Lahoz, Marie Minuck,
Peg Mahoney, Michael Mahoney,
Tatum Avery Nedwick, Edward F. Parzyk,
Carmen Rodriguez, Collin Rodriguez
Aurelio Semeraro,

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

OUR DECEASED:

John Knowels, Evelyn Santiago, Mary Walter

*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.*

When reading our bulletin please be sure to check out the back page consisting of various advertisements. The printing of our bulletin is funded by the ads you see there. If anyone wishes to advertise there also, please call the phone number in the bottom right corner.

FAMILY LIFE MINISTRY

Family Life Ministry will host a *Couples Night* on Saturday, February 16th at 6:00 PM, with guest speaker, *Dr. Frank Pastore*. He will be discussing the topic of *Communication*.

A buffet dinner will be served, and childcare will be provided. Please RSVP to Transfiguration-Parents.com and include the names and ages of any children that will require child care.

Donations will be accepted at the door to assist with the cost of the food.

St. Vincent de Paul Society Food Collection February 9th and 10th

Our food collection will take place next weekend. Please consider bring a food donation to help support people in own community.

The items we need are noted below:

Pasta	Peanut butter
Pasta Sauce	Jelly
Canned Tuna	Mac & Cheese
Canned Soup	Toilet Paper
Canned Veggies	Paper Towels
Canned Fruit	

THANK YOU!!

TIME

The holidays are well behind us; the year stretches out ahead. And what sort of year will it be? To judge by the words of Jesus in today's Gospel, it will be "a year acceptable to the Lord." And Jesus surely didn't mean only the next three hundred sixty-five days facing his listeners at that time.

When Jesus announced the "arrival" of God's favor, it was a message for all time, for every year. Similarly, we read today in Nehemiah how the people gathered with solemnity to hear God's word as though for the first time. They listened, and then fell to the ground and wept. But the prophet said, "Today is holy . . . do not be sad, and do not weep."

The "year acceptable to the Lord" is this year. The day that is "holy" is this day. The time to listen is now. What sort of year will you have? What sort of day? God's help is always here. What you do with each day can be holy and acceptable to the Lord if you but listen to and act on God's word.
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BAKE SALE

The Transfiguration Seniors will be holding a bake sale after the 5:00 PM Mass, Saturday February 2nd and after the 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM and 12:00 PM on Sunday February 3rd. Pick up a sweet treat for you Supper Bowl viewing.

TRANSFIGURATION SENIORS:

February 21, Thursday: St Valentine's Party
1:00 PM



TRANSFIGURATION PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

Will meet on Wednesday, February 6, at 6 p in the Deacon Jerry Blood Conference Room. Prayer Shawls give comfort, warmth, love and peace to those in need or in thanksgiving. Do you know anyone who would benefit from our prayers and outreach? If so, please leave a message at the Priory Office, contact Alice Blood 631-5951 or Pat Nyarady 631-5007, or join us at our meeting. Please find details of the ministry at www.shawlministry.com

There will be **NO Coffee Hour** next week. Transfiguration Regional School is having their Catholic Schools Week Breakfast.

BROKEN BRIDGES

When we cannot forgive, we break the bridge over which we must pass if we would ever reach heaven; for everyone has need to be forgiven.

—George Herbert

INFORMATION SHEET

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