

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

THE CHURCH OF THE TRANSFIGURATION

Tarrytown, New York 10591

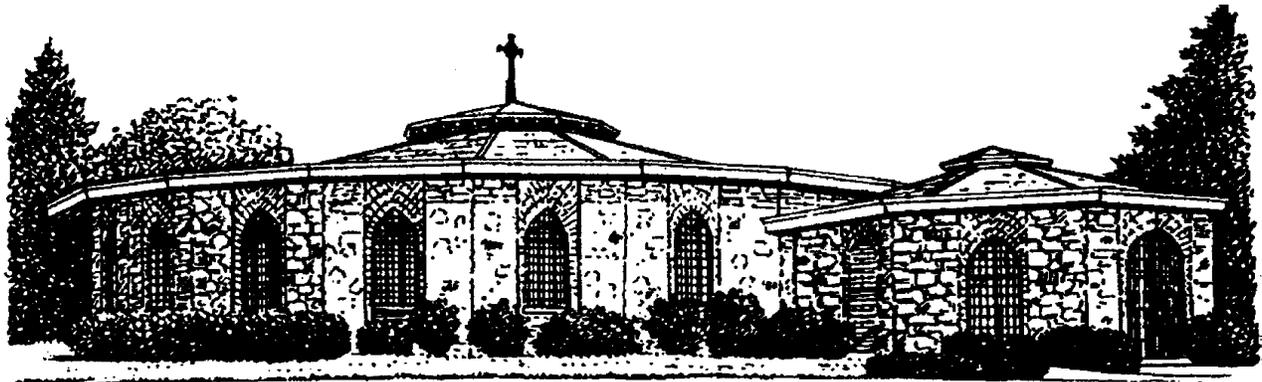


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Transfiguration Parish is a community of Christian believers faithful to our Catholic tradition and a pilgrim people entrusted to the Carmelite Fathers. Through our participation in public worship we are nourished by the Word and the Body of the Lord.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



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God's Plan for Giving

August 19, 2018

\$6,712.00

Attendance—617 Envelopes—187

Carmelite Missions

\$2,427.00

Next week second collection: Cross International

READINGS, SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Sunday: Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time
Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b; Ps 34:2-3, 16-21;
Eph 5:21-32 [2a, 25-32]; Jn 6:60-69
- Monday: St. Monica
2 Thes 1:1-5, 11-12; Ps 96:1-5;
Mt 23:13-22
- Tuesday: St. Augustine
2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17; Ps 96:10-13;
Mt 23:23-26
- Wednesday: The Passion of St. John the Baptist
2 Thes 3:6-10, 16-18; Ps 128:1-2, 4-5;
Mk 6:17-29
- Thursday: 1 Cor 1:1-9; Ps 145:2-7; Mt 24:42-51
- Friday: 1 Cor 1:17-25; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 10-11;
Mt 25:1-13
- Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary; First Saturday;
World Day of Prayer for the Care of
Creation
1 Cor 1:26-31; Ps 33:12-13, 18-21;
Mt 25:14-30
- Sunday: Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
Dt 4:1-2, 6-8; Ps 15:2-5; Jas 1:17-18,
21b-22, 27; Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The LORD, our God, protected us along our entire journey (Joshua 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b).

Psalm — Taste and see the goodness of the Lord (Psalm 34).

Second Reading — Christ nourishes and cherishes the church because we are members of his body (Ephesians 5:21-32 [5:2a, 25-32]).

Gospel — We have come to believe and are convinced that you are the Holy One of God (John 6:60-69).

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Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time, August 26, 2018

As for me and my household,
we will serve the LORD.
— *Joshua 24:15b*



SATURDAY—AUGUST 18, 2018
55:00 Marguerite McGlynn req. by Dennis & Sheila Sullivan

SUNDAY—AUGUST 19, 2018
8:00 Angela Constantino req. by Stephen Holodak & Bruna Sida
10:00 Nick Ranieri req. by the Ranieri family
12:00 Rena & John Parlapiano req. by Mr. & Mrs. Charles Macellaro

MONDAY
7:15 Josephine Peiris req. by Chithra Rodrigo
9:00 Bob Sorrentino req. by Mark Prescott

TUESDAY
7:15 Jeffrey John Akasala req. by Jim Akasala
9:00 Jim Carlin req. the Latessa family

WEDNESDAY:
7:15 The Parishioners of Transfiguration
9:00 Mary Merritt req. by Peter Downey

THURSDAY
7:15 A Special Intention
9:00 Everett Weaver req. by Maureen Vanginderen

FRIDAY
7:15 A Special Intention
9:00 Robert Sorrentino req. by Melissa Raptoulis

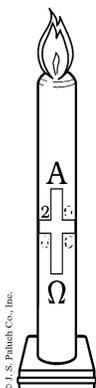
SATURDAY
9:00 Joseph D'Eufemia req. by Ron Palmer
5:00 Richard Kilsheimer req. by Mr. & Mrs. Christopher Moyer

SUNDAY
8:00 Mary Kay Smith req. by Bridget Murphy
10:00 Timothy & Hannah Hoare req. by Kathleen O'Brien
12:00 Ann Palmer req. by Ron Palmer

The Sanctuary candle burning in the Church this week is in the memory of Richard Riker req. by the Ranieri family

The Sanctuary candle burning in the Chapel this week is for the healing of Mary Ellen Doherty req. by Helen Lennon

The Shrine candles are burning this week is in the memory of Bernadette Franco req. by Maureen Vanginderen



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TAKING A BREATHER: In these last couple of weeks, we have had to deal with some serious issues, and it appears that there is more to come. As important as these issues are, we are not designed to sustain the constant barrage of information that is accompanied by shock, anger, disappointment, and fear. Because of this, we ought to learn also how to deal with this stress or any prolonged period of stress, for that matter. So what do we do?

1) **Separate yourself from the cause of stress.** Turn off the TV. Put away your cellphone or your tablet for a few minutes or a few hours, and do not react if it rings or vibrates. Politely change the topic or excuse yourself from the conversation. Jesus took time every day to separate himself from his work that, while good, also required a lot of energy. He got on a boat, or walked away. He stepped back from his stresses.

2) **Take a deep breath or two and be aware of your present surroundings.** Slowing our breathing helps to calm ourselves, while being aware of where we are takes us out of our head and returns us to reality.

3) **Do something simple that you enjoy.** The activity should be simple, morally inoffensive, and fun, whether it is reading or drawing, going for a walk, playing a sport or music, cooking, etc. It should lead your focus to something else other than the thoughts in your head.

4) **Do something kind for someone other than your family and friends.** Put love where there is no love. This is the call of all Christians. We convert the world by bringing Christ's love to situations of anger and frustration, of loneliness and isolation, of abandonment. Being kind to strangers makes this love go beyond the confines of our comfort and helps us to add a little more good to the world, especially as disciples of Christ.

5) **Pray.** In the end, God is in charge of everything, and so we are invited to place ourselves and our problems in His hands, trusting that He desires our good in all things. Sometimes, however, even this is too difficult, and so God invites us to simply be at peace in His presence. Sitting in church and focusing on the Blessed Sacrament in silence can be very helpful, providing a focus for our attention.

Remember that it is perfectly fine, and indeed, sometimes necessary, to walk away from our stresses. Jesus did it, so we can too.



POPE FRANCIS' LETTER TO THE FAITHFUL: The Pope has given a personal response to all of the abuse scandals currently facing the Church. He offers us an earnest recognition of the sins of the perpetrators and the hierarchy, of the pain that we experience as members of the Church, and provides us some guidance through the Bible and the teachings of the Church. You may find this letter at the following link:

http://w2.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/letters/2018/documents/papa-francesco_20180820_lettera-popolo-didio.html

Photocopies of the letter have also been provided at the entrance to the church for all those who find it easier to read this way.

Sadly, this problem is not limited to the Catholic Church, and so I also share with you the work of Billy Graham's grandson, Basyle "Boz" Tchividjian, to illustrate that all people of faith are struggling with this tragic reality. The point of the article is not that they are worse of than we are or vice versa; rather, that there are many victims, and we must learn to have compassion and fight for justice for *all* of them. In addition, we are not alone in facing this evil, and because of this, we might be able to come to a more comprehensive solution of we work together. Here is the link to the article:

http://www.vice.com/en_us/article/xwwd3w/billy-grahams-grandson-says-protestants-abuse-kids-just-like-catholics

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 5:00pm MASS – BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS: All students and educators are invited to bring their school materials to Mass. Both students and educators, and their materials, will be blessed during this Mass. Light refreshments in the parking lot will follow. Please come and begin the new school year with a great blessing.

WEDNESDAY AND FRIDAY MORNINGS – CONTEMPLATION...AND BOOK STUDY: Sr. Catherine Bennet runs a group on Contemplative prayer that will begin again on **September 5**. The schedule is as follows:

Wednesdays: 10:15-11:00am - Marymount Convent

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* by Fr. Richard Rohr, OFM.

FRIENDLY AND HELPFUL PEOPLE FOR THE OFFICE, PLEASE: The summer is coming to an end, and the parish office will soon return to its regular hours. We are looking for people 21 years and older to cover the desk during the afternoon hours, from 4:00pm to 7:30pm. Weekend hours are also available. You should have a friendly disposition and be able to do simple office tasks. If you are interested, please see Fr. Emiel or Elizabeth Rooney in the office.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

OUR MILITARY: Anthony Correia

OUR SICK: Justin Baker, Ralph Bartolacci, Richard Cross, 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, Frank Spardaro, Carri Porter Snoddy, Carina Yacovone-Neves

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

HOUSEHOLDS IN GOD’S SERVICE

In the ancient world, “household” was a wide-reaching concept. When Joshua today speaks of his household serving the Lord, he meant not just those people who lived inside his walls or those related to him by blood or marriage; he meant slaves or servants and their families, and anyone indebted to him in any way. Even his livestock and other possessions would be consecrated to service of God. In our world, we value allowing individuals their freedom to choose how they live, and wouldn’t think of offering our pets to the service of God. But, as we discern our vocation as disciples baptized into Christ, we can come to realize how far-ranging the “households” of our lives still are: how we act toward our spouses, children, room-mates or anyone we live with; our behavior with neighbors; or in public as we encounter many “strangers” every day in stores or traffic who suddenly are “next door” to us. How can we use our time, our resources, or gifts for selfless reasons rather than personal gain? No matter what life our witness to the Good News calls us to, we all have a “household” that must be consecrated to service of the Lord our God.

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OCCUPANCY

The value of life does not depend upon the place we occupy. It depends upon the way we occupy that place. —St. Thérèse of Lisieux

HELP WANTED:

We are looking for people to cover the desk and the phone in the evenings (4:00 pm to 7:00 pm) and weekends.

Please contact us at (914) 631-1672 or Transfigurationsec@gmail.com

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:

- **2018-2019 REGISTRATION:** Registration is open for all those wishing to enroll their children for the coming year. Registration forms can be found in the vestibule of the church. For further information, please contact Mrs. Mariana Dalsass at transfigurationprep@gmail.com or 914-631-2380
- Our Religious Education Program is currently seeking a few assistants to help us lead our young parishioners to fully embrace and live out the teachings of the Gospels. If you are energetic and passionate about living your life with Christ then you must answer the call to join us and lend us a hand. Training will be provided free of charge, stop by our office, speak to Fr. Emiel or Mariana after any of our Sunday Masses. Remember that God doesn't call the qualified, He qualifies the called.

THE ARCHDIOCESE OF NEW YORK:

The Archdiocese of New York is committed to doing all that it can to protect children and young people. Anyone who needs to report an alleged incident of sexual abuse of a minor by a priest, deacon, religious or lay person serving in the Archdiocese of New York is asked to contact Sr. Eileen Clifford, O.P. at 212-371-1000 x2949 or Deacon George J. Coppola at 917-861-1762. Both may also be reached via e-mail at victimassistance@archny.org Information can also be found on the Archdiocesan website www.archny.org. In keeping with the Archdiocesan policy regarding sexual abuse of minors, this information is provided to ensure that our children remain safe and secure.

TRUST

I may trust Jesus too little, but I can never trust him too much.
—Anonymous

INFORMATION SHEET

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