

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

# THE CHURCH OF THE TRANSFIGURATION

Tarrytown, New York 10591

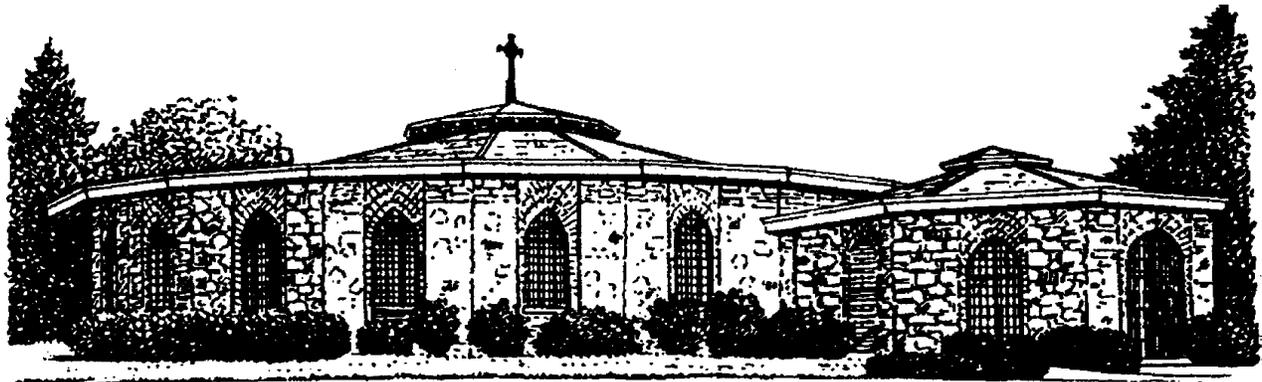


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*Transfiguration Parish is a community of Christian believers faithful to our Catholic tradition and a pilgrim people entrusted to the Carmelite Fathers. Through our participation in public worship we are nourished by the Word and the Body of the Lord. 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 any-time for an appointment.  
Dr. Frank Pastore 631-0045

**Priory**  
268 So. Broadway  
631-1672

**Transfiguration School**  
Prospect Avenue  
631-3737

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631-2380



# Weekly Offering



## God's Plan for Giving

October 14, 2018

\$7,031.00

Attendance—710 Envelopes—231

### School Maintenance

\$1,739.00 Envelopes 187

Next week second collection:

Church Maintenance

## READINGS, SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Sunday: *Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time; World Mission Sunday*  
Is 53:10-11; Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22; Heb 4:14-16; Mk 10:35-45 [42-45]
- Monday: *St. John Paul II*  
Eph 2:1-10; Ps 100:1b-5; Lk 12:13-21
- Tuesday: *St. John of Capistrano*  
Eph 2:12-22; Ps 85:9ab-14; Lk 12:35-38
- Wednesday: *St. Anthony Mary Claret*  
Eph 3:2-12; Is 12:2-3, 4bcd-6; Lk 12:39-48
- Thursday: *Eph 3:14-21; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 11-12, 18-19; Lk 12:49-53*
- Friday: *Eph 4:1-6; Ps 24:1-4ab, 5-6; Lk 12:54-59*
- Saturday: *Blessed Virgin Mary*  
Eph 4:7-16; Ps 122:1-5; Lk 13:1-9
- Sunday: *Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time; Priesthood Sunday; National World Youth Day (U.S.)*  
Jer 31:7-9; Ps 126:1-6; Heb 5:1-6; Mk 10:46-52

## TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — My servant shall justify many, and their guilt he shall bear (Isaiah 53:10-11).

**Psalm** — Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you (Psalm 33).

**Second Reading** — Let us confidently approach the throne of grace to receive mercy and to find grace for timely help (Hebrews 4:14-16).

**Gospel** — Whoever wishes to be first among you will be the slave of all (Mark 10:35-45 [42-45]).

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## Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time, October 21, 2018

Through his suffering, my servant shall justify many.

— *Isaiah 53:11b*



## SATURDAY—OCTOBER 13, 2018

5:00 Mary Kunert req. by Mackenzie Broadway

## SUNDAY—OCTOBER 14, 2018

8:00 Nicholas Nedwick req. by the Nedwick family

10:00 The Volpaccio family req. by Elvira Fantecone

12:00 Joseph Patrick Foley req. by Mary Scandura

## MONDAY

7:15 Gernara Marzano req. by Carolyn Walters

9:00 Julio, Novella & Dominick Grandetti req. by Mary Pujia

## TUESDAY

7:15 Elizabeth Nolan req. by the Rooney family

9:00 Hector Perez req. by Maureen Vanginderen

## WEDNESDAY:

7:15 Michael Hunt req. by Eleanor Hunt

9:00 Anne C. Kolarich req. By Linda Lucia

## THURSDAY

7:15 The Parishioners of Transfiguration

9:00 Mary Reif req. by Helen Lennon

## FRIDAY

7:15 Marie Pedlow req. by Susan Vacca

9:00 Robert K. Sorrentino req. by Mr. & Mrs. Stephen Holodak

## SATURDAY

9:00 Michael Hunt req. by Eleanor Hunt

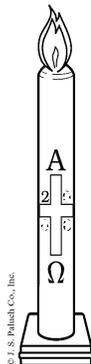
5:00 John & Mary Kunert req. by Mary Ann Kunert

## SUNDAY

8:00 The Armistead family req. by Mark Prescott

10:00 Ricky & Carmen Sbezzi req. by their children

12:00 Kitty Giessler req. by Robert & Margaret Lockwood



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

The Sanctuary candle burning in the Chapel this week is in memory of Alice Dunne req. by the Latessa family

The Shrine candles are burning this week is for our parishioner battling addiction.

**LEARNING CHESS, OR, THE END NEVER JUSTIFIES THE MEANS:** “The bishop can only move diagonally; the knight only in L directions. The pawn can only move forward one or two spaces at a time, unless it is capturing an opponent’s piece.”

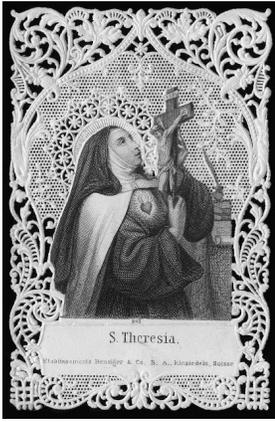
One of my fondest childhood memories was staring at a chessboard with my brothers as my father reviewed the rules of the game. I never really took to the game, but I enjoyed the time we spent together bonding as a family. In the process, I *did* manage to retain some knowledge of the rules.

When I began to play chess, I thought that the pawn was a useless piece that opponents managed to remove quickly from the board. However, the more I played, the more I learned to use these seemingly useless pieces to manipulate the other opponent into moving their pieces where I wanted them. While using these pawns in this manner in a chess game is a valid and useful way of playing the game, using human beings for our advantage is a sin.

In recent times, we have seen women take more prominent roles in society. For example, we have more women than ever playing a part in the political life in our country. They are taking on more leadership roles in business, in science, in sports, and other areas. Women theologians are being recognized and respected, slowly but surely, in our Church. The role of stay-at-home mom is now understood as proper work, and not simply a duty taken for granted.

Despite all of this, we have also seen women being used as pawns in these same fields. Women are still being chosen for certain positions because of their beauty, rather than their capabilities, whereas men filling these same positions are chosen for their acumen. They are chosen for their attraction and appeal, and as a sign of their manipulation, they are paid far less than their male peers. Women have also taken on roles in traditionally male dominated fields to make it appear to the public that the men are more open and progressive, when in reality, these women are pawns in a publicity game, in some cases, to absolve men of their wrongful actions.

Our own Church has struggled with the role of women and continues to do so. On October 15, we celebrated the feast of St. Teresa of Avila. This great Spanish mystic faced great struggles, first and foremost, in recognizing her own value as a Christian woman. At the time, profound educated spirituality was exclusive to men, with women being encouraged to spend time in devotional prayer, rather than reading and learning from great spiritual masters. Women were considered too silly and capricious to handle such pursuits. Any woman desiring to delve into the interior life was being seduced by the devil, and needed to be brought under control. Second, as the foundress of a religious reform during Spain’s Golden Age, and someone who formed relationships with the upper crust and with religious leaders, she was in a position to be manipulated and used, more often than not, to discourage other women from pursuing their own personal spiritual life. Indeed, despite the support of several important male theologians, one Dominican Inquisitor concluded that her experiences were demonic, having never read or properly investigated his position, based solely on the fact that she was a woman.



Teresa was able to overcome this through her prayerful relationship with God, her study, and her consultation with learned theologians, all of which he revealed to her the truth of his love for her, and as a result, the truth of herself as one called to intense and transformative relationship with Him, and as a teacher of this relationship, which we call the contemplative life. In the contemplative life, wherein she learned to see with the eyes of God and desire what He wills, she came to understand the value of the spiritual life for ALL, both women and men, and became the teacher for both. Furthermore, this spiritual life integrates all aspects of the human person, including their intellectual and affective capacities. We can both think and feel as we pray, because when we pray, we relate to someone, i.e., God, especially in the person of Jesus Christ. These relationships helped her to discover that she did not have to be a pawn in a political or societal game. Instead, she was a partner in a relationship of loving truth.

Teresa's life and teachings remind us of a fundamental teaching of the Church: the end NEVER justifies the means. People are not meant to be manipulated or used, including ourselves. Authentic relationships are not utilitarian, wherein people only have value according to their usefulness. We are not meant to pawns for other people's advantage. Rather, we are all partners, interdependent, all striving together to reach the common goal: eternal life with God.

**POPE FRANCIS' INTENTION FOR OCTOBER:** "Religious, with their prayer, poverty, and patience, are essential to the Church's mission. More than ever, with the challenges of today's world, we need their complete dedication to proclaiming the Gospel. Let us not allow ourselves to be robbed of missionary enthusiasm and let us pray that consecrated religious men and women may bestir themselves, and be present among the poor, the marginalized, and those who have no voice."

To see the original video, please go to the following link:  
[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gCSDirVIF\\_o](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gCSDirVIF_o)

**TODAY IS WORLD MISSION SUNDAY:**

We celebrate this day by remembering the revitalizing mission at the heart of our Christian faith—to being the Gospel to all! The collection today for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith ensures the work and service of the Mission Church, as it supports priests, religious and lay leaders who offer the Lord's mercy and concrete help to the most vulnerable communities in the Pope's missions.



On *Sunday, November 4th* at the 10:00 AM Mass, there will be a special remembrance for the souls of all our parishioners of our parish who have been buried from our church since November 5, 2017. Candles will be lit in the sanctuary in their memory, and prayers will be said for those family members buried

## HIGH SCHOOL OPEN HOUSES:

October 21th 12:00 to 3:00 PM

October 24th 6:00 to 8:00 PM

- Iona Preparatory School  
914-632-0714 / [www.ionaprep.org](http://www.ionaprep.org)

October 27th 12:00 to 4:00 PM

- Maria Regina High School, Hartsdale  
Register on line: [www.mariaregina.org](http://www.mariaregina.org)

October 27th 12:30 to 3:30 PM

- The Ursuline School, New Rochelle  
914-636-3950 / [ursulinenewrochelle.org](http://ursulinenewrochelle.org)

October 28th 2:00 to 4:00 PM

- Archbishop Stepinac High School  
[www.steinac.org](http://www.steinac.org)

October 28th 1:00 to 4:00 Pm

- Fordham Preparatory School  
**Registration in advance is required.**  
[www.fordhamprep.org/admissions](http://www.fordhamprep.org/admissions)

## **TEN PRACTICAL WAYS TO BUILD ACCOUNTABILITY IN YOUR KIDS:**

### **Free Lecture:**

Get the Strategies and Tips You Need to Foster a Culture of Responsibility in Your Home

Presenter: Cristina Young, LCSW

Date: Thursday, November 15<sup>th</sup>

Time: 8:30am- 10am

Place: The RDC Center for Counseling & Human Development, 52 N. Broadway, White Plains, NY

Register: Call Pat Sheridan, LCSW, 914-798-1103  
or [psheridan@divinecompassion.org](mailto:psheridan@divinecompassion.org)



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**COFFEE HOUR:** Please join us after the 10:00 am Mass for coffee and doughnuts. Our hosts today, are Chris Soddano and Georgine Morabito. Come and mingle with your fellow parishioners.

*Next weeks hosts will be Eileen Wiseman and Laura Plunkett.*

### **ERROR-FREE**

A mistake doesn't become an error until I refuse to correct it.—Anonymous

### **THE GREATEST TEST**

The greatest test of courage on earth is to bear defeat without losing heart.—Robert Ingersoll

## **PLEASE PRAY FOR:**

**OUR MILITARY:** Anthony Correia

**OUR SICK:** Justin Baker, Audrey Capra, Vincent Donnelly, William Duggan, Ann Duggan Baker, Kristen Kayla Duberry, Phillip Famelio, Michael Hartman, Peggy Lahoz, James Kennedy,, Debby Martins, Marie Minuck,, Michael Mohoney, Diane O'Connell, Edward F. Parzyk, Carmen Rodriguez, Evelyn Santiago, Aurelio Semeraro, Cromwell Smith, Frank Spardaro, Joan Wald, Carina Yacovone-Neves,

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

**OUR DECEASED:** Elizabeth Arbusto, Richard Cross,, Agnes Galligan, Dorothy Bushel, Hector Perez Mark Trabocchino

*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.*

## **TOO MUCH INFORMATION!**

There is a common expression: "Too much information!" We usually use it when people tell us details about their lives that we don't want or need to know. Today, when James and John ask Jesus a simple question, making their request for places of honor in the kingdom, a simple answer might have been in order. Instead, as he often does, Jesus answers a question with a question; today it's about drinking the cup of suffering. Then, once the others are indignant over James and John's outrageous request, he proceeds to give them what may have been "too much information" for followers who were simply interested in the pursuit of glory. But this information, though it can sometimes seem "too much" for us, is essential for our lives as disciples. In Isaiah, in Hebrews, and in Mark today, we learn this information. It is in suffering, in weakness, in self-giving service to others, that we come to understand the kingdom. It is the information we need to find our place and come to be honored in the reign of God.

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