

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

# THE CHURCH OF THE TRANSFIGURATION

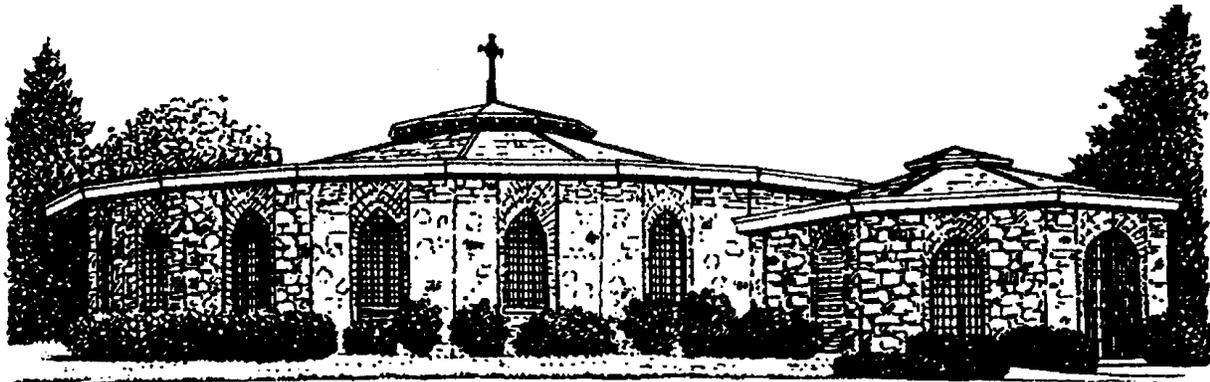
Tarrytown, New York 10591



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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 only  
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 HOURS

Monday to Thursday: 9:00 am to 7:00 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 any-time for an appointment.  
Dr. Frank Pastore 631-0045

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

**Transfiguration School**  
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SATURDAY, September 16, 2017

5:00 The Babcock Family req. by Kitty Geissler

SUNDAY, September 17, 2017

8:00 The Bushrod Burns Family req. by Dolores Burns

10:00 The Volpaccio Family req. by Elvira Fantecone

12:00 The Parishioners of Transfiguration

SCHEDULE OF MASSES FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY

7:15 Joseph McKeon req. by Andrea & Jim Lattanzio

9:00 Rosina Scoca req. by Eleanor Fastiggi

TUESDAY

7:15 Josephine Peiris req. by Chithra Rodrigo

9:00 Joseph Miele req. Jean & Joe Talbot

WEDNESDAY

7:15 Debbie Lopez req. by Ann Lupe

9:00 Roger Ardanowski req. by Nancy Nelson

THURSDAY

7:15 Bushrod Burns req. Dolores Burns

9:00 Richard Saponara & Billy Martin req. by Joyce Saponara

FRIDAY

7:15 Elmer Abalahin req. by The Moribito Family

9:00 Lisa Tucker req. by Kathleen O'Brien & Family

SATURDAY

9:00 Joseph Delio Sr. & Joseph Delio Jr. req. by Bob & Eleanor Sorrentino

5:00 John Cleary req. by Joyce Hufnagle

SCHEDULE OF MASSES FOR NEXT SUNDAY

8:00 Lindsay Doaherty req. by Mr. & Mrs. DelMonaco

10:00 Maria Lusia Bruno req. by The Morello Family

12:00 Carmen Sbezzi req. by Jean & Joe Balthazard

God's Plan for Giving

Sunday, September 10, 2017

\$8,094.00

Attendance— 650 Envelopes—202

Catholic Home Mission & The Church in Latin America

\$1,977.00 Envelopes-123

**READINGS, SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES**

Sunday: Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time; Sir 27:30 — 28:9; Ps 103:1-4, 9-12; Rom 14:7-9; Mt 18:21-35

Monday: 1 Tm 2:1-8; Ps 28:2, 7-9; Lk 7:1-10

Tuesday: St. Januarius  
1 Tm 3:1-13; Ps 101:1b-3ab, 5-6; Lk 7:11-17

Wednesday: Ss. Andrew Kim Tae-gŏn, Paul Chŏng Ha-sang, and Companions; Rosh Hashanah (Jewish New Year 5778) begins at sunset  
1 Tm 3:14-16; Ps 111:1-6; Lk 7:31-35

Thursday: St. Matthew  
Eph 4:1-7, 11-13; Ps 19:2-5; Mt 9:9-13

Friday: Autumn begins  
1 Tm 6:2c-12; Ps 49:6-10, 17-20; Lk 8:1-3

Saturday: St. Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio)  
1 Tm 6:13-16; Ps 100:1b-5; Lk 8:4-15

Sunday: Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time; Is 55:6-9; Ps 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18; Phil 1:20c-24, 27a; Mt 20:1-16a

**TODAY'S READINGS**

**First Reading** — Remember the commandments and hate not your neighbor (Sirach 27:30 — 28:9).

**Psalm** — The Lord is kind and merciful, slow to anger, and rich in compassion (Psalm 103).

**Second Reading** — Whether we live, or whether we die, we do so for the Lord (Romans 14:7-9).

**Gospel** — Forgive one another from your heart (Matthew 18:21-35).

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**AUTUMN**

Besides the autumn poets sing,

A few prosaic days

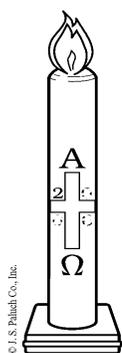
A little this side of the snow

And that side of the haze.—Emily Dickinson

The Sanctuary candle burning in the Church this week in the memory of Mary Ann Curtin req. by Anita O'Connor and Family

The Sanctuary candle burning in the Chapel this week in the memory of Elmer Abalahin req. by Jean & Joe Balthazard

The Shrine candles are burning this week for victims of Hurricanes Harvey & Irma & the earthquake in Mexico.



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I bet you are reading this during the homily! Do not worry. You are probably not alone. Many Catholics choose homily time to catch up on their bulletin reading. No, browsing the bulletin while Father preaches is not a sin, but it might prove beneficial to your growth in holiness to give the preacher a closer listen.

The homily is an odd sort of composition. Part essay, part speech, part reflection, and part lecture, so figuring out how to listen to one can be daunting. The distinctive nature of the homily demands a set of listening tools unique to both its occasion and purpose. We know that the occasion of a homily is a public liturgy of the Church (Mass, baptism, funeral, wedding, etc.). We know that its purpose is to unpack the Word of God in a way that shines His wisdom on our lives in this world and the world to come. Knowing what a homily is helps us to know how to listen to one.

Homilies are preached during the public liturgies of the Church. This means that we are called upon to listen to the preacher preach in the context of the Church's public prayer. If we are in the season of Advent, we are praying in expectation of the coming Messiah. If we are in Lent, we are praying for the strength to endure temptation with Christ at our side. During Easter, we pray in the hope of the resurrection and look forward to the heavenly feast.

The lectionary readings are chosen to reflect the liturgical season and the homily will reflect both the liturgical season and the readings. Homilies at baptisms, weddings, and funerals have their own themes and readings. Baptisms welcome the death of sin and membership in the Body of Christ. Weddings bond a man and woman in the life-long sacramental witness of Christ's love for his Church. Funerals commend the souls of our loved ones to God and urge us to pray for their entrance into heaven.

While listening to the homily, listen especially for references to the theme of the season or the liturgy. Do you hear mentioned – waiting, repenting, rising up, going out, adoption as a child of God, perfection in Christ? All of these and similar phrases point to the underlying themes of our prayer during a given season or liturgical occasion. Also, take to heart our response to close the Gospel reading, “Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!” The exclamation of praise opens our hearts and minds to receive the message of the homily as a piece of wisdom for our growth in holiness.

The purpose of the homily also offers us a set of tools with which to listen better. Since the homily is usually rooted in the lectionary readings for the liturgy to be celebrated, we can better listen to the preacher if we prepare the readings by carefully following their proclamation from the ambo. Hear each word when spoken. Listen to each phrase. Note the images (sheep, seeds, water, sand, etc.). Pay attention to who's speaking and who's listening. Listen to the ordering of events in the Gospel reading. Jesus loves parables – did you catch what the actors in his parable are doing and saying?

After you have praised the Lord for his Good News, send up a quick prayer for the grace of attentive listening. Then listen for the preacher to mention the words, phrase, images, and events you noted during the proclamation. How does he arrange these to shed Christ's light on your life? How does Christ's message strengthen you? Encourage you? Convict you? What does the preacher exhort you to do or not to do in the pursuit of holiness and charitable service? Be open to what the preacher has to say. Take what you need to follow Christ, and save the bulletin reading for the drive home!

Fr. Philip Neri Powell, OP, PhD  
 Director of Homiletics, Notre Dame Seminary

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:

- Sunday, September 17th is Catechetical Sunday. **We will have a brief parents meeting in the church following the 10:00 Mass.** I hope to see all of you at this special liturgy.
- Calendars will be given out after the meeting.
- Our Confirmation class began on Tuesday, September 12th. All other classes will begin the week of September 18th.
- Religious Education is still in need of volunteers. Please consider helping as a Catechist assistant, office assistant or substitute catechist. Teaching our youngsters about Jesus is a community effort. Call Nancy Nelson, 914-631-2380 if you have any interest in helping out.

Dear Friends in the Lord,

Permit me to take a moment to draw your attention to the upcoming Columbus Day Mass at Saint Patrick's Cathedral, sponsored by our Italian Apostolate.

Please join us for the 40th Annual Columbus Day Mass and Parade, Monday, October 9th at 9:30 am. To reserve free tickets, please : email [columbusday@archny.org](mailto:columbusday@archny.org) or call 646-794-2000.

Faithfully in Christ,  
Timothy Michael Cardinal Dolan  
Archbishop of New York

## TRANSFIGURATION SENIORS

- Meeting Thursday, September 21st at 1:00 pm.
- Call Anita and sign up **now** for the Columbus Day lunch, October 12 at 12:00 pm.  
Members: \$10.00, Guests \$15.00

## PLEASE PRAY FOR:

### OUR MILITARY AND FIRST RESPONDER PARISHIONERS:

#### OUR SICK:

Fr. Dany Abi-Akar, Anne Colucci,  
Frank Haigh, Maria Hao, Sharon Lynch,  
Carmen Rodriguez, Robert Sorrentino

**OUR DECEASED:** Elmer Abalahin,  
Diana Imschweiler, Timothy O'Connell,  
Nick Ranieri, Everett Weaver

*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.*



### *Save A Life—Give Blood*

Transfiguration Church will be holding a Blood Drive on Sunday, September 24th from 8:30 am to 2:30 pm in the Parish Hall. To sign up, you can call 800-688-0900 or we will have a sign-up table on the weekends of Sept. 10th & 17th.

Blood is only available because of generous, community minded people. On behalf of the hospitals that are counting on us, Thank You!

## Discernment Weekend for Young Adults October 20-22

How is God calling you? The Franciscan Friars and Sisters of the Atonement are offering a Discernment Weekend October 20-22 to help you discover the answer. This weekend is for single, Catholic young adult men and women, 18-40, considering God's call to servanthood, whether that is as priest, sister, brother, married or single. Learn discernment tools, hear how religiously vowed and lay persons came to hear God's call, and engage in rich prayer and discussion with other young adults. For more information or to register, visit [www.atonementfriars.org/discern](http://www.atonementfriars.org/discern) or contact Paul Krenzelo: 845-424-2122 , [pkrenzelo@atonementfriars.org](mailto:pkrenzelo@atonementfriars.org).

## NATIONAL SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL

70 Carmelite Drive  
Middletown, NY  
Saturday, October 14, 2017

### TERESA & THERESE

Join award-winning Artist and Author Br. Mickey McGrath as he shares his paintings (and stories behind them) of these two great DOCTORS OF THE CHURCH. From Avilia to Lisieux to New York, we will make a pilgrimage of the heart and explore the relevance of these two great women and their lessons in living for our troubled world today. \$30.00 pre-paid Lunch included. Please reserve by October 2nd. Contact: Carol Bezak  
CBEZAK@CARMELITES.COM  
845-343-1879

### *The Society of St. Vincent de Paul*

This weekend we will be collecting for our food pantry. We need canned soups, vegetables, fruits, tuna and chicken, tomato sauce, pasta, cereal, peanut butter, and jelly. Also paper towels and toilet paper. We will distribute the food on Saturday, September 21st after the 9:00 Mass. The next meeting will be Thursday, September 21st at 7:30 in the Deacon Jerry Blood Conference room

### YOU CAN BE A VOLUNTEER TUTOR AND HELP A NEIGHBOR LEARN ENGLISH

Many new residents of our Villages are unable to speak English. Eager to learn, they come to the Library and ask for help from Literacy Volunteers of the Tarrytowns. . All you have to do is take our English for Speakers of Other Languages Tutor Training Workshop. You don't need prior teaching experience. Upon completion of the workshop, you will be able to tutor an adult on a one to one basis. A commitment of two hours a week for a year is all that we ask. You will be providing a life-long benefit to the adults you tutor.

Tutor Training Workshop: Sept. 30, Oct 7, 21, 28 Nov. 4, 11. Meeting will be in the upstairs meeting room in the Warner Library, Tarrytown. Call 914-488-4250 or visit: [www.lvtarrytown.org](http://www.lvtarrytown.org) for more information

### CYO Basketball Registration

The Transfiguration CYO Basketball program will be holding its annual registration on Thursday, September 21st at 7:00 pm in the Transfiguration School Gym.

We welcome all boys and girls in grades 3rd through 8th who are Transfiguration students, parishioners and Religious Education students. If you have any questions please email Rob Sullivan at [robsullivan@optonline.net](mailto:robsullivan@optonline.net). Also if you are interested in coaching please notify Rob at the same email address.



All registration packets are due that night, Sept 21st and the fee is \$110 per player and approximately \$80 for a new uniform.

We look forward to seeing you there!

### What is "Normal Grief"?

Come join us on Tuesday, Oct. 3rd at 7:30 pm. Sr. Betty Kolb, MS, LCSW will speak with us about *grief* and *grieving*. She will offer some coping skills that may be useful dealing with death and loss and provide time for dialogue.

You will be happy to know that each of us deals with grief differently. There is no right way.

Please call the Priory @ 631-1672 to let us know you are coming.

A Free 6-Week **Employment Networking Support Group** is being offered by The RDC Center for Counseling & Human Development.

The program will explore self assessment, job trends, resume writing, interviewing skills and LinkedIn on the following Monday evenings, Sept. 18, 25, Oct. 2, 16, 23 & 30 from 6:30-8PM at The White Plains Education & Training Center, 303 Quarropas St., White Plains. For more information or to register please contact Pat Sheridan, LCSW, (914) 798-1103 or [psheridan@divinecompassion.org](mailto:psheridan@divinecompassion.org)

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INFORMATION SHEET

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