

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

# THE CHURCH OF THE TRANSFIGURATION

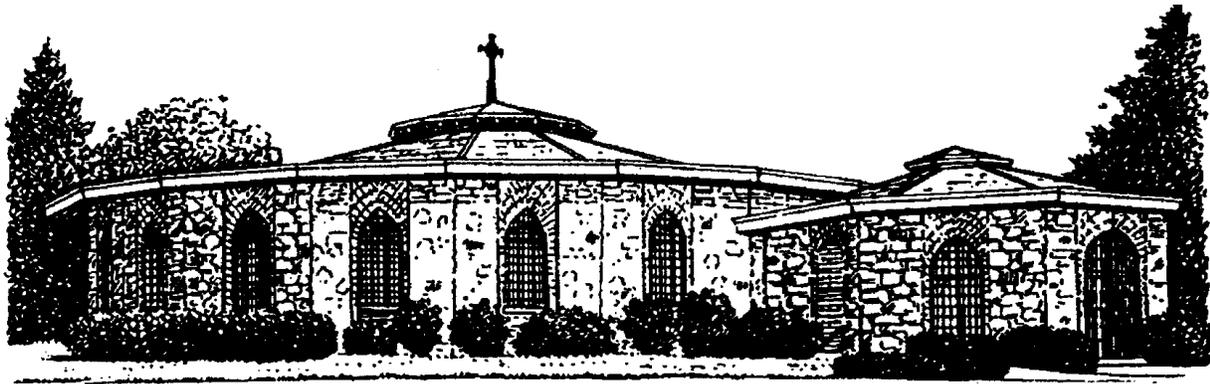
Tarrytown, New York 10591



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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 9:00 am to 7:00 pm, Tuesday 9:00 am to 4:00 pm  
Wednesday & 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 anytime for an appointment.

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

**Transfiguration School**  
Prospect Avenue  
631-3737

**Religious Ed. Center**  
Prospect Avenue  
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# Weekly Offering



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## God's Plan for Giving

January 14, 2018

\$9,429.00

Attendance—689 Envelopes—228

Catholic Communications

\$1,757.00 Envelopes-

*Next week's second collection will be Church Maintenance*

## READINGS, SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Sunday: Third Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Jon 3:1-5, 10; Ps 25:4-9; 1 Cor 7:29-31; Mk 1:14-20
- Monday: Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children  
2 Sm 5:1-7, 10; Ps 89:20-22, 25-26; Mk 3:22-30, *or any of a number of readings for the Day of Prayer*
- Tuesday: St. Vincent; Saint Marianne Cope  
2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19; Ps 24:7-10; Mk 3:31-35
- Wednesday: St. Francis de Sales  
2 Sm 7:4-17; Ps 89:4-5, 27-30; Mk 4:1-20
- Thursday: The Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle  
Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Mk 16:15-18
- Friday: Ss. Timothy and Titus  
2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5; Ps 51:3-7, 10-11; Mk 4:26-34
- Saturday: St. Angela Merici; Blessed Virgin Mary  
2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17; Ps 51:12-17; Mk 4:35-41
- Sunday: Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time; Catholic Schools Week  
Dt 18:15-20; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; 1 Cor 7:32-35; Mk 1:21-28

## TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — The people of Nineveh believed God and turned from their evil ways (Jonah 3:1-5, 10).

**Psalm** — Teach me your ways, O Lord (Psalm 25).

**Second Reading** — The world in its present form is passing away (1 Corinthians 7:29-31).

**Gospel** — This is the time of fulfillment. The kingdom of God is at hand (Mark 1:14-20).

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## SATURDAY, January 20, 2018

55:00 John Kunert req. by Kyle Broadway

## SUNDAY, January 21, 2018

8:00 Daniel Moriarty req. by Peggy & Kevin O'Sullivan

10:00 Guy Wilson req. by Jean Wilson

12:00 Henry L. Rang req. by Mr. & Mrs. T. Milanta

## MONDAY

7:15 Dan Moriarty req. by Rita O'Shea

9:00 Everett Weaver req. by John & Peggy Kraft

## TUESDAY

7:15 Jean Donnelly req. by Lois Duggan

9:00 Domenica Innaelli req. by Tom & Elaine Smith

## WEDNESDAY

7:15 John F. Smith req. by Bridget Murphy

9:00 The Parishioners of Transfiguration

## THURSDAY

7:15 Mario Minera req. Dommico & Claudia Saddano

9:00 Timothy O'Connell req. by the St. Vincent de Paul Society

## FRIDAY

7:15 Margaret C. Warren req. by the Peg Warren estate

9:00 Nick Ranieri req. by Tracey, Don & Ryan Smith

## SATURDAY

9:00 Everett Weaver req. by Bernice Rossignol

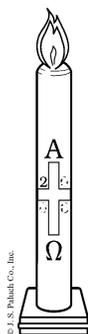
5:00 John & Mary Kunert req. by Mary Ann Kunert

## SUNDAY

8:00 Robert Saldis req. by the Malone family

10:00 Students, Faculty & Parents of Transfiguration Regional School

12:00 Patrick Kennedy req. by James & Patricia Kennedy



The Sanctuary candle burning in the Church this week is in the memory of John Walpuck req. by Diana Walpuck & family

The Sanctuary candle burning in the Chapel this week for Regina Anna Baur.

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

## Third Sunday in Ordinary Time January 22, 2012

The kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel.— *Mark 1:15*

**POPE PAUL VI AND THE DIVINE GIFTS OF MARRIED LIFE:**

On July 25, 1968, Pope Paul VI issued the encyclical *Humanae Vitae*. It was an anxiously awaited document, especially given the context of great change that the world was undergoing, and the work of the second Vatican council in addressing contemporary issues in the light of faith. In this case, while he entitles the letter as addressing the Church's "regulation on birth," Paul VI addresses both procreation and the wider question of sexual morality. For the next few weeks, therefore, I would like to look at some aspects of the letter that I pray will be helpful in understanding and growing in our faith. This week, I would like to offer some preliminary thoughts before reflecting on the document.

In order to understand some of the thinking behind the circular letter, one must recall the immediate historical context that led up to the pope composing it. Theology never happens in a vacuum. Instead, our pondering on God and our relationship with Him always comes as a result of our reflections on our human reality. Thus, World War II saw the worst of humanity in the attempted genocide of the Jews, and the elimination of all who did not fit into the Nazi vision of the construction of an Aryan race. Almost immediately following this, scientific discoveries led to the development of a nuclear arsenal and the growth of nations as superpowers who had the potential not only to annihilate populations with one bomb, but to affect the entire planet with the resulting spread of radiation. The capacity and the desire of human beings to destroy one another so utterly and completely made people question the existence of God, given that human beings valued one another so little. Furthermore, the possibility for destroying one's enemies so easily meant that human beings could easily devalue others by getting rid of them. All of these events in Western history had their impact on the rest of the world.

Vatican II, therefore, had a duty to address the existential questions that rose from this history of destruction and fear. Because of this the council invited the leaders the Church throughout the world,

as well as those outside of the Catholic Church, to participate in the proceedings. In the end, one of the most important things they did was to remind humanity of our fundamental goodness and of our mission to edify and build up the whole of humanity because each of us is made in the image and likeness of God and saved by Jesus Christ.

The awareness of one's value and personal power also played an important role in another of the influences on the encyclical: the sexual revolution. While the major events began in the 1950's, they had their roots in the 1920's and the surrealist movement. Freudianism, anthropological studies and societal changes in non-European and non-North American cultures, scientific studies on sexuality, and the feminist movement also had a hand in the development of the sexual revolution in the West. The movement brought some positive changes, particularly in the area of women's rights. At the same time, sexual liberation presented challenges that led to contraception and abortion as solutions, and the objectification of human beings as sexual objects.

Given all of these elements, i.e., recalling humanity to its fundamental dignity, and the threats to that dignity even at the moment of conception, the pope felt it important to address the whole Church regarding these issues and remind us that human beings were created to participate in the divine act of creativity and creation as a part of our way of loving.

If you would like to read the encyclical, please go to the Vatican's website:  
[http://w2.vatican.va/content/paul-vi/en/encyclicals/documents/hf\\_p-vi\\_enc\\_25071968\\_humanae-vitae.html](http://w2.vatican.va/content/paul-vi/en/encyclicals/documents/hf_p-vi_enc_25071968_humanae-vitae.html)

Please also see the US Bishops' website for celebratory events, both national and international:  
<http://www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/marriage-and-family/natural-family-planning/resources/humanae-vitae.cfm>

## **SNOW EMERGENCY DAYS:**

In the event of a snow emergency,

On weekdays: the parish will generally follow the schedule of the Transfiguration school. Therefore, if the school is **closed**, then the parish will be **closed** and all evening activities will be cancelled.

If the school has a **two-hour delay**, the parish will cancel the 7:15 am Mass and instead have the 9:00 Mass. The parish office will open at 10:00 am.

If the school has a **one-hour delay** both the 7:15 am and 9:00 am Masses will be celebrated and the parish office will open at 9:00 am.

On **weekend**, the parish will open for the Masses and close immediately after the last Mass.

Our priority is the safety of all on the roads, and the snow crew who must have space to properly clean the parish property.

**Scripture: St. Mark.** The next session or meeting of the scripture group studying St. Mark's Gospel will be Sunday, February 4 at 9:00 AM in the Jerry Blood conference room. Focus will be on Mark 1:14-3:6 - the beginning of Jesus' ministry. All welcome.

We are a Catholic Social Widows and Widowers Group. We meet monthly, usually on the fourth Monday of the month, at Church of St Pius X, 91 Secor Rd, Scarsdale to honor our deceased spouses with a Mass at 7 PM in the small chapel off the main church, followed by a social meeting with refreshments. Our next meeting date is Monday, January 22nd. We plan activities and have meals at local area restaurants. We recently held our annual Christmas brunch at the Doral Arrowwood. We welcome all Catholic Widows/Widowers.. For inquiries, call 914-715-5817 or email: [cww10583@gmail.com](mailto:cww10583@gmail.com).

## **PLEASE PRAY FOR:**

### **OUR MILITARY:**

Anthony Correia, Nick O'Kelly

### **OUR SICK:**

Justin Baker, William Duggan,  
Ann Duggan Baker, Charles Gadino,  
Norbert & Patricia Godin, Mary Lester,  
Sharon Lynch, Carmen Rodriguez,  
Robert Sorrentino

### **OUR DECEASED:**

Lucy A. DiMuro, Lindsey Schaefer White

*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.*

## **TRANSFIGURATION SENIORS:**

- **Thursday, January 18th at 1:00 pm:** Meeting in the Parish Hall.  
Renew membership dues \$10.00

\*Remember, if schools are closed due to weather our meeting will be cancelled.

There will be a Coffee Hour today, following the 10:00 am Mass in the Parish Hall. Our hosts will be Tricia McNally and Chris Sinopoli. All are invited to come and mingle with their fellow parishioners.



*Next week no Coffee Hour.*

## **MAKE A JOYFUL NOISE...WITH THE**

**CHOIR:** Would you like to serve the parish community but aren't sure how? Do you like to sing? Consider joining the parish choir! Under the direction of our music director, Ksenia Lowenfels, we sing an interesting and wide-ranging repertoire. Adults and children are all invited to participate in this parish ministry. If you are interested, or have questions, please speak to Ksenia Lowenfels, our organist / director, (917) 510-3979 or (917) 717-1372, or contact Alice Droogan at (914) 332-4899.

Transfiguration School - 40 Prospect Ave.

Tarrytown, NY - Open Houses - from 9:00 a.m. - 2:00p.m. daily and evenings by appointment only for the Months of January & February. We are accepting applications for students in our Pre-K 3 and 4-Year-Old **Full Day** program. Our school provides an excellent elementary education to students from Pre-K3 to 8th grade.

Transfiguration Elementary school endeavors to embody the ideals of primary level education in exemplary fashion. Our philosophy and structure focus on the developmental needs of early adolescents. We seek to foster a highly challenging intellectual environment that is also very nurturing and supportive and within which students can experience a level of academic and personal success. Our goal is to have students begin to develop sound habits of mind and a life-long love of learning.

The Middle School endeavors to provide students with a rich experience both in and beyond the classroom. Through numerous activities with a focus on community service, our students and families sustain a strong school spirit. We offer a variety of after school activities, such as band, enrichment activities and sports such as Track, CYO Basketball. and Volleyball.

Our school aspires to be vibrant and dynamic, alive with the excitement and energy of this age group and the spirit of shared intellectual and personal growth. We are part of a community which has high academic expectations for students. At the same time, we offer our students a full range of support services as they navigate the twists and turns of early adolescence. We take pride in our school and the sense of community and empathy it fosters. The school has a long-standing commitment to faith and community service.

Please contact us@ 914-631-3737 about any aspects of our program that may interest you.

GinaMarie Fonte, Principal

Did you know that there are several choices of Eucharistic Prayers that the priest can choose from? A few are printed in the Missalette, but the Roman Missal offers many choices to be used for different occasions. The Eucharistic Prayer tells our salvation history and, through the action of the priest and people, the bread and wine become the body and blood of Christ.

We bow with reverence before our Lord in holy communion. It is a privilege to receive Holy Communion. It is privilege to distribute Holy Communion. When the eyes of the giver meet the eyes of the receiver and the receiver responds "Amen" to the words "the Body of Christ" or "the Blood of Christ" it is the action of two believing people saying "Yes!" this is the Body of Christ or this is the Blood of Christ. Each confirms the others faith. We are saying "Yes!" our God has come to us in very human elements and will now dwell within us through the Eucharist. It is a very sacred moment.



Jesus is present in bread and wine. He has fully given himself to that. And He does not choose who chooses to receive him. It is a moment of vulnerability for our God. At Transfiguration we are fortunate to be able to receive under both species, the bread and the wine. Most people seem very comfortable receiving the host, but fewer receive the precious blood. When one receives the precious blood, one takes up the cup of salvation and accepts the cup of suffering. Let us receive Him, in whatever way we are comfortable, with profound reverence. Let us receive Him with gratitude.

Once again, we have ***Stop & Shop gift cards***. Please stop by the Parish Office to pick some up. The parish receives 5% of your purchase.

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