

Christ in the Storm on the Sea of Galilee by Ludolf Bakhuizen



June
20
2021

12th Sunday in
Ordinary Time – Year B

Why do we exist?

Transfiguration exists to lead all those in the East Metro to Christ, the Source and Summit of our daily and eternal lives.



TRANSFIGURATION



My Dear Friends,

This coming week Father Lynch and I will be in Winona, MN, attending the biennial priest assembly. For the past few decades, this gathering of all Archdiocesan priests has taken place in Rochester, MN, right next door to the Mayo clinic. However, due to some difficulties with our usual hotel, this year's get-together will instead take place

on the campus of Saint Mary's in Winona, where a priest of the Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis, Father James Burns, currently serves as president. I always enjoy these times together with brother priests. Please keep us all in your prayers as we gather with our spiritual father, Archbishop Hebda, and as brothers, for a time of renewal and fraternity.

It is my belief that one of the major causes of the sex abuse scandal that rocked the Catholic Church in recent years was the absence of real brotherhood within the presbyterate. Don't misunderstand me – it was not the ONLY cause. But when brother priests do not care for each other, or ignore the issues we see for ourselves within the lives of our fellow clergy, the faithful suffer. The priesthood was not meant to be lived alone.

continued on page 3

Lord's Day Masses

Saturday: 4:00 p.m.

Sunday: 8:30 a.m.

10:30 a.m.

6:00 p.m.

Daily Masses

Monday-Saturday: 8:00 a.m.

Be sure to check the weekly calendar for holiday changes.

Church Office Info



6133 15th Street North
Oakdale, MN 55128

Monday-Thursday:

8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Friday: 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.



Phone: 651-738-2646

After-hours Emergency:

651-501-2250



mpraska@transfigurationmn.org

bulletin@transfigurationmn.org

School Office Info



Office: 651-501-2220

Attendance Line: 651-501-2255



tiger@transfigurationmn.org

Church: www.transfigurationmn.org

School: www.transfigurationmn.org/school

STAFF INFORMATION

PASTOR

Fr. John Paul Erickson 651-738-2646
frerickson@transfigurationmn.org

ASSOCIATE PASTOR

Fr. Brian Lynch 651-738-2646
frlynch@transfigurationmn.org

DEACON

Deacon Dan Brewer 651-738-2646
dbrewer@transfigurationmn.org

PARISH ADMINISTRATOR

Erin Ethier 651-501-2209
eehier@transfigurationmn.org

SAFE ENVIRONMENT COORDINATOR / PARISH SECRETARY

Martha Praska 651-738-2646
mpraska@transfigurationmn.org

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Kathy Weed 651-738-2646
kweed@transfigurationmn.org

FINANCE ASSISTANT & TADS

Kim Connolly 651-501-2208
kconnolly@transfigurationmn.org

SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

Andy Jacobson 651-501-2216
principal@transfigurationmn.org

DIRECTOR OF SACRED MUSIC

Mary Demko 651-501-2224
mdemko@transfigurationmn.org

LITURGY COORDINATOR

Shantel Schallenkamp 651-501-2206
sschallenkamp@transfigurationmn.org

DIRECTOR OF PARISH FORMATION

Justin Kortuem 651-501-2207
jkortuem@transfigurationmn.org

CONFIRMATION COORDINATOR

Justin Shay 651-501-2219
jshay@transfigurationmn.org

PARISH LIFE & YOUTH FORMATION COORDINATOR

Melissa Phinney 651-501-2202
mphinney@transfigurationmn.org

COMMUNICATIONS COORDINATOR

Michelle Jwanouskos
bulletin@transfigurationmn.org

MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR

Phil Stoffel 651-501-2245
pstoffel@transfigurationmn.org

AFTER HOURS PASTORAL

EMERGENCY NUMBER: 651-501-2250

VICTIM/SURVIVOR SITE & HOTLINE

safe-environment.archspm.org 651-291-4475

SACRAMENT INFORMATION

Baptisms

If you have a child needing to be baptized or if you are expecting a child soon, please call the parish office at 651-738-2646 to make arrangements for an individual Baptism class.

Congratulations!

Praise God for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ given to *Bennett Robert Connolly*, son of Marc and Abigail.

Weddings

If you would like to celebrate your wedding at Transfiguration, please contact the Parish Office at least nine months in advance.

Wedding Banns Announcement I:

Karen Vanderzanden & Kyle Bernhardt will be joined in the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony here on July 10, 2021.

RCIA - Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Interested in becoming Catholic? We invite anyone who has questions about the Faith, or who may be interested in becoming Catholic, to contact our parish office at 651-738-2646.

Obituaries

An obituary page is available on the parish website. It can be found at www.transfigurationmn.org/obits



FINANCIAL UPDATE

Weekend Collection Totals:	Amount Collected	Budget
July through May 2021	\$ 1,204,658	\$ 1,220,000
June 2021	40,828	42,000
Fiscal Year Total as of 6/13/2021	1,245,486	1,262,000
Surplus/(Deficit)		(16,514)
Percent above(below) budget		-1.31%

Big-Ticket Capital Improvement Fund

Big Ticket Balance as of May 31, 2021	\$ 45,009
Amount Collected June 2021	3,385
Balance in Big-Ticket Savings Account	\$ 48,394

Long-Term Debt for Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2021

Principal payments July 2020 through May 2021	\$ 282,802
Interest Paid on Long-Term Debt since July 1, 2020	171,369
Balance on Long-Term Debt as of May 31, 2020	3,983,128
Principal payments through June 2021	13,632
Balance on Long-Term Debt as of June 13, 2021	3,969,496

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, June 20 – 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30-7:55 a.m. – Confessions*
8:30 a.m. – Holy Mass
10:30 a.m. – Holy Mass (incense & high altar)
6:00 p.m. – Holy Mass

Monday, June 21

8:00 a.m. – Mass
7:00-8:00 p.m. – AA Meeting

Tuesday, June 22

No 8:00 a.m. Mass/No confessions ✘
Noon-1:00 p.m. – Private Prayer/Adoration

Wednesday, June 23

No 8:00 a.m. Mass ✘
8:00-10:00 p.m. – Men's Basketball

Thursday, June 24

No 8:00 a.m. Mass/No confessions ✘
Noon-1:00 p.m. – Private Prayer/Adoration
7:00-8:00 p.m. – AA Meeting

Friday, June 25

8:00 a.m. – Mass

Saturday, June 26

8:00 a.m. – Mass
4:00 p.m. – Vigil Mass

Sunday, June 27 – 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30-7:55 a.m. – Confessions*
8:30 a.m. – Holy Mass
10:30 a.m. – Holy Mass (incense)
6:00 p.m. – Holy Mass (high altar)

✘ No Mass or confessions June 22-24; all priests of the archdiocese are attending their annual meeting. A retired priest will offer an 8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Ambrose.

* Except when noted, confessions will be offered:
• Sundays 7:30-7:55 a.m.
• Tuesdays & Thursdays noon-12:30 p.m.

**All times subject to change.
Please check our parish website
daily for time changes.**

PASTOR'S COLUMN

(continued from page 1)

There is a reason that the Lord sent the disciples out two by two. And I think that it is not only to be found in the need to evangelize through an example of living love; it is also the case that our work as priests is challenging, and we need our brothers to strengthen us, challenge us, and to hold us accountable to the promises we made on our ordination day. Loneliness and fatigue, let alone pride and selfishness, are real dangers in the priestly way of life for even the best of clerics. For all these reasons, I am so grateful to God and to the Archbishop for the gift of Father Lynch at Transfiguration and the chance to live in community with him. While our life together is hardly the same as religious life, we do try to share a meal at least twice a week, and we pray together portions of the Divine Office, the prayer that every priest is bound to pray daily. These are great gifts in my life, and I hope they are in Father Lynch's as well.

While in Winona, all priests of the Archdiocese will hear from the Archbishop about his vision for our local Church and his wishes regarding the Archdiocesan Synod. We will also listen to a series of lectures by Father Spitzer of EWTN fame on priestly happiness, and we will gather for prayer and recreation. Again, please pray for your priests this week. The assembly begins on the evening of June 21 and concludes on the morning of June 24.

In other news...

I am still planning on traveling to Uganda at the end of July to attend Deacon Zeph's priestly ordination. However, just last week the president of that beautiful country ordered a near complete shut-down of his nation due to a sudden surge of COVID cases. While the shut-down will end before my presumed arrival, it is still disconcerting, and may in the end force me to change my plans. Please keep this intention in your prayers as well. I want desperately to be there for Zeph, and it will break my heart if my trip is cancelled. But...God's will be done.

I hope and pray that your summer is off to a great start. Please make sure you've marked your calendar for August 7, our parish Feast Day Festival. While it is still several weeks away, June is more than half over, and August will be here before you know it.

In Christ, the Transfigured and Transfiguring One,

Fr. Erickson

"Lord, How good it is for us to be here!"
(MATTHEW 17:4)

ACCESSIBLE, AVAILABLE, MULTIPLE POINTS OF ENTRY

We are committed to providing many opportunities for as many people as possible to encounter the Lord through programs and offerings that are accessible, friendly, and convenient.

Donut Sunday-Please Volunteer



Sunday, July 4, is our monthly donut Sunday following the 8:30 and 10:30 a.m. Masses. Individually-wrapped donuts will be available in the gathering space. We still stand in need of volunteers to make our donut Sundays successful; if you are willing to assist, please visit our parish website to sign up.

Save the Date



**Young Adult Potluck
Saturday, July 17
After the 4:00 p.m. Mass
Ages 21-39 years**

Evangelizing with Donuts

Back by popular demand! We again offer our Transfiguration tote bags – each containing four donuts, a book, and a flyer about upcoming events – available for you to grab on your way home.

This is a perfect opportunity to treat your neighbor and start a conversation about your faith or just ask them if you can pray for them this week.

SSVM Missions

SSVM Missions (Servants of the Lord and The Virgin of Matará) will be coming to Transfiguration on June 26/27 for the mission appeal. You may find more information about them at their websites www.servidoras.org or www.ssvmmissions.org.

The appeal allows the Sisters the opportunity to speak about their mission work in the Philippines, which stands in great need of Transfiguration's support. The sisters work with children and poor families in human and religious development, specifically providing medical care, education on hygiene, manage a large feeding program, and teach catechism to children and adults.

Thank you in advance for your support and generosity of the SSVM Missions, and for welcoming Mother Mary Mother of Faith to Transfiguration. As they daily strive to help those in need, the Sisters are most grateful to all of us for our prayers, contributions, and generosity; truly a grace from God and a consolation for our missionary sisters, and they assure us of their prayers!



TRANSFIGURING SUNDAY EXPERIENCE

We recognize that the Sunday Mass is the true source and summit of our liturgical life in the Church, and we are committed to providing transcendent and transfiguring worship that also builds up our community as one.

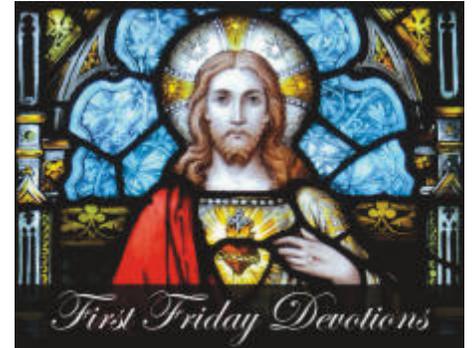
New Confession Times



Beginning in July, we will discontinue the Monday evening time for confession and instead offer confession on **Saturdays from 3:15-3:50 p.m.**

Remember to check our calendars in the current bulletin and posted on the doors and website for updated confession times.

First Fridays

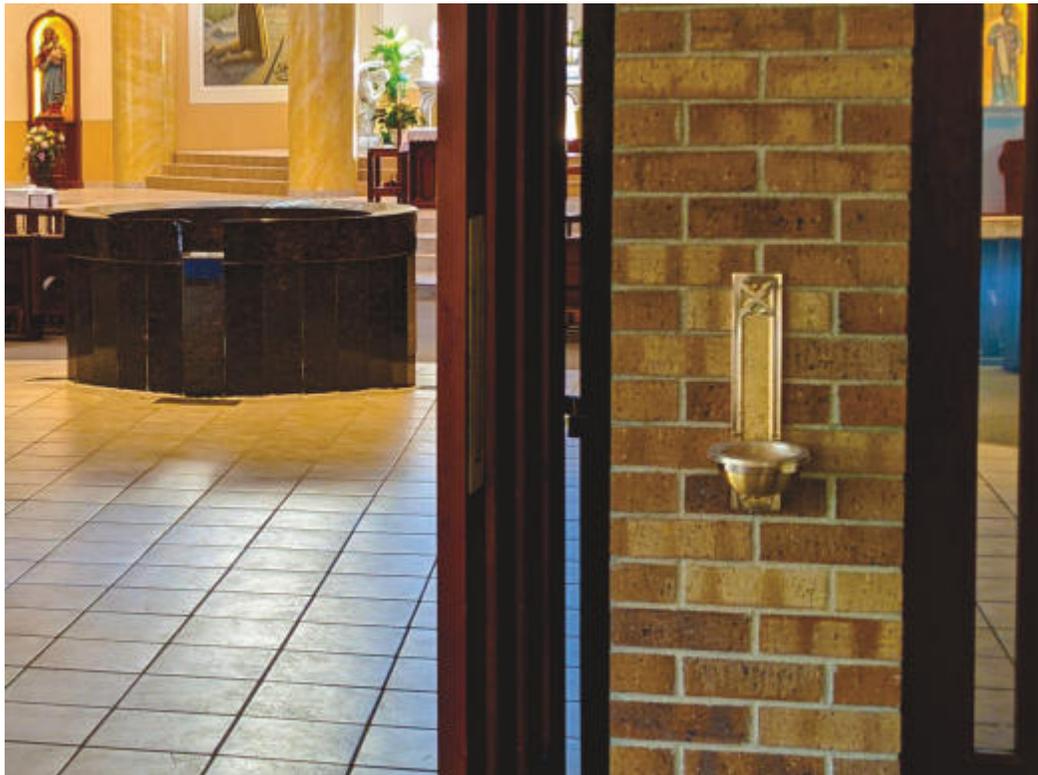


Many Catholics observe the **First Friday Devotions**. Therefore, **beginning Friday, July 2**, and continuing on the first Friday of each month, we will offer adoration and confession at 7:30 a.m. until the 8:00 a.m. Mass, and continue confessions following Mass if needed.

For more information on the First Friday devotion, please see the link on our website.

Holy Water

Holy water wall stoups have been installed at the doors into the church and are ready to use; we are unable to keep the large tiled font inside the doors sanitized and so will be instead using the wall stoups. Blessing ourselves with holy water is a reminder of our baptism, signaling that we are children of God.



Mass Intentions

Masses will be offered for each of these intentions.

Sunday, June 20

Frank W. Heintz, Sr. †
Louis & B. J. Haak †
The People of Transfiguration

Monday, June 21

Mary Sue Lind †

Tuesday, June 22

Joseph Phillips Family
Bud Sauer †

Wednesday, June 23

Gary Wirkus †

Thursday, June 24

Paulina & Michael Schmitz †

Friday, June 25

Maurice Wessel †

Saturday, June 26

Doru Posteuca †
Joseph Schultz †

Sunday, June 27

Mike, Jessica, &
Baby Freiermuth
Terrence O'Malley †
The People of Transfiguration

PRO-FAMILY CULTURE

We are committed to being a truly “pro-family” culture, a culture that recognizes parents’ primary role in the education of their children, encourages and promotes a radical openness to life, and strives to support families in their efforts to be holy and to form their beloved children into saints.



Our Feast Day Festival will be held on **Saturday, August 7 from 2:00-9:00 p.m.** This year's festival will feature live music, kids' games, great food, and of course, a raffle! But the main attraction this year will be a bit different. The 2021 Festival theme is “Family Reunion,” and the main attraction will be our fellow parishioners, especially those who have been away during the pandemic. Our Parish is a family, and we are having a reunion! It is time to come home.

Like any good family reunion, we will have t-shirts available, thank you to Frankie C. (Transfiguration 8th grader) for the design. T-shirts, along with raffle tickets, will be available for sale in the upcoming weeks. Please look at next week’s bulletin for the Festival schedule!



School Choice Legislation

There are many options on the table to help parents access true educational choice for their kids. Whether it be tuition tax credits, education savings accounts, or any of the many other possible solutions, tell your legislators and Governor Walz that Minnesota’s kids need school choice and cannot wait any longer. Please watch this video for more information: www.wevideo.com/view/2203638072

Open Enrollment

We currently have open enrollment for 6th-8th grade. At Transfiguration our middle school students are taught to exhibit the Three Pillars of our School: Christian Discipleship, Academic Excellence, and Great Love. In addition to traditional classroom learning, students attend Mass weekly, have the opportunity for confession and adoration, cultivate a deeper understanding of the Catholic faith, and much more.

Please contact tiger@transfigurationmn.org to set up a virtual tour and to learn about our affordable tuition.

Why do you love Transfiguration School?

“

“The answer is easy: the people are the reason why I am at Transfiguration. The teachers and staff are always ready to help, and they are always friendly. Every day I walk into that school I feel welcomed and loved.”

~ Molly M., current 8th grader

Volunteers Needed

Our annual summer Totus Tuus program begins in just one week. While we still have plenty of slots available for your child to attend, we are also in the need for many volunteers. We need assistance for class room monitors, kitchen assistance, snacks for the kids, lunch and dinner for the missionaries.

To sign up to volunteer, please visit our parish website or contact our Totus Tuus coordinator, Melissa Phinney, at mphinney@transfiguration.org.



TOTUS TUUS

“Totally Yours”

FROM ERIN ETHIER, PARISH ADMINISTRATOR

The Big Ticket Capital Improvement Fund was launched in December 2014 when the line of credit was paid off. Due to our large amount of debt, we did not have funds to address mounting repairs and capital improvements that were needed on campus as many of the major systems - heating and air, roof, parking lot - were each nearing 30 years old. The second collection for the line of credit was very successful in raising \$288,000 in just under three years, so the Finance Council suggested we continue the monthly collection and use the funds to address major repairs needed on campus.

In January 2015 we established the Big Ticket Capital Improvement Fund and held the first monthly second collection. Transfiguration parishioners and guests have contributed over \$661,000 to the fund since then. The following is a list of major projects that have been completed with Big Ticket funds:

- \$229,000 to replace and repair sections of the parking lot
- \$204,000 to replace the original boilers and air conditioning units, and several rooftop heating and cooling units in the school
- \$146,000 to replace the original flat roof areas over the church and parish offices, along with several roof repair projects across the building
- \$36,000 on smaller projects like replacing sprinkler heads, installing LED light fixtures, and updating the parish kitchen
- \$32,000 to update and replace sound equipment in the Church
- \$14,000 to replace the phone system on campus

 Follow us @
facebook.com/
Transfigurationmn

 Join the conversation
@ Twitter.com/
TransfigParish

 See what's going on
@ Instagram.com/
Transfig39

 Listen to past homilies and watch other videos by going to
Transfigurationmn.org/YouTube


Assisted living memory care
NOW OPEN
(651) 855-0909 | CerenitySeniorCare.com


DITTRICH LAW FIRM P.A.
GREGORY D. DITTRICH
Parishioner
Family Law & Wills
www.dittrichlawoffice.com
Conveniently located at I-94 & Radio Dr.
651-730-6223 Free 1/2 Hr. Initial Consultation


Bank Local. Bank Premier.
Maplewood 651.777.7700
Woodbury 651.578.6998
Roseville 651.633.8880
White Bear Lake 651.426.7800
www.premierbanks.com



WE'RE HIRING
AD SALES EXECUTIVES
BE YOURSELF. BRING YOUR PASSION.
WORK WITH PURPOSE.

- Work-Life Balance
- Full-Time with Benefits
- Serve Your Community
- Paid Training
- Some Travel

Contact us at careers@4lpi.com
www.4lpi.com/careers


SCARFONE CONTRACTING
design • build • remodel
4875 Pilot Knob RD
Eagan MN 55122
651-456-8385
info@scarfonecontracting.com
LIC # BC 638621
scarfonecontracting.com

Newest & Most Affordable Funeral Home in the Area!
Michael O'Halloran - Owner

Cremation • Funeral Services • Life Celebrations
651-702-0301 www.ohalloranmurphy.com

AVAILABLE FOR A LIMITED TIME!
ADVERTISE HERE NOW!

Contact **Jim Byrne**
to place an ad today!
jbyrne@4LPi.com or
(800) 950-9952 x2596

Kootenia
homes & remodeling

— & —

ml michael lee

P Park Dental
St. Croix Valley

Dr. Valentina V. Ronning
is a proud parishioner.

651-439-2600 | parkdental.com



WULFF
Funeral Home

Cremation Services • Advance Planning

Susan Montpetit, Manager
651-776-1555

1485 White Bear Ave. St. Paul



S & R FREE ESTIMATE FINANCING

APPLIANCE REPAIR, INC. **bryant**

HEATING • COOLING

Rob Langer, Parishioner

SUN RAY
PLUMBING & HEATING INC

Residential • Commercial
FOUR GENERATIONS STRONG

651-779-6823

GLENN ROESKE STEVE ROESKE
www.sunrayplumbing.com

CURATIO: An Apostolate for Catholic Healthcare Professionals

You are not alone. Find support in practicing your faith. *Grow in holiness.*

Learn more -

CuratioApostolate.com/
Transfiguration






Your Curatio representative, Sydney March RN parishioner

\$100⁰⁰ OFF
Installation of Furnace or
Air Conditioner - OR -
\$250⁰⁰ OFF
for Installation of BOTH

\$20⁰⁰ OFF
WORK
PERFORMED

PRESENT COUPON AT TIME OF SERVICE ORDER.
NOT VALID WITH ANY OTHER OFFER OR DISCOUNT.

SALES • SERVICE • INSTALLATION
651-429-0001 • www.srheatingcooling.com

Brian Conners REALTOR
Parishioner

www.brianconners.com
651.963.5751 • bconners@bellbank.com

Bell Bank
Mortgage



The Philomena House

Housing for homeless pregnant women.
Volunteers needed.

651-373-1205
PhilomenaHouse.org

Gormans
Family Restaurant

Since 1980

3 Miles E. of 694 on County Rd. 14, Lake Elmo, MN
651-770-2476

Hours: M-Sat 6am-8pm • Sun 7am-3pm
Breakfast Served Anytime!

Ed & Kathy Gorman, Parishioners

Relevant Radio 1330 AM
"Catholic Radio-bridging the gap between faith & everyday life"

CATHOLICS
COME HOME

www.catholicscomehome.org
Together We Can End Abortion

HOMES RE/MAX
BY SHAYNE RESULTS

Shayne Hall
Realtor, MN & WI
(651) 335-6607
www.HomesByShayne.com



Michael Justen, Master Plumber

JUSTEN
PLUMBING
Inc.

651-605-5025
www.justenplumbing.com
Licensed, Bonded & Insured

First Student



NOW HIRING
SCHOOL BUS DRIVERS!

Apply Online at:
FirstGroupCareers.com

Options | EAST
for Women

A PREGNANCY MEDICAL CLINIC

651-776-2328
891 White Bear Ave St. Paul
www.optionsforwomeneast.com

PROTECTING SENIORS NATIONWIDE
MEDICAL ALERT SYSTEM

\$29.95/MO PLUS SPECIAL OFFER
BILLED QUARTERLY

CALL NOW! 1.877.801.7772
WWW.24-7MEDALARM.COM



SUPPORT OUR ADVERTISERS!



We've Missed You!
Welcome Back to Mass



Stay connected to our faith community no matter where you are
by signing up to get our bulletin delivered straight to your email!

www.ParishesOnline.com

State Farm
Providing Insurance and Financial Services
Home Office, Bloomington, Illinois 61710

Amy Brown Ins Agency Inc
Amy Brown CLU CPCU, Agent
1513 Geneva Avenue N
Oakdale, MN 55128-4219
Bus 651.735.4193 Fax 651.735.7673
www.amybrown.us • amy@amybrown.us

The greatest compliment you can give is a referral.



Your search for a self
storage facility is over!

North Star
Mini Storage

SECURE • SAFE • SELF STORAGE
7353 15th Street N, Oakdale, MN 55128

651-731-1313
OUR PRICES START AT:
\$65.00
Per Month!

www.northstarministorage.com



Furlong's Liquor

Terry Furlong
Dan Furlong

Voted Best Liquor Store
Best Wine Selection
Best Service Past 21 Years

www.FurlongsLiquor.com
Hwy 36 & Century
779-7757

Party Planning and delivery
Open Late Night 8-10pm
Monday - Saturday



ADT-Monitored Home Security
Get 24-Hour Protection From a Name You Can Trust

- Burglary
- Fire Safety
- Flood Detection
- Carbon Monoxide

ADT Authorized Provider **SafeStreets**

1-855-225-4251