

3rd Sunday of Lent
March 7, 2021



CHURCH *of the* TRANSFIGURATION

"Lord, How good it is for us to be here..." Matt. 17:4



*Everlasting
Love*

glorified

3RD SUNDAY OF LENT

**"THOSE WHO
ARE HUMBLE OF
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ST. BERNADETTE SOUBIROUS

"Lord, how good it is for us to be here."

Monday March 8, 2021

*** 2 Kgs 5:1-15ab/Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4 [cf 42:3]/Lk 4:24-30
 6:45 am Mass: Shirley Besanceney by Grace & Larry Aiken
 10:00 am: Chair Yoga- PC Gym
 7:00 pm: Lenten Vespers with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament- Church

Tuesday March 9, 2021

*** Dn 3:25, 34-43/Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9 [6a]/Mt 18:21-35
 9:00 am Mass: Pat Hettrich by Judy & Charlie Newton
 4:30 pm: Catechesis of the Good Shephard-Ed. Ctr
 7:00 pm: Tri-Parish Retreat-Church

Wednesday, March 10, 2021

***Dt 4:1, 5-9/Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20/Mt 5:17-19
 6:45 am Mass: Grace & Art Roberts Sr. by the Roberts Family
 6:00 pm: Gentle Yoga-PLC Gym
 6:45 pm: RCIA- Deacon Eric- PLC Dbl. Room

Thursday, March 11, 2021

*** Jer 7:23-28/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 [8]/Lk 11:14-23
 6:45 am Mass: Florence Oakley by the Estate
 1:00 to 3:00 pm: Work of Our Hands-Ed. Ctr.

Friday, March 12, 2021

*** Hos 14:2-10/Ps 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14 and 17 [cf. 11 and 9a]/Mk 12:28-34

Saturday, March 13, 2021

*** Hos 6:1-6/Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab [cf. Hos 6:6]/Lk 18:9-14
 4:30 Mass: Rosemary Klee by Sheila & Terry Klee

Sunday March 14, 2021

*** 2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23/Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 [6ab]/Eph 2:4-10/
 Jn 3:14-21 or 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4m 5, 6 [1]/
 Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38
 9:00 am Mass: Matthew Finegan by Barbara & Terry Finegan
 Also Live Streaming www.transfigurationpittsford.org
 11:00 am Mass: Bily Connors by Margie & Ray Benza

If you are interested in helping a team, please call Gael Garrity! 381-9179



Team 5

M. Bold, G. Garrity, P. Johnson, J. Dmochowski



Sanctuary Candles burn in Memory of Marcella & Reginald Bold Dedicated by the Bold Family



Please remember in your prayers, Pat Burgmaier for the passing of her husband, George "Burge".



And he will raise you up... and hold you in the palm of his hands.



Memorial Flowers for

Easter

Envelopes are in the Gathering Area if you wish to have loved ones mentioned in the Celebration of Easter.



AVAILABLE NOW ON OUR WEB SITE

GIFT OF TREASURE

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Variance</u>
Last Weekend (2/28/21)	\$4,932	\$10,811	\$(5,879)
Online Giving in Feb. 2021	\$7,446	\$5,311	\$2,135
July 1, 2020 - Feb. 28, 2021	<u>\$690,883</u>	<u>\$696,211</u>	<u>\$(5,329)</u>

"Lord, how good it is for us to be here..."

SHARE YOUR GIFTS FROM GOD
Stewardship... Live It!



"Special request from Sister Grace Miller, Executive Director of the House of Mercy: our people need underwear (M/W small-4X), warm gloves, boots (M 9-15, W 6-11), sweats (small - 4X). Only NEW items due to COVID). We cannot walk this journey alone, we need your help."

https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/genericItemsPage/WP217FET3G4R?filter=&ref=cm_wl_huc_view&sort=default&type=wishlist&encoding=UTF8

From the Corner Office

Dear Friends,

Praying your "continuing Journey to Jerusalem" has been experiencing Lenten blessings as we come to understand more deeply God's *Everlasting Love!*

As promised, Father Rob Bourcy and I are pleased to share with you the work of our Clustering Committee.

Creating a new weekend Mass schedule is something many of you have been discussing and asking questions of the Clustering Committee and myself.

After the below invitation to take part in the Survey, you will find information from the Clustering Committee. Please take the time to read and prayerfully reflect on the questions being asked of you.

Note that we seek your responses and invite you to go on our website (www.transfigurationpittford.org) and fill out the survey; the survey will also be available on the Sunday afternoon email. If you need a "hard copy", you may pick one up in the Parish Office or Gathering Area. Please submit your input on line or drop off the "hard copy" at the Parish Office or in church by Wednesday March 17.

We are "Continuing the Journey to Jerusalem" as we embrace the Second Sunday of Lent. This weekend the Gospel (Mark 9:2-10) tells the magnificent account of the Transfiguration of the Lord. Peter acclaims in the experience "*It is good that we are here.*"

The passage takes on new meaning for all of us as we prepare to cluster with our neighbors to the south. Saint Catherine with her zeal saying "be everything you're meant to be and you'll set the world on fire" and Peter's "It is good that we are here" come together for the graces and blessings of our two faith communities.

Last week I told you that the Clustering Committee met on President's Day evening. I said I would share an update of our gathering. Here it is.

"On February 15th Parish Pastoral Council representatives from the Church of the Transfiguration and Saint Catherine of Siena met by Zoom.

After an opening prayer Chairpersons Jennifer Yates (SCS) and Mike Goonan (Transfiguration) shared what has been heard in regard to creating a new, amicable mass schedule. Both said that the travel time for the priest and time for socializing between the priest and parishioners were important. The Clustering Committee is conscious that we want to make sure that all is equitable for each parish and that there is no appearance of favoritism.

Suggested times were discussed, thinking as of now, that two masses on Saturday and two masses on Sunday, one each day at each parish, could be manageable. Consideration was also made to Saturdays when there are funerals and/or weddings and the need to allow sufficient time for programs on Sunday mornings.

The discussion was also influenced by the report tracking mass attendance over the last five years. It was noted that the most popular masses for Transfiguration and Saint Catherine were not at the same time. The group is aware that the least amount of change the better so that this new transition will succeed.

Chairpersons Jennifer Yates and Mike Goonan have created a report that is included in this weeks bulletin. The report will be provided as a bulletin insert with main points addressing the new Mass schedule.

There will also be a survey going out for feedback. Graciously, Ann Smith (Transfiguration) and Karen Zielinski (SCS)

offered to review the data received. This will then be communicated to everyone.

The Clustering Committee, after consultation with parishioners and endorsement by both of the Parish Pastoral Councils, will make the decision.

Again, be assured of our prayerfulness and heartfelt commitment to keep everyone informed of our Clustering planning."

May the Lord continue to bless our journey forward!

Please keep the Clustering Committee in your prayers. It is a good group that well represents our two faith communities.

Blessing in 2021!

Let us continue to pray for peace in our world!

In peace and courage,

Fr. Mike

P.S. A little humor for our seniors!



Transfiguration's Goal

\$203,413

As of Monday, March 1

Pledged \$181,542 (89.25%)

Short \$21,871

383 Pledges (28%) - Our goal 33.3% participation!

URGENT! URGENT!

We are whittling it down!

Thank you to those who have added to their pledge and to everyone who have pledged!

PLEASE MAKE YOUR PLEDGE ASAP

Please be mindful you have until May 31 to pay your pledge.

Please make every effort to make a pledge now, by going directly to www.dor.org/cma to make an online pledge; pledge cards are also available in the Gathering Area. Your pledge is important so we can avoid paying any shortage from parish savings.

Thank You!

Join us for
Lenten Vespers with
Adoration of the
Blessed Sacrament
Monday Evenings, 7 PM
March 8, 15, 22 and 29



**Celebrating St. Joseph
with Dr. Joe Kelly
Thursday March 18th at 7:00 pm
Church of the Transfiguration**



In 1870, Pope Pius IX proclaimed St. Joseph to be Patron of the Universal Church. In 2020, to celebrate the 150th anniversary of this proclamation, Pope Francis declared 2020-2021 to be the Year of St. Joseph. To celebrate the Feast of St. Joseph in this dedicated year, we are holding a special Evening Prayer to honor this great saint, the spouse of the Mother of God and the foster-father of the Son of God. As part of Evening Prayer, we are pleased to have Dr. Joseph Kelly give us an illustrated reflection on his patron saint.

All are most welcome to attend. We will gather in the church.

A face mask and check in process will be required.

Hope to see you there!

**Begins Wed.
April 7th**



Grief Share at Transfiguration

Our Grief Share Support Group begins on Wednesday, 4/07/21. Grief Share is a friendly, caring group of people who will walk alongside you through one of life's most difficult experiences of losing a loved one. The program offers caring and informative videos, workbook and shared conversation with each session led by an experienced facilitator. Unexpected things may come up and you will find encouragement and help whenever you attend.

Join us for this twelve-week program on Wednesdays from 12:30PM – 2:00PM in our Parish Life Center in a safely distanced, masked environment. Materials cost - \$25.00. Registration forms are on our website at TransfigurationPittsford.org or by calling to register. Questions? Please contact Margie Benza at 248-2427 x244 or margie.benza@dor.org. Registrations are due 3/30/21.

Global Solidarity

NEW DONATION PROCEDURES

Please read this important information on how to donate to our Ministry currently serving San Esteban, El Salvador

- * Write a check directly to Food for the Poor and write Transfiguration SC147734 in the memo line. Place the donation check in an envelope and mail to:

**Food for the Poor
Church Alliances
Attention: Kitty Soriano
6401 Lyons Road
Coconut Creek, FL 33073**

- * Use a credit card by going to our Champion Page on the Food for the Poor website. The link is

<https://www.championsforthe poor.org/index.cfm?fuseaction=donorDrive.participant&participantID=1064>

(Kitty will add our donors to the

DO NOT MAIL list to avoid mail solicitations).

Weekly Food Collection

Our weekly food collection continues Monday through Thursday from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM. and Friday 9:00 AM to Noon. We have barrels placed just inside the Church doors. We appreciate all the generous donations. These are difficult times for sure and our agencies that we support truly appreciate all of you!

Thank you all so much for your weekly support



Butternut Squash Curry (Deliciously Ella)

- 1 butternut squash peeled and cut into bite size pieces
- 1 sweet potato cut into bit size pieces
- large handful of spinach
- 1 red onion chopped
- 3 garlic cloves peeled and chopped
- 1 tbsp cumin
- 1 tbsp almond milk
- 1 tsp coriander
- 1 tsp curry powder
- 1/2 tsp cinnamon
- juice of 1 lime
- 1 -14 oz can coconut milk
- 1 tbsp coconut oil
- handful of chopped cilantro
- pinch sea salt

Meatless Monday

Instructions: heat oven to 375, place butternut squash and sweet potato separated on baking sheet, drizzle olive oil and pinch of salt over and bake 35-40 min. once soft, remove and put half of squash in the food processor with almond milk, and lime juice and blend until smooth. set aside. In a separate pot place coconut oil, add onion, garlic and large pinch of salt. add the sauce, coconut milk, sweet potato, spinach and rest of squash, Mix well and cook about 10 min until spinach wilts. spoon in bowl and sprinkle with cilantro. Can also pour over brown rice if interested

The fastest way to cut global warming is to cut methane. One quarter of the warming of the planet is due to methane and ¼ of methane emission is from animals we use for food. Beef and dairy cows produce about ½ of the enteric methane emissions. Pigs produce about 40% of the enteric methane emissions.

So what can we do? Eat less meat. Find meals that are plant based.



CHILDREN'S VIRTUAL LITURGY OF THE WORD IS BACK!



Miss Vicky is again hosting our weekly series with teaching about the readings from Scripture, liturgical music, movement, and visuals to help bring the Word of God to life for His children. Join us for this wonderful way to bring the gospel message to our youngest members of the Body of Christ. Special thanks Pflaum Publishing Group for the use of their Children Celebrate resources. Videos go live each Saturday afternoon at 3pm on our YouTube Channel-*Transfiguration Pittsford*

Lent @ Home

Given the many challenges facing today's families, now is the perfect time and home is the perfect place to experience Lent. After all, home is where we rush and rest, where we hope and worry, where we love and forgive. Here are some ideas to try to enrich your celebration of Lent at home:

Lenten Family Mealtime: In addition to "Friday fish day," designate one evening a week to prepare a meal together. Assign a different dish or task to each family member. Before starting, discuss how each family member is giving to the others—giving time, effort, and care to nourish the entire family to go out and do God's will. Begin with a prayer of thanks and petition.

More Ideas can be found on our faith playlist on our website.

Dearest Lord, I hope to be more observant of your grace.
May you look upon my soul and may my sins erase.

May I know of sacrifice and cherish all you bless
and act with courage to assist others who have less.

Prepare my soul for joy to come, and cleanse me of all sin.
I'll wear my faith and do my best to nurture it within.

With a humble heart, I hope to be your
faithful servant
for all to see.



CLUSTERING PRAYER FOR ST. CATHERINE SIENA AND THE CHURCH OF THE TRANSFIGURATION

Father in Heaven,
who brings together new relationships, new opportunities and new challenges as a way to deepen our bond with you, bless the people of the Church of the Transfiguration and Saint Catherine of Siena, to enter joyfully into such experiences as our communities seek
a new chapter in our shared life
of mission and ministry.

We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ,
Who lives and reigns with you and
the Holy Spirit, One God, now and forever.



Faith Formation Update

The March Prayer Playlists are here!

Our parish Lenten theme this year is Everlasting Love. In this season of 40 days we practice the disciplines of Prayer, Fasting, and Almsgiving to draw us ever closer to our loving God. The suggestions below will help you bask in the arms of God, deepen your intimacy in prayer, and make the most of your Lent.

- * For adults: <https://www.transfigurationpittsford.org/adult-playlist-lent--everlasting-love>
- * For teens: <https://www.transfigurationpittsford.org/teen-playlist-living-lent>
- * For children/families: <https://www.transfigurationpittsford.org/family-playlist---journey-of-lent-and-holy-week>

Tri-Parish LENTEN RETREAT Transfiguration-St. Catherine's-St. Louis Please Join Us!

"Praying and Living in a Post-COVID World"

Our experience of this time of pandemic has challenged us profoundly but also brought forward many positive elements as well. It is most important that we reflect on these experiences to recognize God's presence and call through them. Yes, we still feel disconnected and are prone to "COVID fatigue." This retreat will provide an opportunity for us to reflect on those things that will help us reconnect with personal prayer, the liturgy and parish, and renewed life in the community.

**March 9, 2021 | 7pm | Church of the Transfiguration
Fr. Robert Kennedy**

View via LIVE STREAM: www.transfigurationpittsford.org

<i>Liturgy Schedule</i>	13-Mar	14-Mar	14-Mar
	4:30 PM	9:00 AM	11:00 AM
Greeters	Terry & Diane Erdle	Jill Frank	Charlie & Nancy Zinn
Greeters		Ann Smith	
Usher	Mike Lutz	Ray Benza	Mike O'Leary
Usher	Fred Yacoby	Paul Schultz	Tom Brenann
Lector	Diane Yacoby	Larry Filipski	Pat Kehoe
B3	Fr. Mike	Fr. Mike	Fr. Mike



Prayer for Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.
 I love You above all things and I desire to receive You in my soul.
 Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into
 my heart. I embrace You as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to
 You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

Pastoral Council

Members-at-Large: Joey Campagna, Ben Cutter, Rich DiMarco, Sue Gan-
 gemi, Mike Goonan, (Moderator & Trustee), Karl Hamann, Megan Harold,
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New Parishioners

Welcome to our Community of Faith! You may register as
 part of our Community by contacting the Parish Office by
 phone in person or our website. Please introduce yourself
 after Mass to one of the parish staff members.

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50 West Bloomfield Road, Pittsford, New York 14534
Parish Office Phone: 585-248-2427
Email: Transfiguration@dor.org
www.transfigurationpittsford.org

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 hospitalized, or in a nursing home and he or she would ap-
 preciate a visit from the Pastoral Staff, please contact the
 Parish Office. Your assistance will help provide care to all
 our parishioners.

Sacraments

Eucharist: Please check page 2 of this bulletin for Sunday,
 weekday and Holy Day Mass schedules.

Anointing: In any emergency, at anytime, please call
 248-2427 wait for prompt and press 9, or at your conven-
 ience, or after any weekend Mass.

Reconciliation: Saturday 3:30 p.m. or by appointment.

Baptism: Please contact Deacon Eric Bessette @
 ebesset1@rochester.rr.com three months in advance to reg-
 ister for the Baptismal Preparation Program.

Marriage: Please contact Fr. Mike, Deacon Pat or Deacon
 Eric nine months in advance to arrange a tentative date.

Catechumenate: Adults interested in joining the Roman
 Catholic Church, please call the parish office.



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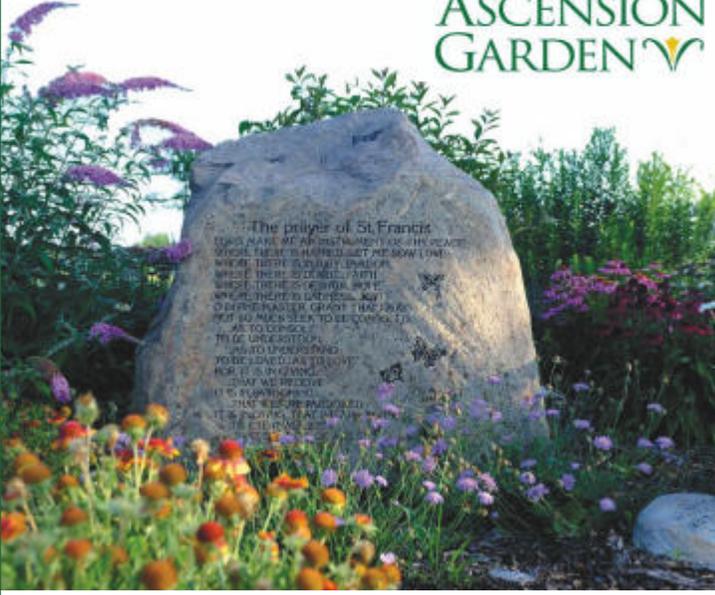


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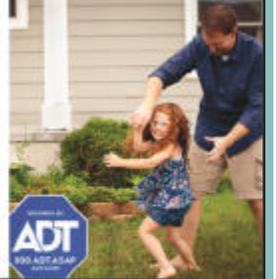


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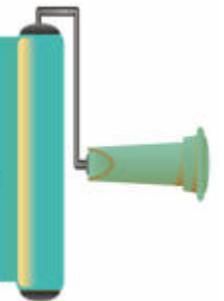
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