

5th Sunday of Lent
March 21, 2021



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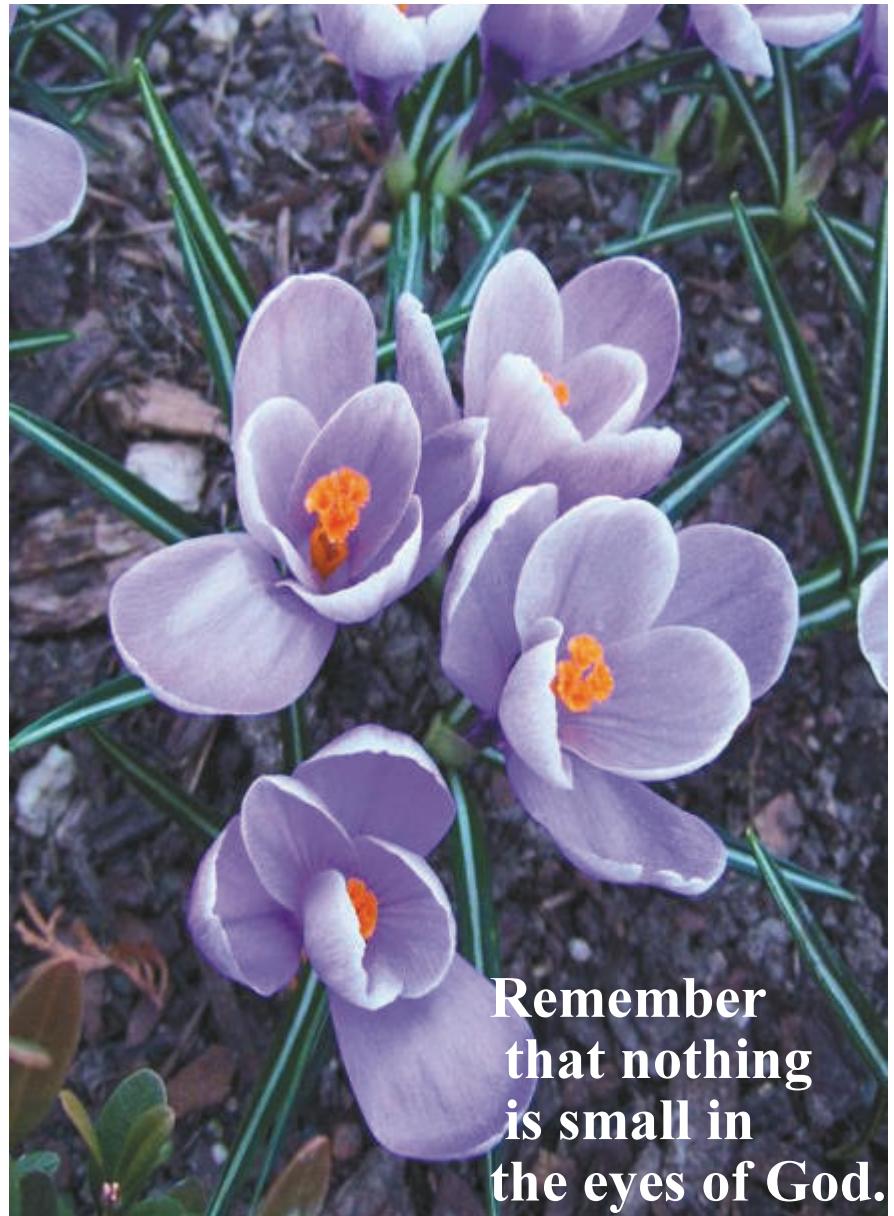
"Lord, How good it is for us to be here..." Matt. 17:4



*Everlasting
Love*



5th Sunday in Lent



**Remember
that nothing
is small in
the eyes of God.**

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

Monday March 22, 2021

*** Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [4ab]/Jn 8:1-11

6:45 am Mass: Jim Scarnati by Alice & Jeff Dmochowski

10:00 am: Chair Yoga—PLC Gym

7:00 pm: Lenten Vespers with Adoration of the
Blessed Sacrament—Church

Tuesday March 23, 2021

*** Nm 21:4-9/Ps 102:2-3, 16-18, 19-21 [2]/Jn 8:21-30

9:00 am Mass: Donna Blasko by Mary, Ed and Ward Blasko

4:30 pm: Catechesis of the Good Shepherd—Ed. Ctr

7:00 to 8:30 pm: Confirmation Year 2—Church

Wednesday, March 24, 2021

*** Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56 [52b]/Jn

8:31-42

6:45 am Mass: Helen Maguire by Carol Balk and Patricia Hill

6:00 pm: Gentle Yoga—PLC Gym

6:45 pm: RCIA—Deacon Eric—PLC Dbl. Room

7:00 to 8:00 pm: Adult Faith Sharing—via Zoom

Thursday, March 25, 2021

*** Is 7:10-14; 8:10/Ps 40:7-8, 8-9, 10, 11 [8a, 9a]/Heb 10:4-10/Lk 1:26-38

6:45 am Mass: Pam Allen by Debbie & Ernie Nalette

1:00 to 3:00 pm: Work of our Hands Knitting—Ed. Ctr.

Friday, March 26, 2021

*** Jer 20:10-13/Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7 [cf. 7]/Jn 10:31-42

Saturday, March 27, 2021

*** Ez 37:21-28/Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13 [cf. 10d]/Jn

11:45-56

4:30 Mass: Peter La Spino by Judy & Charlie Newton

Sunday March 28, 2021

*** Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16/Is 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 [2a]/Phil 2:6-11/Mk 14:1—15:47 or 15:1-39

9:00 am Mass: Terri Schultz by Nancy & Rick Wahl

Also Live Streaming www.transfigurationpittsford.org

11:00 am Mass: Terry Turner by Mike O'Leary



Remember...our 9:00 AM
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Donna Blasko

Dedicated by Mary, Ed & Ward Blasko

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



Memorial Flowers for

Easter

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



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	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Variance</u>
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Last Weekend (3/14/21)	\$12,711	\$10,811	\$1,900
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July 1, 2020 - March 14, 2021	<u>\$725,307</u>	<u>\$730,413</u>	<u>\$(5,106)</u>
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"Lord, how good it is for us to be here..."

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

From the Corner Office

Dear Friends,

A question often asked "What is all the fuss or what is so important about the Easter Triduum or Paschal Triduum?" This week in the mail, you should receive an invitation requesting your presence at the Triduum (Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Vigil/Sunday). These three days are most important days of the Church's liturgical year, (yes – even more important than Christmas) and the three days are actually one continuum of the celebration of our redemption. I hope my reflections today will give you *food for thought* and encourage you to participate in all of the Easter Triduum. As I prepared for this article, I relied on documents and materials provided by the United Catholic Conference Bishops' Committee on the Liturgy.

Beginning with Ash Wednesday, we are preparing for Easter. Please keep in mind Lent does not end on Easter Sunday. Lent ends when the Easter Triduum begins, on Holy Thursday. The Triduum lasts for three days - Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Vigil/Easter Sunday. It is a celebration of the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

On Holy Thursday, we remember the Last Supper, when Jesus gave us the Eucharist... *Then he took the bread, said the blessing, broke it, and gave it to them, saying, "This is my body, which will be given for you; do this in memory of me."* Likewise the cup after they had eaten, saying, *"This cup is the new covenant in my blood, which will be shed for you."* (Luke 22:19-20) At this celebration, we also remember Jesus' example of service, to which we are all called, he washed the feet of his disciples as an example. On Holy Thursday the presider, and other members of the parish, usually wash the feet of all those present who wish to participate. The only Mass celebrated on Holy Thursday is in the evening. Daytime Masses are not scheduled anywhere in our Universal Church, the evening Mass begins the Easter Triduum.

On Good Friday, we remember the passion and death of Jesus Christ. It is a day of fasting and abstinence. The afternoon service, the Solemn Liturgy of Good Friday - the Passion of Christ is proclaimed, we pray for the universal needs of the world and Church, we are given the opportunity to venerate the cross and have the opportunity to share in the Eucharist (which is consecrated on Holy Thursday). In the evening, the Stations of the Cross are prayed. Both the Solemn Liturgy and the Stations of the Cross do end in quiet and darkness as we prepare for the Light of Christ, which will burn again at the Easter Vigil.

Easter Vigil is when we proclaim with fire and song that Jesus Christ has risen. The Vigil Mass is a little longer, but is one of the most amazing Masses of the year - at least in my experience. At the Easter Vigil, we welcome those who have been preparing to enter the Roman Catholic Church.

Easter Sunday is separate from the Triduum, but it is obviously part of the part of our story of redemption. To experience the fullness of the Easter story - the Easter Triduum - the passion, death and resurrection of Jesus, please consider giving yourself the awesome gift of attending the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday, a service on Good Friday and either the Easter Vigil or Easter Sunday Mass.

I hope you can join us physically and in spirit as we celebrate these high holy days of our Catholic faith.

Finally thank you for completing and returning the Mass Survey! Please keep the Clustering Committee in your prayers; they will be meeting Monday, March 22. *May the Lord continue to bless our journey forward!*

Blessings in 2021!

Let us continue to pray for peace in our world!
In peace and courage,

Fr. Mike

>>We are still short \$17,936<<



Transfiguration's Goal
\$203,413

As of Monday, March 15

Pledged \$185,477 (91.2%)

395 Pledges (28%) - Our goal 33.3% participation!
Please make or increase your pledge ASAP. Be mindful you have until May 31 to pay your pledge.

Please make a pledge by going directly to www.dor.org/cma to make or increase your 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!

Arriving at Mass

No Need to Register but Please Check In

In an effort to streamline the Mass registration process, we have eliminated the need to register for Mass on-line. On arrival, please stop at one of the two locations, A-K or L-Z, based on your last name) in the Gathering Area and offer your name to the usher. They will ask for your email if it's not on file to accommodate tracing purposes. Many thanks for your patience as well all work together for a healthy, safe environment in gathering to worship.

Arriving at Mass

The "Greeters" Role

After registering at the door and moving to the church doors, please safely distance while waiting for the greeters to seat you. Their role is to seat people at safe distances from each other, assist at Communion in maintaining safe distance, and to ensure social distancing during dismissal. For safety reasons, please follow their direction.

As these months go by and this has become routine for many, we are pleased that our parish family members are returning for the first time. Everyone's safety is our first priority and we want all to feel welcomed, safe and knowing, "Lord, how good it is for us to be here." Thank you.



**“Save the Date”
Fr. Mike’s Retirement
Celebration
Sunday, June 20, 2021**

Thank You

Dear Parishioners,

Thank you so much for the food you have sent to the Sr. Regis Food Cupboard. Your food donation is a wonderful help as we endeavor to serve God's poor.

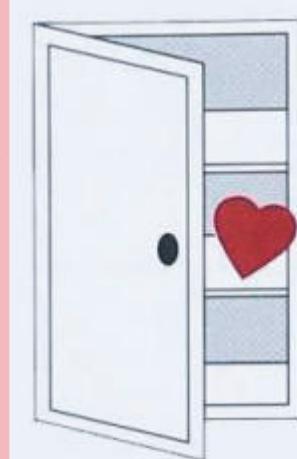
Gratefully,

**Thank You from
St. Andrew’s Food Cupboard**

Dear friends at Transfiguration,

How generous you have been! Many thanks for the wonderful gifts of food you have been sending us at St. Andrew’s. We have found that food is a relief and it is uplifting and hopeful. Many leave our doors with the comfort of knowing that they are carrying the goodness of food. They are looking forward to its preparation and tell us how they will cook it. This just tells us how important our mission is, and we are so glad to have our support and partnership to make it possible.

Sincerely,
Margaret Oberst.



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, a 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.

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! Here is a list of needs.

- ◆ Meal kits that do not require any extra ingredients
- ◆ Pancake and muffin mix that only require water
- ◆ Tabbed open soups and stews and canned pasta meals, ie spaghetti o's
- ◆ Shelf stable milk.
- ◆ Tea and coffee
- ◆ Antibacterial wipes and hand sanitizer
- ◆ Household cleaning supplies and paper products

*Thank you all so much for your
weekly support*



Seek out species of fish that are not overfished. New England fisherman did not reach their quota of Acadian redfish because of lack of market demand. This fish is lean, flaky and moist, perfect in fish tacos.

CHILDREN'S VIRTUAL LITURGY OF THE WORD IS BACK!



Miss Vicki 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*:

Family Kindness and Sharing On slips of paper, write random acts of kindness, such as give a compliment, say hi to an old friend, carry someone's heavy load. Present each family member with a slip of paper as he or she leaves in the morning. Invite each family member to perform the kindness without seeking recognition. Afterward, talk together about what happened. Pray with one another that your kindnesses will be passed on throughout Lent and beyond.

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

VBS is coming back in 2021!

We know you have missed it and we have missed our week of fun in the summer. Gear up for a one-week hike through the wilderness and together we will discover amazing things about

Baptism, Eucharist, Confirmation, Reconciliation,
Anointing of the Sick, Marriage, and Holy Orders.

**Save the Date: July 12-16th
Registration will begin in April 2021.**



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.

AMEN.



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>

Faith-Sharing for Adults:

Monthly Zoom Meeting Wed. Mar. 24, 7PM

Join us for an hour of conversation and community on Zoom as we reflect on this month's online Prayer Playlist: Everlasting Love. Come to connect with fellow adults as we share our Lenten journey. Contact Anne Gallagher at anne.gallagher@dor.org for more info or to receive the Zoom meeting invite

(the Zoom invite is also in our parish weekly email newsletter).

Liturgy Schedule	27-Mar	28-Mar	28-Mar
	4:30 PM	9:00 AM	11:00 AM
Greeters	Mary Blasko	Karl & Diana Hamann	Doug & Lisa Brayer
Greeters	Marcy Bold		
Usher	Jeff Dmochowski	Chip Strowe	Tom Cincebox
Usher	Bobbie Freitag	Pat Vallely	Kevin Cox
Lector	Joe Baldino	Brendan O'Riordan	Karen Rinefierd
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

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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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Parish Office Phone: 585-248-2427
Email: Transfiguration@dor.org
www.transfigurationpittsford.org

Emergency Pastoral Care: 248-2427 wait for prompt and press 9.

Pastoral Care: If you know of someone who is homebound, hospitalized, or in a nursing home and he or she would appreciate 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 convenience, 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 register 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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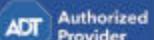
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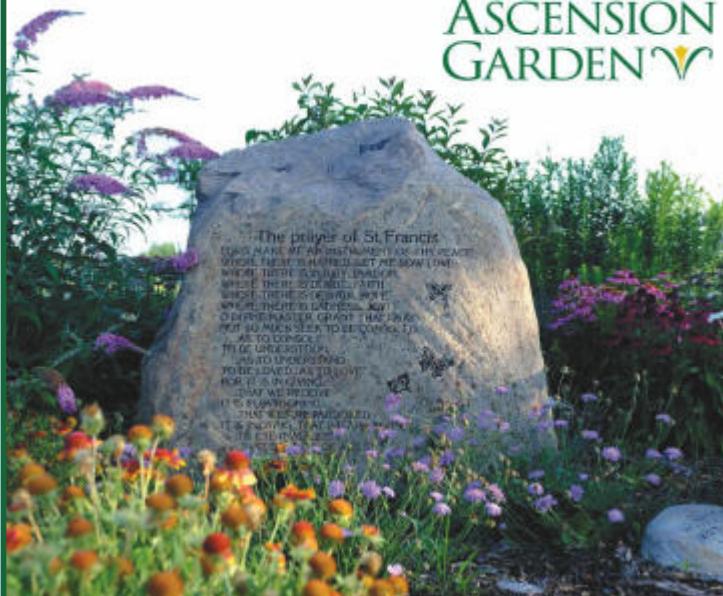
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