

April 25, 2021
4th Sunday of Easter



CHURCH *of the* TRANSFIGURATION

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

Heart



4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

"AT THIS POINT, I HAVE
NOTHING LEFT, BUT I STILL
HAVE MY HEART AND WITH
THAT, I CAN ALWAYS LOVE."

BLESSED CHIARA LUCE BADANO

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

Monday April 26, 2021

*** Acts 11:1-18/Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4 [cf. 3a]/Jn 10:1-10
 6:45 am Mass: Mary Alice Bessette by Margie & Ray Benza
 10:00 am: Chair Yoga- PC Gym

Tuesday April 27, 2021

*** Acts 11:19-26/Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7 [117:1a]/Jn 10:22-30
 9:00 am Mass: Sue Bement by Mary & Ed Blasko
 4:30 pm: Catechesis of the Good Shepherd
 6:00 to 7:00 pm: 1st Communion Rehearsal-Church
 7:00 to 8:30 pm: Senior High Youth Group-Church

Wednesday, April 28, 2021

*** Acts 12:24—13:5a/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6 and 8 [4]/Jn 12:44-50

6:45 am Mass: Shirley Besanceney by Grace & Larry Aiken
 12:30 to 2:00 pm: Grief Share-PLC Dbl. Room
 6:00 pm: Gentle Yoga-PLC Gym
 7:00 to 8:30 pm: Joe Kelly Spring Series- Church

Thursday, April 29, 2021

*** Acts 13:13-25/Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25 and 27 [2]/Jn 13:16-20

6:45 am Mass: Intentions for the Noronha Family
 6:00 to 7:00 pm: 1st Communion Rehearsal-Church

Friday, April 30, 2021

*** Acts 13:26-33/Ps 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11ab [7bc]/Jn 14:1-6
First Holy Communions at all Masses this weekend

Saturday, May 1, 2021

*** Acts 13:44-52/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [3cd]/Jn 14:7-14
 4:30 pm: Charlie McElhinney by Jeanne McElhinney

Sunday May 2, 2021

*** Acts 9:26-31/Ps 22:26-27, 28, 30, 31-32 [26a]/1 Jn 3:18-24/Jn 15:1-8

9:00 am Mass: Pat Hettrich by Ellen, Christine & Pete
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Also Live Streaming www.transfigurationpittsford.org

11:00 am Mass: Nelson Striebich by the Striebich & Howard Families



TEAM 3

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Sanctuary Candles burn
 For all those who have no
 one to pray for them

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 Andrea Telfer
 Dedicated by Suzanne Remington

*Beginning the weekend of
 June 26/27 Mass times will be*

Saturday 4:00 pm
at the Church of the Transfiguration
Saturday 5:30 pm
at St. Catherine of Siena
Sunday 8:45 am
at the Church of the Transfiguration
Sunday 10:45 am
at St. Catherine of Siena



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GIFT OF TREASURE

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Variance</u>
Last Weekend—4/18/21	\$7,022	\$10,811	\$(3,789)
EASTER	\$29,035	\$39,500	\$(10,465)
EFT—4/15/21	\$14,680	\$14,860	\$(180)
July 1, 2020 - April 18, 2021	<u>\$831,562</u>	<u>\$860,767</u>	<u>\$(29,205)</u>

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

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Connor Patrick Kessler



From the Corner Office

Dear Friends,

Jesus Christ is risen – alleluia!

My reflections on getting the vaccine!

I received my vaccine sometime in 1954 or 1955; my brother Bob and I did so as soon as we could after our brother Don almost died. Brothers Tom and Dick were also sick, but not to the degree that Don was stricken. When the vaccine was introduced, many people would not receive it because they were afraid of what it would do to their bodies. It turned out that the vaccine was highly effective resulting in opinions changing quickly. By late 1956, most Americans were vaccinated. I am talking about the polio vaccine (Salk vaccine) that helped save millions of Americans.

This memory comes back to mind when I hear people saying they will not receive a COVID vaccine because they are afraid of what it will do to their body.

I have been lucky enough to have not lost any loved ones during the pandemic. Due to this, sometimes I can forget the wide variety of emotions the vaccine can have on people. I want to share this story based on a reflection from Marilyn, who shared so beautifully why it is important to receive the vaccine and to remember those who came so close, yet were not able to.

Discernment is important as you weigh getting the vaccine. It may not be your life that you save, but maybe someone's father or mother, brother or sister. Let us pray for all those souls who died due to COVID and for peace to all those who grieve.

Marilyn's father died from complications related to COVID in late January - a Sunday morning. Exactly 69 days later, on a Saturday, she received her first dose of vaccine. She knew it would be emotional, but she didn't expect to start crying in line. No one around her thought that was strange. The nurse who gave her the shot was incredibly kind. He took a breath - invited Marilyn to breathe. He invited her to talk him, so she told him about her dad. He eventually looked into her eyes and told her that his father had died of a heart attack not so long ago. He was too young. They sat and shared their emotions.

They sat and Marilyn shared how close her dad was to being able to get the vaccine. They smiled and he asked her how she was going to celebrate his life. She was going to get a cake and he laughed about how many people want their cards to get free donuts.

He shared that he was nervous to volunteer for the vaccine clinic, but that now he's grateful – because of all the stories of relief he heard. It ended up being Marilyn's gentlest injection ever received.

Marilyn will tell you that her grief only increased her desire to be a small part of arresting this virus. COVID complicated every part of her dad's death and continues to complicate her grief. It's not something anyone wants to pass along to anyone.

Like the polio vaccine, none of us can guarantee the vaccines. However, today I hold all those who have died in prayer as well as all the heroic efforts of those working to assist in ending this pandemic. I've chosen to trust the science of the vaccine.

Please keep being careful and wearing your mask, even after your second dose.

Blessings in 2021!

Let us continue to pray for peace in our world!

In peace and courage,

Fr. Mike

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Goal - \$203,413

As of Tuesday, April 20

Pledged \$191,835 (94.3%)

408 Pledges (28.7%) - Our goal 33% 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 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!

**Thank You
From Kentucky**

Dear Fr. Mike and Parishioners,

How overwhelmingly generous you have been to us as we assist families after the flood. Our \$14,185 is amazing! This last week we were able to buy all the big appliances for a family who lost everything. They were deeply touched as she said it was an answer to prayer!

God bless you in your time of transition.

Dear Fr. Mike and Parishioners,

Thanks seems so inadequate for your overwhelming generosity of \$500.00 and \$24,000! It will continue to assist us as we partner with Partnership Housing to get our families back into their homes very soon! It's a long process but you have made it so much easier! You are being brother/sister to us!

Gratefully in the Risen Lord,
Sister Angie and Sister Marge



MERRY MARTHA'S AND MUSCLE

SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT I AM REACHING OUT TO ALL OF YOU.

Here are a few questions that I ask that you ponder.

1. Can I help in this Ministry?
2. Could I spare 1 hour every 5 weeks? Day or Evening
3. Could I ask a friend or family member to help with me?
4. Could I use some quiet reflection time in Church while cleaning God's House?

SOME FACTS ABOUT THE MERRY MARTHA'S AND MUSCLE MINISTRY

Here are a few facts that I ask that you ponder.

1. Volunteers have cleaned the Church proper since day one!
2. This Ministry has saved us thousands of dollars over the years.
3. This Ministry needs some new life.
4. Doing God's work really is rewarding! That is a fact!!!

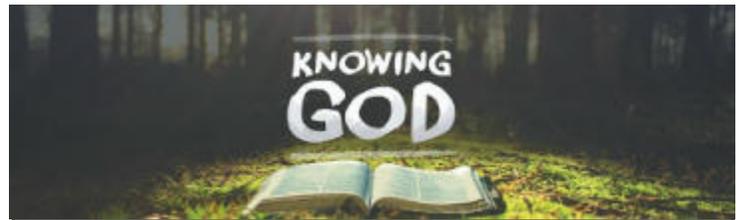
If you are interested in helping out, please call

Rose Volker in the Parish Office or

Gael Garrity at 381-9179



"Save the Date"
**Fr. Mike's Retirement
 Celebration**
Sunday, June 20, 2021
 Details to follow.



Getting to Know You:
Biblical Insights for Developing a
Deeper Relationship with God.

Dr. Joe Kelly—4 Week Series

Wednesdays; 7:00 to 8:30 P.M.

April 28 & May 5, 2021

Church of the Transfiguration

As we Catholics continue to practice our Christian faith, many of us long to find ways that will allow us to develop an even deeper and more intimate relationship with our Triune God.

This 4 Week Series will explore many of the biblical insights from both the Hebrew and Christian scriptures that might be of assistance to us in this search.

We will give special emphasis to the idea of "knowing" God and the value of silence in this journey. We will also consider the example of some of the men and women who have found success in this undertaking.

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



Check out the PBS shows by Sir David Attenborough. He is a world-famous British broadcaster who has developed programs about the environment and climate warming. The latest show, just broadcast March 31st, is entitled Extinction. See his earlier broadcasts as well.

**EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP
RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS**

Confidence in Princes

Have you ever confided your problems to a friend, only to get the answer, “have you prayed about it as much as you’ve talked about it?”

Like all good advice, it can really irritate the recipient at first. Here I am, vulnerable and wounded, unloading my problems, and this joker tries to load them right back up and ship them off to Someone with a higher pay grade.

But again, like all good and irritating advice, it rings true if you sit and think about it.

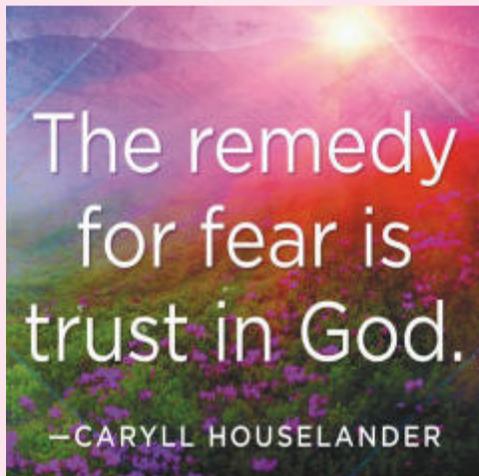
Sure, venting is helpful. We all need that friend or family member who can listen to our problems. But if we ever start to think that person can solve them, it’s a good sign that we’re losing perspective.

Are you looking to the world for an answer? Are you looking in the mirror, expecting to find a solution to your problems? Are you expecting happiness, peace, contentment or justice to come from any place other than God?

“It is better to take refuge in the Lord than to put confidence in princes,” the Psalms tell us. Well, I’ve never put much confidence in princes. But when it comes to problems, I often find myself telling God to take a step back – “I’ve got this.”

It’s tough to pray about any problem as much as you talk about it. We want so badly to tackle the issue ourselves. But I’ll let you in on a secret: it doesn’t matter what the question is, we don’t have the answer. Take it to the One who does.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS
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Faith Formation Update

The April Prayer Playlists are here! This year, more than ever, we need to embrace the hope of Easter and the new life it brings. The suggestions below will help you pray with the JOY of Easter and live in the light of Jesus’ Resurrection.

* Adult Playlist Easter: Being a Resurrection People

<https://www.transfigurationpittsford.org/adult-playlist-easter--being-a-resurrection-people>

* Teen Playlist: Easter—New Life

<https://www.transfigurationpittsford.org/teen-playlist-easter---new-life>

* Family Playlist: Go out and Share

<https://www.transfigurationpittsford.org/family-playlist---go-out-and-share>

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.



<i>Liturgy Schedule</i>	May 1	May 2	May 2
	4:30 PM	9:00 AM	11:00 AM
Greeters	Mike Goonan	Diana & Karl Hamann	Nancy Vlosky
Greeters	Pat Roman		Suzie Zuniga
Usher	Jeff Dmochowski	Larry Filipski	Tom Cincebox
Usher	Darrell Hearne	Tim Seeler	Kevin Cox
Lector	Dave Pritchard	Devon VanVechten	Jim Wright
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.

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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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 hospitalized, or in a nursing home and he or she would ap-
 preciate a visit from the Pastoral Staff, please contact the
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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
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 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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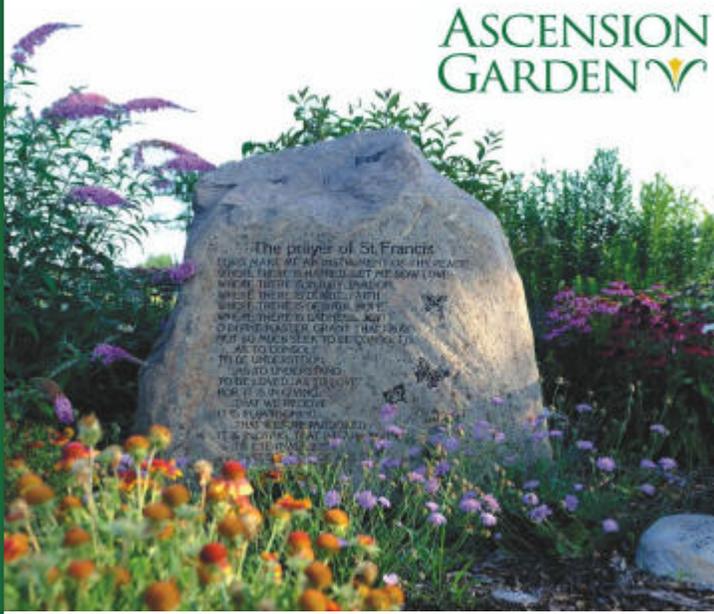
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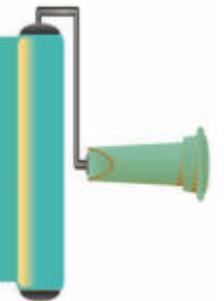
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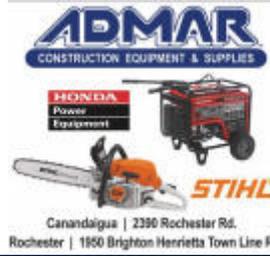
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