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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 p.m.

Sunday: 8:00 and 10:00 a.m.

Monday to Wednesday and Friday: 8:00 a.m.

Holy Day Vigil: 6:30 p.m.

Holy Day: 8:00 a.m.

Holiday: 8:00 a.m.

CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 3:15 to 3:40 p.m.

PARISH OFFICE

Summer Hours: Monday to Friday - 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

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MISSION STATEMENT

In a spirit of oneness, we, the members of Transfiguration Parish, a Roman Catholic community, are called to serve God through his Son, Jesus Christ, with the guidance of the Holy Spirit. We dedicate ourselves to the transformation of our lives and society through worship, evangelization, love of neighbor, and ministry to those in need.

BAPTISMS

Call the Parish Office to schedule.

WEDDINGS

Ordinarily, arrangements must be made six months in advance, according to diocesan policy. Consult clergy. Pre-marriage classes must be attended.

COMMUNION CALLS

Please call the Parish Office if you or anyone you know would like the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick, Confession, or Communion.

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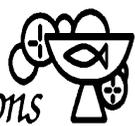
PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION (PSR)

Held on Sunday mornings from 9:00 to 9:45 a.m. in the school building. Required for all children in Grades 1-8 attending public school. Call the Parish Office with any questions or for more information.

NEW PARISHIONERS

Please stop in the Parish Office during office hours to register. Non-registered Catholics cannot be given any certification for marriage or sponsorship for sacraments. Usually, regular use of contribution envelopes is required as evidence of church membership.

Mass Intentions for the Week



- Saturday, August 31**
4:00 p.m. Family for †JOHN & †MARY DVOROZNAK
- Sunday, September 1 22nd Sun. in Ordinary Time**
8:00 a.m. Wasserbauer Family for Health & God's Blessings on MAKAYLA STAHL
10:00 a.m. Robert & Nancy Behrens for †STEVE BIROS, JR.
- Monday, September 2 Labor Day**
8:00 a.m. Classmate for Health & God's Blessings on RON & MARILYN KULIKOWSKI
- Tuesday, September 3 St. Gregory the Great**
8:00 a.m. For †WILLIAM J. & †MARY J. BARRETT
- Wednesday, September 4**
8:00 a.m. Family for †RUTH ISTOK
- Thursday, September 5**
8:00 a.m. No Morning Mass
- Friday, September 6 First Friday**
8:00 a.m. Carol Voytek for †LECKY & †VOYTEK FAMILIES
- Saturday, September 7**
4:00 p.m. Mike Svajhart for †BENEDICT, †KATHARINA & †URBAN NIEBERT
- Sunday, September 8 23rd Sun. in Ordinary Time**
8:00 a.m. Family for †MARGARET SPONSLER (Anniv.)
10:00 a.m. Liegl Family for †BARBARA LIEGL

Sponsors of the Sanctuary Lamp Candles for the Week of Sept. 1st: 1 candle for Celebrating Labor Day and the Contributions Workers Have Made to the Strength, Prosperity, and Wellbeing of Our Country from Patricia H.; 1 candle for Health and Blessings on Baby Maddy from John and Theresa Satanek; and 1 candle for †Janet Readinger—Rest in Peace—from Husband, Dick. Thank you.

Scripture Readings for the Week:

- Mon., Sept. 2nd: 1 Thes 4:13-18/Ps 96:1 and 3, 4-5, 11-12, 13 [13b]/Lk 4:16-30
Tues., Sept. 3rd: 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 [13]/Lk 4:31-37
Wed., Sept. 4th: Col 1:1-8/Ps 52:10, 11 [10]/Lk 4:38-44
Thurs., Sept. 5th: Col 1:9-14/Ps 98:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6 [2]/Lk 5:1-11
Fri., Sept. 6th: Col 1:15-20/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5 [2b]/Lk 5:33-39

Collection for last weekend was \$3,901. God bless all for your support. All donations are appreciated.



Labor Day Mass: Please note that Mass on Labor Day, Mon., Sept. 2nd, will be at **8:00 a.m.** Also, the Parish Office will be closed in observance of this legal holiday.

32nd Annual Lakewood Community Festival will be held next Sat., Sept. 7th, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Madison Park at 13029 Madison Ave. This event will be held rain or shine. The festival celebrates community, cultural heritage, and families. It is a day of fun and activities for everyone. There will be entertainment, nationality foods, craft and game booths, bounce houses, children's games, and much more. Admission is **free**. Transfiguration Parish will participate by having a food booth at the festival. Volunteers will be needed for various duties. If you would like to volunteer, please call the Parish Office at 216-521-7288.

In Memoriam: Our sympathy is extended to the family and friends of Richard Badaszewski, 87, who died August 22nd. May our Lord grant him eternal rest.

Wedding  Banns

I Philip Beitel & Brittany Baeslack

Masses: Please call the Parish Office at 216-521-7288 on Monday to Friday between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. to schedule Masses for the birthday or anniversary of your living or deceased loved ones or for the intentions of the sick or special intentions. Mass stipends are \$10 each.

Readers

- Saturday, September 7**
4:00 p.m. Sr. Cheryl Keehner
Sunday, September 8
8:00 a.m. Laure Wasserbauer
10:00 a.m. Casey Cudnik

Eucharistic Ministers

- Saturday, September 7**
4:00 p.m. Terry Hudec, Joyce Klotzbach & Peg Liegl
Sunday, September 8
8:00 a.m. Anne & Larry Davalla & Art Thomas
10:00 a.m. Pat Cudnik

Altar Servers

- Saturday, September 7**
4:00 p.m. Pat Liegl
Sunday, September 8
8:00 a.m. Joe Wasserbauer
10:00 a.m.

Fr. Ted's Corner . . . Next weekend, at all of our parish weekend Masses, we will once again celebrate the anniversary of the dedication of our parish church—which was dedicated on September 7th, 1931. As I have done in previous years, and as we prepare to celebrate this special occasion once again, I share a quote from a book by Thomas Simons entitled, *Holy People, Holy Place: Rites for the Church's House . . . The celebration of the anniversary of the dedication of the parish church building is an often forgotten opportunity to celebrate the life of the local church and re-emphasize the importance of the gathering place for God's holy people. It is an occasion in which sacred identity and local history become tangible. The continuity of the faith from generation to generation is celebrated.* And so that is what I hope we will do together next weekend—celebrate this gathering place for God's holy people; celebrating who we have been, who we are, and who we are called to be; celebrating that faith and worship that has continued in this holy place for many generations.

I am aware that the celebration of these special occasions (a number of them throughout the year) may lengthen the time we are together for our weekend Mass. I hope that that never discourages anyone from attending and participating in these celebrations. A couple of weeks ago we had the joy of celebrating the Baptism of Ava Catherine Argoso and the First Communion of her older brother Ethan Michael. What a joy to be able to celebrate together these very special events and opportunities in our community of faith, our parish family—not only for those who receive those sacraments but also for all of us as opportunities to remember and to recommit ourselves to living out those sacraments a little bit better in our daily lives. I am aware that some, when hearing that such occasions will be celebrated, will avoid them because they “make the Mass too long.” I suppose that you must realize by now that my perspective is that we never spend “too much time” in prayer and praise at Mass each weekend. God gives us hours and days and years, and to give back to that generous God an hour—or a little more—each week in thanksgiving for such gifts is never “too much time”—nor is there (I believe) anything of more importance or of greater value on which to spend my (our) time. (I know that there are some who might disagree with me on this.) Yet still I hope that we will gladly join together and be together next weekend and that our celebration will once again make us mindful that we not only celebrate the dedication of this house of God, but also celebrate ourselves and the rededication of our lives—each of us and all of us in this community of faith. For the prayers we will use next weekend remind us that God's presence in this house of prayer makes it a place of blessing, a place where God gives us every grace so that we might continue to build and to be the temple where God is always found—“*creating its beauty from the holiness of our lives.*”

Have a good Labor Day holiday . . . and don't forget to join us for the Annual Lakewood Community Festival at Madison Park next weekend—Saturday, September 7th, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Stop by the parish booth and have something good to eat—and enjoy the many other treats and offerings which this special yearly gathering provides! And, finally, have a blessed week—filled with blessings of peace and everything good!

3rd Annual Lakewood Cluster Parish Picnic will be held on Sun., Sept. 15th, from 1-5 p.m. on the grounds of our parish school, Lakewood Catholic Academy. Join us for food, games, raffles, and fun for all ages, while meeting parishioners from the Lakewood cluster parishes. Hamburgers, hot dogs, pretzels, chips, and drinks will be provided. Please bring a dish to share. Parishioners with last names beginning with the following letters are asked to bring the food item indicated:

A through I - Salad
 J through P - Side Dish
 Q through Z - Dessert

We will be outside, so please limit your selection to one that doesn't need to be heated or refrigerated. Tables and chairs will be available, but feel free to bring a blanket or your favorite lawn chair. **Save the date and plan to come!**

Slovak Festival sponsored by the Cleveland Slovak Radio Club will be held this Sun., Sept. 1st, from noon to 8 p.m. in the St. Anthony of Padua Church Hall at 6750 State Rd. in Parma. Enjoy Slovak food, beer (pivo), pastries, and dancing. Music will be provided by the Anthony Culkar Band, the Mike Wojtila Band, and Ralph Szubski. There will be a balloon twister and a magician and face painting, too. Tickets are \$5 at the door. Call Karin Scally at 440-213-8552 for more information. Hope to see you there!

16th Annual Adult Retreat sponsored by the four parishes in our cluster will take place on **Wed., Sept. 25th, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.** at St. Clement Church and Hall at 14401 Madison Ave. in Lakewood. Our speaker will be Fr. Stephen Hayes, O.P. The day will include the Liturgy of the Eucharist with a hot catered lunch following. The cost is \$12 per person. Registration forms are at all of the church entrances and at the Parish Office. Please return your registration form and \$12 fee to the Parish Office in an envelope marked “2019 Adult Retreat” no later than Fri., Sept. 20th. All adults are welcome! If you have any questions, please call the Parish Office at 216-521-7288. Hope to see you there!

Candles: The large red and blue globe candle inserts are \$4 each (available in the sacristy). The small votive candles are 25 cents each.



- Mon., Sept. 2 **Labor Day—Parish Office Closed**
- Sat., Sept. 7 **32nd Annual Lakewood Community Festival**, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. (rain or shine), Madison Park, 13029 Madison Ave.
- Sat., Sept. 7 **Confessions**, 3:15-3:40 p.m., church

TRANSFIGURATION PARISH



Scripture Verse: “Rather, when you hold a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind; blessed indeed will you be because of their inability to repay you. For you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous.”—Lk 14:13-14

Family Perspective: “Those who humble themselves will be exalted.” Family life confirms the words of Jesus in today’s Gospel. Commitment, intimacy, loyalty, and love are the rewards of humble service and care for one another. Pope Francis reminds us that “no family drops down from heaven perfectly formed.”

50/50: The August winner was Bill Welsh who won \$120. Only \$5 per 50/50 envelope makes you eligible for half of the money collected during the month of September through the 50/50 envelopes. There is a 50/50 envelope in your packet of envelopes each month, and there are extra envelopes by the church doors.



Community Food Pantry: We continue to collect the following non-perishable food items: canned goods, such as soups, broth, pasta sauce, vegetables, fruit, fish, and meats; boxed dry goods, such as cereal, pasta, beans, macaroni and cheese, and crackers; peanut butter (18-28 oz. size); and jelly or jam. **At this time, we are especially in need of canned vegetables and tuna.** Please check the expiration dates on the food items you donate, and please no glass items due to possible breakage. The designated container for your donations is located at the west entrance of the church. Cash donations are accepted, too, if you are unable to shop for needed items. Cash donations can be dropped in the collection basket. We do not accept clothing donations. The Community Food Pantry is located in the lower level of the Rectory. The next distribution will be held on Wed., Sept. 25th, from 10 a.m. to noon. The volunteers scheduled are Sharon Bukszar and Marilyn Rudnick.

50-Year Reunion: The St. Augustine Academy Class of 1969 will celebrate its 50-year reunion the weekend of October 11th. There will be a meet and greet on Friday at Two Bucks in North Olmsted from 5-11 p.m. Saturday’s festivities commence at 5:30 p.m. with a tour of the school (now Lakewood Catholic Academy) at 14808 Lake Ave. in Lakewood, Mass in the chapel, and dinner with plenty of time to catch up. The cost is \$50 per person. Contact Alice at petrulis@ameritech.net or Holly at EEDN4972@aol.com for reservations and more details.

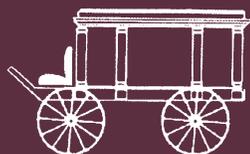
10th Annual European Festival will be held on Sat., Sept. 7th, from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. at St. Mary Magdalene Byzantine Catholic Church at 5390 W. 220th St. in Fairview Park. Come celebrate a decade of fun, food, and entertainment.

Respect Life: You are cordially invited to a birthday celebration in honor of Mary, the Mother of Jesus, next Sun., Sept. 8th, at 7 p.m. at St. Clement Church in Lakewood. The Rosary will be offered up in the cause of life followed by birthday cake and a wide variety of party foods. This year's celebration brings us Trapper Jack who made a name for himself as a family-friendly morning radio host for 30+ years. A master storyteller, he exposes the awe-inspiring ways that God communicates with the Church, the world, and with us individually. Trapper is legally blind and insists that his blindness led him to a deep relationship with God. His mission now is to share his story and to help others share their relationship with Jesus. His talk is entitled, "How Mary Converted Me to Pro-Life." All is free. Please call 216-312-2511 with any questions.

Catholic Cemeteries Association Monthly Grief Support Group: Please join us for an hour of learning and healing along your grief journey. Our Grief Support leaders are certified as Ministers of Consolation by the National Catholic Ministry to the Bereaved, Inc. Our Catholic-based support group meetings are informal and do not build upon each other so you can drop in any month and fit right in. The next Support Group will meet on Sun., Sept. 15th, at 3 p.m. at the Holy Cross Cemetery Office in Brook Park and in the temporary trailer office at St. Joseph Cemetery in Avon. The topic for September will be "Survivor's Guilt and the What Ifs." No registration is required. Just come and join us. Please call Rhonda at 216-930-4866 for more information.

Catholic Family Day: Plan to join the Cleveland Indians for Mass and a ball game on Sun., Sept. 22nd, for Catholic Family Day at Progressive Field. The pre-game Catholic Mass will be at 10:15 a.m. in the ballpark with Fr. Bob Stec as the presider. The Cleveland Indians will play the Philadelphia Phillies at 1:10 p.m. To order tickets starting at \$18 (upper reserved), go online to <https://www.mlb.com/indians/tickets/specials/catholic-family-day> and enter the password, "Catholic." The deadline to purchase tickets is Thurs., Sept. 19th. Contact Jackie Plys, the Cleveland Indians representative, by phone at 216-420-4162 or by e-mail at jplys@indians.com with any questions.

40 Days for Life: From Wed., Sept. 25th, through Sun., Nov. 3rd, you are invited to join other Christians for 40 Days for Life—40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. You are also invited to stand and peacefully pray anytime between 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. during the 40-day vigil in the public right-of-way outside Preterm at 12000 Shaker Blvd. in Cleveland, Planned Parenthood at 25350 Rockside Rd. in Bedford Hts., or Family Planning at 54 South State St. in Painesville. Join us at the Kickoff Rally on Tues., Sept. 24th, at 7 p.m. at Our Lady of Lourdes Shrine in Euclid with Jim Hogan as the keynote speaker. For more information, call John Noall at 216-245-9744.



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