



# Transfiguration Parish

**“Lord, It is wonderful  
for us to be here...”**

**—Matthew 17:4**

*Stick together. Love each other, and together: look to Jesus in prayer.*



## **Parish Mission Statement**

We are people *called* to build a Catholic Faith Community by *seeking* Christ and *sharing* His Gospel through Prayer, Education, Service and Social Activities.



DIVINE WORD MISSIONARIES FOSTER VIBRANT CATHOLIC COMMUNITIES OF FAITH AND SERVICE AROUND THE WORLD WHILE EMPOWERING PEOPLE TO LIVE A LIFE OF QUALITY AND DIGNITY. YOUR PRAYERS AND SUPPORT GIVE US THE STRENGTH TO CONTINUE THIS WORK.

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HORARIO DE MISAS

GODZINY MSZY ŚW.

### SUNDAY LITURGIES

Saturday: —5:00pm (*English*)

—6:30pm (*Español*)

Sunday: —7:30am (*English*)

—9:00am (*English*)

—11:00am (*English*)

—12:30pm (*Po Polsku*)

### WEEKDAY LITURGIES

8:00am (*English*) Mo, Tue, Th, Fri, Sat

\* Wednesday at 9:00am (school months only)

### HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

Mass of Anticipation:

—7:00pm (*Español*)

Holy Day:

—8:00am (*English*)

—10:00am (*English*)

(school months only)

—6:30pm (*English*)

—8:00pm (*Po Polsku*)

### Memorial Day & Thanksgiving

—9:00am (*English*)

### School Masses (school months only)

Wednesday at 9:00am (Elementary School) — Friday at 2:00pm (Middle School)

## READINGS & MASS INTENTIONS OF THE WEEK

INTENCIONES Y LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

MSZE ŚW. W TYGODNIU

Monday, August 20—St. Bernard, Abbot ✕ Ez 24:15-24 / Mt 19:16-22

8:00 am School of Religion

Tuesday, August 21—St. Pius X, Pope ✕ Ez 28:1-10 / Mt 19:23-30

8:00 am †Robert Koehler / School of Religion

Wednesday, August 22—Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

✕ Ez 34:1-11 / Mt 20:1-16

8:00 am †The Souls in Purgatory / School of Religion

Frassati students, faculty & their families

Thursday, August 23—Weekday ✕ Ez 36:23-28 / Mt 22:1-14

8:00 am School of Religion

Friday, August 24—St. Bartholomew, Apostle

✕ Rv 21:9b-14 / Jn 1:45-51

8:00 am School of Religion / Frassati students, faculty & their families

Saturday, August 25—Weekday ✕ Ez 43:1-7a / Mt 23:1-12

8:00 am The Homeless and the Hungry

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

✕ Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b / Eph 5:21-32 / Jn 6:60-69

5:00 pm †Joseph E. Gorski / Mike Keefe

6:30 pm Por Todos Aquellos en el Servicio Militar

7:30 am †Theresa Solimini / †Charlette M. Weber /

The People of Our Parish

9:00 am †Helen A. Lucas / School of Religion

11:00 am Vera & Bill Foley (70th Wedding Anniversary)

12:30 pm †John Samborski / †Szczepan Korytkowski

## Prayer List for the sick

*OREMOS POR LOS ENFERMOS*

*MODLITWA ZA CHORYCH*

▪ Leonardo Alaniz ▪ Beth & Tim Armstrong ▪ Familia Bautista ▪ Candy Bergeron ▪ Baby Bentley Bernota ▪ Dick Bolger ▪ Charles Buntentbach ▪ Carol Calcitrai ▪ Bryan Calhoun ▪ Roberto Campa ▪ Maria Mireya Cervantes ▪ Peggy & Tony Chrusciel ▪ Arnulfo Cortes ▪ Celia Cortes ▪ Constance Cotsiomititis ▪ Patsy Daniels ▪ Peter Davis ▪ Margaret Dehne ▪ Mary C. Dennehy ▪ Ann Dunk ▪ Sheila Dunn ▪ Phyllis Finnegan ▪ Bill Foley ▪ Vera Foley ▪ Helen Fritz ▪ Jose Francisco Garcia ▪ Rose Gilligan ▪ Janie Glaser ▪ Anne Guzi ▪ Christian Henke ▪ Crystal Hoff ▪ Desiree Hoff ▪ Dorothy Hoff ▪ Glenna Holcomb ▪ Helen Jakubek ▪ John James Kapcia ▪ Linda Korona ▪ Michael Krolczyk ▪ Donna Lesczynski ▪ Susan Liberio ▪ Leslie Mahn ▪ Jenna Mahoney ▪ Deann Meagher ▪ Ed McGinty ▪ Enrique Moreno ▪ James Murphy ▪ Ron Murphy ▪ Lynn Napoli ▪ Pablo Paniagua ▪ Georgia Pastirik ▪ Dc. Feliks Pezowicz ▪ Baby Joseph Pimentel ▪ Rae Poklenkowski ▪ Cathy Polnau ▪ Ponthieux & Sicotte Families ▪ Sharon Powderly ▪ Dorothy Race ▪ Audrey Raclaw ▪ LaVerne Richards ▪ Jim, Sue & Ron Rosaves ▪ James Rubino Sr. ▪ Mary Ann Rubino ▪ Sylvia Rosaves Russell ▪ Maria Elena Sajuan ▪ Char Schafer ▪ Gary Scherer ▪ Ken Scherer ▪ Sandy Schraml ▪ Mary Schuman ▪ Stacy Scott ▪ Segovia Rivera Family ▪ Lou Speciale ▪ Ed & Jan Stepek ▪ Marge Thompson ▪ Peter Tortorice ▪ Daisy Walters ▪ Paul Wasno ▪ Alba Wolk ▪ Eileen Wood ▪ Dee Zimmermann & Family ▪ Rick Zimmermann ▪ All in Service to our Country and for all who are in detention centers.

## Pray for the Newly Baptized

*RECIEN BAUTIZADOS*

**Let's welcome the newly baptized to our parish!**

AUGUST 12 2018

**XIMENA GALVAN**  
Daughter of Hugo and Ana

**ISMAEL GARCIA**  
Son of Martin and Erika

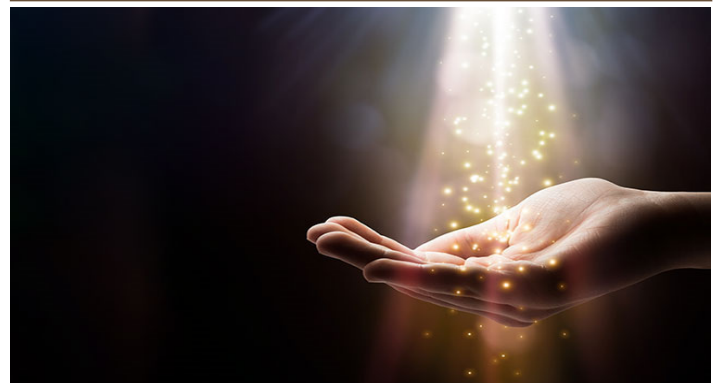
**DANIEL A. LOPEZ**  
Son of Saul and Virginia

**DAVID LOPEZ**  
Son of Saul and Virginia

**SAUL I. LOPEZ**  
Son of Saul and Virginia

**You are now God's children...**

1John 3:1



## Pray for the Faithful Departed

*OREMOS POR LOS DIFUNTOS*

**"Come, you who are blessed by my father, says the Lord, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world."**

**Keith Francke,  
Samuel Landis**

**Eternal Rest Grant Unto Them, O Lord.**

**And Let Perpetual Light Shine Upon Them.**

**May their souls and the souls of the faithful departed, rest in peace.**

AMEN



**TWENTIETH SUNDAY  
IN ORDINARY TIME  
LITURGY OF THE WORD**

**READING I — PRV 9:1-16**

Wisdom has built her house, she has set up her seven columns; she has dressed her meat, mixed her wine, yes, she has spread her table. She has sent out her maidens; she calls from the heights out over the city: "Let whoever is simple turn in here; To the one who lacks understanding, she says, Come, eat of my food, and drink of the wine I have mixed! Forsake foolishness that you may live; advance in the way of understanding."

**PSALM No. 34: Taste and See**

**READING II — EPH 5:15-20**

Brothers and sisters: Watch carefully how you live, not as foolish persons but as wise, making the most of the opportunity, because the days are evil. Therefore, do not continue in ignorance, but try to understand what is the will of the Lord. And do not get drunk on wine, in which lies debauchery, but be filled with the Spirit, addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and playing to the Lord in your hearts, giving thanks always and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to God the Father.

**GOSPEL**

—JN 6:51-58

Jesus said to the crowds: "I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world." The Jews quarreled among themselves, saying, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" Jesus said to them, "Amen, amen, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you do not have life within you. Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him on the last day. For my flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink. Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him. Just as the living Father sent me and I have life because of the Father, so also the one who feeds on me will have life because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven. Unlike your ancestors who ate and still died, whoever eats this bread will live forever."

**SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS**

**General Intention**

- 5:00 pm** — †Pesz & Davis Families  
†Jay F. Brooks  
(12th Anniversary of Passing)
- 6:30 pm** — The People of Our Parish
- 7:30 am** — †Frank Lahrman  
†Keith Francke
- 9:00 am** — †Angela Underberg
- 11:00 am** — Addison Dempsey  
†Lou & Theresa Solimini  
†William & Celia Deuerling  
(Anniversary of Death)
- 12:30 pm** — Josette & Feliks Pezowicz  
(50th Wedding Anniversary)  
†Frank & Barbara Galecki



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**Stick together. Love each other, and together: Look to Jesus in Prayer.**

## **WHERE EUCHARISTIC BELIEF IS DEEPLY ROOTED, FAITH FLOURISHES.**

How can this man give us his flesh to eat? This question shows the amazing lack of faith found among some of Jesus' followers. Their first mistake was to refer to him as a man instead of the Son of God. They wonder how he can become food for them, but many of them have seen his mighty deeds. In this very same chapter of John's Gospel, Jesus has been seen walking on water and feeding thousands with five loaves and two fish. Clearly, he can do all things, including taking bread and wine and offering it as his own flesh and blood.

The Eucharist draws countless people to Mass, to adoration and to the Catholic Church every day. Sadly, where there is light there are also shadows. Many people who have left the Catholic Church cite one of the reasons being that they no longer believe what the Catholic Church teaches about the Real Presence of Jesus in the Most Blessed Sacrament. Statistics are alarming, but where Eucharistic faith is diminished, Mass attendance dwindles. Where Eucharistic belief is deeply rooted, faith flourishes.

It is our job – we who believe – to reawaken the Eucharistic faith of fellow believers and to go out and announce it to those who do not know that Jesus is the true bread sent from heaven. Why? Jesus answered that question for us –

Unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you do not have life within you. We want to go to heaven. We want everyone to go to heaven. Jesus has made the Eucharist a vital and necessary means by which we obtain eternal life.

The first reading from Proverbs tells us to forsake foolishness. And Paul tells the Ephesians, watch carefully how you live, not as foolish persons but as wise. Where some believe it foolish to believe in God, in God's Son or in the Eucharist, for the person of faith who is open to the Word – it would be foolish not to believe. The world tells us this is myth, we say "no, it is mystery."

Those who wish to live forever would do well to acknowledge the truth of Jesus' words, and to eat his flesh and drink his blood, and to do so worthily. Then, we will have life because of him. Sadly, when children stop believing in Santa, the Easter Bunny and the Tooth Fairy, it would be all too easy for them to believe Jesus and the Eucharist to also be fairy tales. Again the question, how can this man give us his flesh to eat? The answer is simple yet profound – because he is God, because God is good, and because God is love.

## **THE HEART OF THE MATTER: TIME FOR REFLECTION AND SPIRITUAL GROWTH**

1. What made this particular Mass meaningful for you?
2. What did your experience of this Mass teach you about the importance of the Eucharist for our lives as Catholics and for your own life?
3. What does the Eucharist mean to you?
4. Why does Jesus give himself to us as food and drink?

**“WHOEVER EATS MY FLESH AND DRINKS MY BLOOD REMAINS IN ME AND I IN HIM”**

**This Week at Transfiguration**

CALENDARIO SEMANAL

KALENDARZ TYGODNIOWY

**Sunday, August 19**

8:00 am AA Meeting (closed)—YH  
 2:30 pm English Baptisms—CH

**Monday, August 20**

6:30 am Journeymen Prayer Group—MR1  
 8:30 am Confessions—CH  
 6:00 pm LOTW Faith Sharing—Sp. Min. Ofc  
 7:00 pm Spanish Prayer Group—CH  
 7:00 pm RCIA (Precat) - MR1

**Tuesday, August 21**

8:30 am Confessions—CH  
 7:30 pm AA Meeting (closed) - YH

**Wednesday, August 22**

8:00 am FCA Professional Development—Pollone  
 3:30 pm FCA G5VB Practice—PLC  
 5:30 pm SOR English/Spanish Open House—Atrium  
 6:30 pm Spanish Ministry—Sp. Min. Ofc.  
 6:30 pm Confessions (E/S/P)—CH  
 7:00 pm Holy Hour—CH

**Thursday, August 23**

8:30 am Confessions—CH  
 6:00 pm Weight Watchers—MR1,2  
 6:00 pm Rosary Making—Sp. Min. Ofc  
 7:00 pm Choir & Cantor Rehearsal—CH

**Friday, August 24**

3:30 pm FCA G5VB Practice—PLC  
 6:00 pm Mandolin & Guitar Rehearsal—CH  
 7:00 pm Coro Hispano—CH

**Saturday, August 25**

8:30 am Confessions—CH  
 2:00 pm Sacramental Prep-Baptismal (Spa)—MR3  
 2:30 pm Wedding: Garcia & Garcia—CH  
 5:00 pm SOR English/Spanish Open House—Atrium  
 8:30 pm Adoration (Spanish men)—CH

All announcements must be submitted to the bulletin for publication 10 days prior to the bulletin date.

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Please submit requests to speak at Mass one month in advance. All requests will be approved by the Pastor.

**Parish Announcements**

ANNUNCIOS PARROQUIALES

OGŁOSZENIA PARAFIALNE

**1. WE'RE LOOKING FOR SPONSOR'S**

Our "Hometown Wauconda Fall Fest" is our parish's only fundraiser. A fantastic way to support your parish and get your name or your company name front and center on a banner, is to be a sponsor for the adult beverage tent. Eight to ten, \$100 sponsors will reduce cost and generate much needed profit. Please contact Camie Kwasigroch at [ckwas@transfigurationwauconda.com](mailto:ckwas@transfigurationwauconda.com) or the parish office at 847-526-2400 x234 to become a sponsor. Thank you in advance for your support!

**2. ADULT CHOIR**

Do you know that when you sing, you are praying twice? We encourage you to share your voice and join our Sunday morning adult choir. No special skills are required. Rehearsals are on Thursdays at 7pm in the church. We will have news about the formation of the children's choir for you soon.

**3. NEW PARISH WEBSITE**

We are excited to announce that Transfiguration Parish has launched the updated website. Please be sure to visit our site at: [www.transfigurationwauconda.com](http://www.transfigurationwauconda.com) to check out the new information and format. If you have feedback to relay, please email Jeanne Blair at:

[communicationsministry@transfigurationwauconda.com](mailto:communicationsministry@transfigurationwauconda.com).

**4. RCIA**

Formation for people wishing to become Catholic or complete their sacraments (Communion and/or Confirmation) will begin September 9. If you are interested in this, please contact Vicki Peloquin at 847-997-7350 or Mary Gebelhoff at 847-526-6400.

**5. SCHOOL OF RELIGION OPEN HOUSE**

Parent Orientation / Open House for the School of Religion will be on Wednesday, August 22 from 5:30 pm-7:00 pm, Saturday, August 25 from 5:00 pm-6:30 pm and Sunday, August 26 from 10:30 am-12:00 pm. Parents are asked to pick one of the following days and come anytime during the hours listed.

**6. FRASSATI CATHOLIC ACADEMY**

The Frassati Catholic Academy Wauconda Campus office is open Monday - Friday 7:30 am - 3:30 pm. School is back in session on August 20. No parking on the school side of Mill Street will be enforced beginning that date. The Wednesday morning mass time will change to 9:00 am beginning August 22. Keep our school and religious education students, faculty and volunteers in your prayers as they prepare to begin our next academic year.

**7. SECOND COLLECTION**

Fr. vanThanh Nguyen, SVD is with us this weekend to speak about the many ministries of his religious community: the Divine Word Missionaries. Please be generous in the second collection to help support their missionary work. Information sheets and envelopes are available in the vestibule.

# Operations

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## STEWARDSHIP

*SOMOS DISCIPULOS COMPROMETIDOS  
DZIELENIE SIĘ DARAMI*

*"Watch carefully then how you live, not as foolish persons but as wise..."  
- Ephesians 5:15*

A wise person recognizes that all we have and all we are comes from God. A wise person thanks God continually throughout the day for all His many blessings. A wise person realizes that God has blessed us for a reason and that He wants us to help Him build His kingdom of earth.

*"Miren cuidadosamente cómo viven, no como necios sino como sabios..."  
- Efesios 5:15*

Una persona sabia reconoce que todo lo que tenemos y todo lo que somos proviene de Dios. Una persona sabia agradece a Dios continuamente durante todo el día por todas Sus bendiciones. Una persona sabia se da cuenta de que Dios nos ha bendecido por alguna razón y que Él quiere que lo ayudemos a construir su reino terrenal.

**REMEMBER US IN YOUR  
WILL**



**Help God's mission live on...**

For more information please call Camie Kwasigroch,  
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## WEEKLY OFFERING

*OFRENDA SEMANAL  
OFIARA TYGODNIOWA*

**SUNDAY, August 5, 2018**

YEAR-TO-DATE BUDGET	THIS YEAR
Presupuesto Anual: Budżet na Ten Rok:	\$ 1,155.36
<b>SUNDAY COLLECTION:</b>	
Ofrenda Dominical: Niedzielnna Ofiara:	\$ 12,791.73
<b>GIVECENTRAL (49 Contributors)</b>	
Ofrenda Dominical Electronica: GiveCentral Ofiara:	\$ 2,887.00
<b>THIS WEEK LAST YEAR:</b>	
Ofrenda Dominical hace un Año: Ten Sam Tydzień Zeszły Rok:	\$ 10,811.00
<b>NO. OF ENVELOPES THIS YEAR</b>	
Sobres usados este Año: Liczba Kopert Ten Rok:	206
<b>NO. OF ENVELOPES LAST YEAR</b>	
Sobres usados hace un Año: Liczba Kopert Zeszły Rok:	247

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for your weekly offertory and other donations!

## HomeTown Wauconda Fall Festival

**FRIDAY & SATURDAY**

September 14, 2018  
6pm - 11pm

September 15, 2018  
2pm - 11pm

Doors Open  
6pm

Food Court  
6pm - 10pm

Adult  
Beer Pong  
Tournament  
6pm - 9pm

Kids Games &  
Bounce House  
6pm - 8pm

Teens Wheel of Cards  
7pm - 9pm

"Cinful" Band  
7pm - 11pm



Doors Open  
2pm

Silent Auction/  
Basket Raffle  
2pm - 7pm

Food Court  
2pm - 10pm

Kids Games &  
Bounce House  
2pm - 7pm

BINGO  
3pm - 7pm

Teens Wheel of Cards  
7pm - 9pm

Adult Beer Pong  
Tournament  
7pm - 10pm

"Ethan Bell" Band  
7pm - 11pm



*Festivities held on*  
**Transfiguration Parish Grounds**  
348 W Mill St., Wauconda, IL

**SEP  
6-9**

**NOS VISITA LA  
VIRGEN DE SAN JUAN  
DE LOS LAGOS, JAL.**

THE IMAGE OF OUR LADY OF SAN  
JUAN IS VISITING OUR PARISH  
**SAVE THE DATE.**

**September 6—9, 2018**

**More information to come...**

**SEP  
14-15**

**HOMETOWN WAUCONDA  
FALL FEST**  
at Transfiguration Church

**PLAN TO JOIN US.**

LIVING OUR FAITH MORE LIVELY!  
**September 14—15, 2018**

**More information to come...**

**SEP  
16**

**FIESTAS PATRIAS**  
LATINO HEARITAGE DAY

**SAVE THE DATE.**

**Sunday, September 16, 2018**

**More information to come...**

**OCT  
19-22**

**LIGHT OF THE  
WORLD RETREAT**

**SAVE THE DATE.**

**October 19—22, 2018**

**More information to come...**



# Ministries and Programs

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What is

## RCIA

**RCIA** prepares unbaptized adults for Baptism and for other sacraments of initiation, i.e., Confirmation and Eucharist, to be in full communion with the Church.

**RCIA** is also for adults who have been baptized but have not completed their sacraments of initiation.

**RCIA** is for anyone who would like to learn more about their Catholic faith.

The journey begins in September and continues through May each Sunday after 9:00 a.m. Mass (10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.) in the Parish Offices.

Anyone interested in learning more about the Catholic faith is welcome to contact the Transfiguration School of Religion (847) 526-6400 or Vicki Peloquin at (847) 997-7350.

*Parishioners...prayerfully consider becoming part of the RCIA Team as a sponsor, catechist, or to assist with hospitality. Call Vicki Peloquin (847) 997-7350 if you are interested.*



## Hospital Schedule

Monday, August 20  
**Dolores Brumm & Anne Munter**

Monday, August 27  
**Jim Fijalkiewicz & Lorrie Gaughan**



August 20 to August 27  
**Jennifer Monday**

August 27 to September 3  
**Mona Engelking**

## RESPECT LIFE NEWS -- SPIRITUAL ADOPTION

“Before I formed you in the womb  
I knew you...  
before you were born  
I consecrated you”

Jeremiah 1:4-10

We ask that you spiritually adopt an unborn child. This is done by praying for one particular, but unknown child; that he or she is allowed the gift of life.

### Respect Life Spiritually Adopted Baby Week 22

Please pray that our baby, who is not yet born, will receive the gift of Life. As we follow our unborn baby to birth, this is what's going on in the womb during week 22.

“Inside my body, I am starting to produce white blood cells this week. They are important because these cells will help my body fight off infection once I am born. My eyebrows and lashes have started to grow, too. When I hear my Mom's voice, sometimes I get excited and punch and kick. Other times, though, her voice soothes me to sleep. I can't wait to see my parents' faces. I wonder if they look like me. Please pray for my family.”

Jesus, Mary and Joseph, I love you very much.  
I beg you to spare the life of the unborn baby  
whom I have spiritually adopted who is in danger of  
abortion.

For more info on Respect Life Ministry, call Mary Ann Fijalkiewicz, 847-526-7101



## 10 Reasons Americans Go to Church and 9 Reasons They Don't.

If American religion were traded at a stock exchange, your broker might be advising you to sell.

The trend lines don't look great and haven't for quite some time.

Social scientists and religious leaders have lots of theories about the long, slow slide, blaming it on everything from the internet to the politicization of conservative Christianity.

A new Pew Research Center study offers something different: a survey of 4,729 Americans telling us precisely why they do (or don't) attend religious services.

Some of their answers are unsurprising. Americans who don't believe in religion don't often attend church. Because duh.

But the survey complicates other stereotypes about Americans who rarely, if ever, attend religious services.

As it turns out, they're all not atheists, or even members of the "spiritual but not religious" crowd.

Many say religion is important in their lives, and lean conservative, politically.

"The people who attend religious services less often are not a monolithic group," said Becka Alper, a research associate at Pew.

First, here are the top 10 reasons given by Americans who attend religious services at least once a month, according to Pew. Survey respondents were allowed to give more than one reason. The percentage refers to people who said this was a "very important" reason for their decision:

1. To become closer to God. (81%)
2. So their children will have a moral foundation. (69%)
3. To become a better person. (68%)
4. For comfort in times of trouble or sorrow. (66%)
5. They find the sermons valuable. (59%)
6. To be part of a faith community. (57%)
7. To continue their family's religious traditions. (37%)
8. They feel obligated to go. (31%)
9. To meet new people or socialize. (19%)
10. To please their family, spouse or partner. (16%)

African-Americans are more likely than whites or Latinos to say that becoming closer to God, being a better person and finding spiritual solace in tough times are top reasons for attending religious services. The weekly sermon is less a draw for Catholics than other Christians.

More women say there are a variety of reasons for going to religious services, while men more commonly say they sit in the pew to please their spouse.

A healthy slice of adults younger than 30 say they visit the sanctuary mainly to socialize. Perhaps coincidentally, they are also less likely than older churchgoers to say they feel God's presence at services.

Why are older people more likely to feel God at church? Is there something in our makeup that opens us to religious experiences as we age? Or maybe more Americans are searching outside of sanctuaries for the divine.

According to Pew, that was the top reason survey respondents gave for skipping regular religious services. Here's the whole list:

1. They practice their faith in "other ways." (37%)
2. They are not believers. (28%)
3. No reason is "very important." (26%)
4. They haven't found a house of worship they like. (23%)
5. They don't like the sermons. (18%)
6. They don't feel welcome. (14%)
7. They don't have the time. (12%)
8. Poor health or mobility. (9%)
9. No house of worship in their area. (7%)

When you read the phrase "practice their faith in other ways," it may be tempting to visualize dreadlocked **Jubus** and Thoreau wannabees wandering barefoot around Walden Pond.

But that's not the picture Pew's data paints.

The believers most likely to say they practice their faith in "other ways" aren't spiritual freelancers with a disdain for discipline. They're Republican women in their 50s, and lot of them are Christians.

Of those who believe in religion but don't regularly attend religious services, nearly 7 in 10 still identify with a particular tradition, including 6 in 10 who say they are Christian.

More than half the people who believe but don't attend religious services regularly are women. Many say they haven't found a house of worship they like and so practice their faith in other ways.

And why so many women failed to find a house of worship they like? More than 6 in 10 said it's because they have poor health or difficulty getting around. More than half (54%) said it's because they haven't felt welcomed by congregations.

That's especially true of African-Americans, both men and women, who are more likely to say they don't go to religious services because they don't feel welcomed or there is no worship space in their area.

So, what does all this mean?

American pastors, imams and rabbis have spent endless amounts of time trying to cater to millennials' tastes, or at least what they perceive to be millennials' tastes: Coffee bars. Hip young clergy. Mission trips to exotic locales.

But this study suggests that there is an under-served group of believers who seem like they'd actually like to go to religious services -- if only someone could help get them there and welcome them when they arrive.

AUTHOR  
**DANIEL BURKE**

**WHY DO I COME TO CHURCH? WHY DO I COME TO WORSHIP AT TRANSFIGURATION PARISH?**

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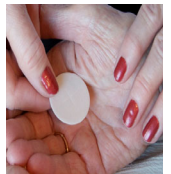


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# Sacraments & Devotions 13



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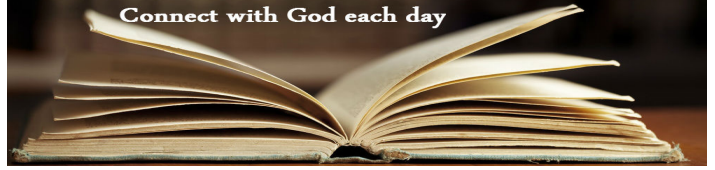
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<b>5:00 pm English Language Mass</b>		<b>SATURDAY</b>	
FR. PAWEL <u>Vicki Peloquin</u> <u>Barbara Bechtel</u> Lorrie Gaughan	<b>Bill Barron</b> Janie Piccolo Volunteer Needed Volunteer Needed	Gesselle Vazquez Joan Vazquez Kasey Kruger	G: Volunteer Needed Volunteer Needed L: Volunteer Needed
6:30 pm Spanish Language Mass			
FR: JUAN PABLO <u>Marina Ortiz</u> <u>Jesus Ortiz</u> Luis Ramirez	DC: JOSE Odalys Guerrero Leslie Medellin Licina Medellin Erik Hernandez	Josue Avalos Vanessa Ramirez Marina Guevara	L1: Homero Cardoso Ps: Homero Cardoso L2: Ana Maria Ortiz Petitions: Ana M. Ortiz
<b>7:30 am English Language Mass</b>		<b>SUNDAY</b>	
FR. PAWEL <u>Josephine Chiovari</u> <u>Judy Greco</u> Christine Efflandt	<b>Monica Glavey</b> Rick Glavey Tom Lahrman Yuliana Perez	Eleanor Rebmann Stanley Rebmann	G: Linda Murphy Margie Scholla L: Jeanne Blair
9:00 am English Language Mass			
FR. JUAN PABLO <u>Lenore Speciale</u> <u>Bev McKeown</u> Jim Fijalkiewicz	<b>Kathleen O'Day</b> Margaret Wilkosz Mona Engelking Mary Ann Fijalkiewicz	Eddy Gonzalez Volunteer Needed Volunteer Needed	G: Volunteer Needed Volunteer Needed L1: Tim Brunn L2: Leslie Lauer
11:00 am English Language Mass			
FR. PAWEL <u>Vincent Potenzone</u> Volunteer Needed Nancy Slupski	<b>Jill Ryan</b> Jack Wojcik John Wallor Volunteer Needed	Max Chamberlin Volunteer Needed Volunteer Needed	G: Volunteer Needed Volunteer Needed L: John Mills
<b>12:30 pm Polish Language Mass</b>			
FR: PAWEL	DC: FELIKS	Maria Czaja Piotr Wierzbicki	C: Krystyna Talaga L1: Edawrd Cyran L2: Marek Chmiel

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