

# Church of the Transfiguration

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May 25, 2025

**Mission Statement: "Transfiguring Our Community Through Faith"**



## Rev. Raphael Zwolenkiewicz, OFM Conv, Pastor

Fr. Kevin Schindler-McGraw, OFM Conv, Parochial Vicar; Fr. Luke Vu, OFM Conv, Parochial Vicar;  
Deacon Martin J. Leach • Deacon John A. Mignano • Deacon Timothy L. Moore • Deacon Burton J. Rigley

### SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Saturdays 4:00 pm

Sundays 7:30 am, 9:00 am, 11:00 am

Mon-Fri 8:00 am (Except First Fridays - 9:30 am)

### LIVE STREAM MASS ON

[www.Transfigchurch.com](http://www.Transfigchurch.com) and Facebook

### CONFESSIONS

Saturdays 3:00 pm - 3:45 pm

### BAPTISMS

Please call the Parish Office to register.

### MATRIMONY

Six months advance notice required. Please call the parish office.

### FUNERALS

Please contact the funeral home of your choice and then the parish office.

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION, YOUTH MINISTRY & RCIA

Director of Religious Education: Wendy Estrada

(510) 537-1502 [ReligiousEd@TransfigCV.org](mailto:ReligiousEd@TransfigCV.org)

### SICK & HOMEBOUND MINISTRY:

Mary Kay Kelder, (510) 582-7253

### LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

#### Eucharistic Ministers

Coordinators: Elmer & Puri Serrano

[eserrano76@gmail.com](mailto:eserrano76@gmail.com)

#### Lectors for Weekend Masses

Coordinator: Barbara Mehan

[Lector.Weekend@TransfigCV.org](mailto:Lector.Weekend@TransfigCV.org)

#### Lectors for Weekday Masses

Coordinator: Mike Dresen

[Lector.Weekday@TransfigCV.org](mailto:Lector.Weekday@TransfigCV.org)

#### Altar Servers

Coordinator: Vivian Zaleski

[Altar.Server@TransfigCV.org](mailto:Altar.Server@TransfigCV.org)

### MUSIC MINISTRY

Director: Alexander Katsman

(510) 538-7941, Ext. 302 [Music@TransfigCV.org](mailto:Music@TransfigCV.org)

### PARISH OFFICE

Hours: 8:00 am - 4:30 pm, Monday - Wednesday (until further notice)

(Closed for lunch 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm)

Secretary, Elmer Serrano - [Rectory.Office@TransfigCV.org](mailto:Rectory.Office@TransfigCV.org)

Bookkeeper, Phyllis Moore - [Rectory.Office@TransfigCV.org](mailto:Rectory.Office@TransfigCV.org)

**Saint Vincent de Paul Help Line: 510-274-0830**

**For Clergy visit during Out of Hours and Emergencies, please call 510-537-0806 Ext. 109**

**Your Prayers Are Requested for the  
Repose of:**

**Lawrence Gregori**  
(Husband of Marilyn Gregori)  
Funeral Mass: May 29, 2025 at 11:30am

**Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist  
Needed!!!**

Our Eucharistic Ministry is looking for volunteers to serve in our weekend Mass celebrations. If this is the opportunity you are looking for in your prayer life, please send email to Elmer Serrano at [eserrano76@gmail.com](mailto:eserrano76@gmail.com). Thank you.



Monday evening, May 26, 2025 in the Marian room, **7:00-8:00 p.m.** Please arrange Zoom connectivity with Mike Dresen at [bibles-tudy@transfigcv.org](mailto:bibles-tudy@transfigcv.org) if attending remotely. Free will offering.

**OUR LADY OF GRACE –  
TRANSFIGURATION CATHOLIC  
COMMUNITY**

**JOB OPPORTUNITY**

Our Lady of Grace –Transfiguration Catholic Community are seeking to fill a Bookkeeper position. The Bookkeeper is responsible for maintaining the financial records of the parish by accurately recording the day to day financial transactions. The Bookkeeper provides timely and accurate financial information to the pastor, business manager, and finance council, and ensures fiscal responsibility in parish operations.

The Bookkeeper II performs functions with little direct supervision and only general oversight. Please contact Colleen Lindberg at [clindberg@olgcgv.org](mailto:clindberg@olgcgv.org) or the parish office 510-537-0806.

**Dress-a-Girl Ministry**

Volunteers needed to sew simple sundresses. Supplies provided. Bring scissors, pinking shears and wear a mask. For further information contact: **Yolanda Arredondo** at **510-303-4023** or email at [yarredondo747@gmail.com](mailto:yarredondo747@gmail.com) Hope you can join

**Stewardship Corner**

The collection total for the weekends of

**May 10th thru May 11th — \$15,595.00**  
**Bishop's Ministries Appeal: \$6,015.00 17.90%**

(compared to \$12,000 average weekly stewardship goal)

Thank you for continuing in your stewardship role of providing for the upkeep of our parish community.



May 25, 2025

**The Bishop's Ministries Appeal  
Goal for The Church of the Transfiguration - \$33,600.00  
Ministries of Hope**

The Ministries of Hope Appeal enables over 70 ministries that serve the Church Communities of the Oakland Diocese as well as the greater communities where our parishes are located to flourish. This includes faith formation and evangelization, CYO sports, formation of priests to serve parishioners, care of the retired priests, parishes in action programs, and meeting the unexpected needs of schools and parishes.

Your prayers for the success of the Appeal are important. So please offer the prayer for the appeal which appears at the end of this message. Then, please consider the particular way that you personally can assist our Church and the Diocese in reaching and even surpassing our goal. You can assist our parish efforts by praying for and donating to the appeal. Thank You to those who have already made a donation to the appeal. Your generosity is indeed a blessing. Every gift matters – each act of charity strengthens the Church's mission and brings Christ's love to those in needs. Please prayerfully consider contribution to the Ministries of Hope Appeal as an act of faith and a reflection of God's unending love. Support the Bishop's Ministries Appeal by using one of the envelopes sent to you or found in the Church. All the donations that are made are reserved. They can only be allotted to the particular ministries highlighted in the appeal. You can make a cash donation or by writing a check to Transfiguration Church and writing "Bishop's Appeal" in the memo field or contributing online. Contributions to the Appeal can be made as a one-time donation or made monthly, quarterly, semi-annually or annually. Any amount raised above our Parish Goal is returned back to our Church. Your donation to the Appeal is greatly appreciated. Thank You so very much.

Transfiguration Church achieved 82% of its goal for the 2024 Bishop's Ministries Appeal and looks forward to achieving this year's goal of \$33,600. Your generous donation to the Appeal assists in providing needed funds for programs and projects throughout the Diocese to continue and flourish. Thank You so very much.

**Bishop's Ministries Appeal Prayer**

*Loving and merciful God, we are your family, brothers and sisters entrusted with the mission of your Church in the Diocese of Oakland. We call upon our blessed Mother, Queen of the World and patroness of our Diocese, to guide us as a people committed to serving the needs of all God's people, to tend the flock entrusted to our care.*

*Look upon us, loving Shepherd, the sheep you have redeemed by your Precious Blood. We offer you our grateful prayer and ask your blessing on all our endeavors. Amen.*

Fr. Raphael



Diocese of Oakland

# MINISTRIES of HOPE

## WAYS to GIVE

**MAIL:** Send check or money order to:  
**Bishop's Ministries Appeal**  
Diocese of Oakland, 2121 Harrison Street,  
Suite 100, Oakland, CA 94612

**ONLINE:** Scan the QR code or visit  
oakdiocese.org/bishops-ministries-appeal  
to make a gift by credit card.

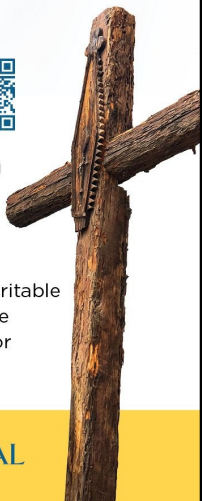


**EMAIL:** BishopsMinistriesAppeal@oakdiocese.org

**CALL:** 510-267-8358

### ADDITIONAL GIFT OPTIONS:

Gifts of stock, IRA distributions, bequests, and charitable gift annuities can be coordinated by contacting the Office for Mission Advancement at 510-267-8358 or BishopsMinistriesAppeal@oakdiocese.org.



## 2025 BISHOP'S MINISTRIES APPEAL

## TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — Acts 15:1-2, 22-29

**Psalm** — 67

**Second Reading** — Revelation 21:10-14, 22-23

**Gospel** — John 14:23-29

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**May your words, O Lord, be in my thoughts, on my lips, and in my heart. May they guide my life and keep me near to you.**

## Mass Intentions (May 24, 2025—May 30, 2025)

Sat.	4:00 p.m.	Paula Gordillo
Sun.	7:30 a.m.	For The People
	9:00 a.m.	Spcl Int Diane Saia and Family
	11:00 a.m.	Mario Cirimele
Mon.	8:00 a.m.	Eduina, Belmira, Rosa Freitas and All Souls
Tues.	8:00 a.m.	Jeanie Peixoto
Wed.	8:00 a.m.	Spcl Int Connie Lucas and Family
Thur.	8:00 a.m.	For The People
Fri.	8:00 a.m.	Spcl Int. Lucas Santos

## Music Ministry News

Our wonderful Adult Choir is looking for new choir members! We are a friendly and supportive group and would love you to join us in inspiring and uplifting experience of praising God in song! We rehearse on Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m. and sing on Sundays at 11:00 a.m. Mass. If you never tried or if you haven't sung in a choir in a while this would be a great time to join Transfiguration Adult Choir! Reading the music is not required. Please contact Alex Katsman, the Music Ministry Director, by email at music@transfigcv.org

You can also leave a message at (510) 538-7941, ext.302 or see our musicians at the church on a weekend. We are looking forward to meeting you!

If you play an instrument and would like to be a part of the Music Ministry at Transfiguration we would like to invite you also! Please contact Alex for further details.

### Please Note!

The Rectory Office will be close this Monday, May 26, 2025 in observation of Memorial Day Holiday.  
Thank you!



We extend a warm welcome to new parishioners. Please pick up a registration form at the vestibule of the church and return it to the Parish Office. This helps us to serve you better.

## Congratulation! 2025

**Rayann Deguia** - from Castro Valley High School

**Alexander Mascio** - from CVHS going to Cal Poly San Luis Obispo

**Riley Eagan** - from CVHS going to University of Tampa

**Lenore Sullivan** - from Carondelet High School going to Colorado State Univ.

**Leila Skaff** - from CVHS going to San Jose State University

**Sofia Skaff** - from CVHS going to San Jose State University

**Diego Mares** - from CVHS going to Ohlone College

**Anthony Mares** - from CVHS going to Ohlone College

**Ryan Thanos** - from CVHS going to Santa Clara University

**Christopher Kelly** - from Los Positas going to Sacramento State University

**Henry Nguyen** - from Cal State Univ. East Bay - Degree in Accounting  
Going to work??

**Aidan Franzan** - from San Jose State University - Degree in Economics  
Going to work???

**Christian Decano** - from University of San Francisco School of Nursing and Health  
Bachelor degree in Science in Nursing  
Going to work as a Registered Nurse!