

Happy Fall. We hope all is well. Thanks to everyone who attended our September Parish Events. We appreciated your support!

Below are some of our upcoming October Events and activities – we hope you will join us!



Our parish is selling cider donuts, pumpkin bread, coffee & apple cider at Fall Fest on the Town Common on Saturday, 10/3. Please stop by!



Our next Mass fellowship is Sunday, October 4th. Please join us after Sunday at 9:00 am Mass or before the 11:00 am Mass at Villanova Hall.

BLESSING OF THE PETS THIS SUNDAY OCTOBER 4th AT 11:00 AM - WE WILL GATHER ON THE GROUNDS IN FRONT OF VILLANOVA HALL.



The Charities Committee will hold its annual collection benefiting the animals cared for by the MSPCA. Donations may be left at the entrances of both churches during all Masses on **October 3rd & 4th**.

Needed: Dry/canned cat and dog food, bird food, cat litter, toys, ferret food and toys, and grocery store gift cards.

Monetary donations are also greatly appreciated and will help the MSPCA purchase fresh produce for the animals in their care.



High School Youth Ministry Meeting – Sunday, October 4th at 7:00 pm on the stage at Saint Dorothy Church Hall.

We invite you to join us for a night of faith, fellowship, and fun.



ALTAR SERVERS' MINISTRY - Training: October 6 at 6:00 PM at St. Thomas

We are looking for boys and girls in grades 4–8 to become Altar Servers! This is a wonderful opportunity to serve our Parish and assist the Priest in celebrating Mass.

Fun, one-session training with our Pastor and teen

servers

Flexible scheduling—serve weekly, monthly, or whenever works for your family

Bring a friend and serve together!

Interested or have questions? Contact daveg@parishofthetransfiguration.org or call 978-658-6040.



PARISH STEWARDSHIP PROGRAM COMMITMENT WEEKEND – Saturday, October 10th and Sunday, October 11th

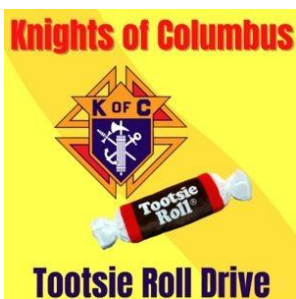
To help meet the rising costs of our Parish, we are beginning a Stewardship Program in place of our annual Grand Annual.

A brochure, Commitment Form, and return envelope have been

mailed to each parish household. Every gift matters, and

we simply ask each family to prayerfully consider what they can give.

Every commitment, large or small, is a sacrificial gift and an expression of gratitude for God's many blessings. "Thank you, Lord, for every blessing we have received."



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS TOOTSIE ROLL CAMPAIGN - Saturday, October 10 & Sunday, October 11

Donations will be collected after all Masses to support individuals with intellectual disabilities. Thank you for your generosity!



Our Children's Choir will be starting with a special kick-off rehearsal on Saturday, October 10th at 1:00 pm at St. Thomas Church and our first Mass is Sunday, October 17th at 9:00 am at St. Thomas.

New England Woodcarvers “Spirit of Wood” Show & Craft Fair - Presented by the Wilmington Arts Council

Saturday, October 17 & Sunday, October 18 9:00 AM–4:00 PM - Villanova Hall • Free Admission!



Woodcarvings from throughout New England will be on display!

- **Free knife sharpening** by the NH Guild of Woodworkers
- **Woodcarving and art classes** offered by NEWC, WAC & KidsCreate
- **Soap carving and pumpkin carving** for kids

Children must be accompanied by an adult. For the most up-to-date information, visit www.newc.org.



PARISH BAKE SALE AND LUNCH FUNDRAISER AT THE SPIRIT OF WOOD SHOW

Enjoy **hamburgers, hot dogs, sausages, and baked goods** from **11:30 AM–1:30 PM** while supporting our Parish!

Stop by for a sweet treat and check out the show! To donate baked goods or volunteer, contact **Diane Garrity** at

978-658-4665 ext. 104 or dianeg@parishofthetransfiguration.org.



SAVE THE DATE - NOVEMBERFEST & FAMILYFEST - Saturday, November 14 •

9:00 AM–4:00 PM • Villanova Hall

Join us for our Parish's **biggest fundraiser and community event of the year!**

 **Raffle Tickets:** Only 200 tickets will be sold for a chance to win **up to \$5,000!** Tickets are available through the QR code above and after Masses **October 24–25**. Get yours today!

 **Treasure Chest Donations:** New and gently used items will be collected at Villanova Hall:

- **Saturday, Oct. 24:** 12:00–4:00 PM and **Sunday, Oct. 25:** 8:30 AM–12:30 PM

We welcome **home décor, Thanksgiving & Christmas decorations, jewelry, pocketbooks, toys, small tools, and puzzles.**

Interested in sponsoring or donating goods or services? Contact **Diane Garrity** at dianeg@parishofthetransfiguration.org.

Deadline: October 15. Thank you for your generosity and support!

[Novemberfest Sponsorships and Donations - Google Forms](#)

If you are interested in volunteering in our Parish or ministries, please see our 9/27 bulletin link below for upcoming meetings and contact information. <https://www.parishofthetransfiguration.org/bulletin>.

We hope you will join us at one of our Masses and Services:



St. Dorothy Church – 4:00 pm Saturday and 11:00 am on Sunday and 9:00 am daily Mass – Monday – Friday

Eucharistic Adoration – Thursday from 6:00 – 7:00 pm and Confessions – Confessions also on Saturdays from 3:15 – 3:45

St. Thomas Church – 7:30 am and 9:00 am on Sunday - Eucharistic Adoration – Friday from 3:00 – 4:00 pm and Confessions

First Saturday Devotion – Saturday, October 3rd at St. Thomas Church

8:30 am – Rosary and Mass at 9:00 am - followed by a reflection and confessions

FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!

To register for the 2026-2027 please go to our website or call the Faith Formation Office at 978.658.6040.

or use the link to register [Registration+form+for+2026-2027.pdf](#). Please register as soon as possible as classes have already started!

We are looking for two teens to help with our Adaptive Program twice a month on Sunday mornings from 8:00 – 8:40 am.

Please **contact Jeanie Pettingill** at jeaniep@parishofthetransfiguration.org for more information.

Blessings and enjoy the October Holidays!

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