

Church of the Infant Saviour

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May 15, 2016

Pentecost Sunday

Infant Saviour, Pine Bush



Our Lady of the Valley, Walker Valley



Father S. Niranjan Rodrigo, Pastor
Deacon Jack Carr
Deacon Frank Rose

Parish Trustees: Dr. Richard Reich
Dn. Frank Rose

Parish Council Chair: Dn. Jack Carr

Parish Secretary/Notary Public: Mrs. Patricia Ditzio
Parish Office Hours: Monday, Wed-Friday 9AM-4PM
Tuesday 9AM-6PM

RCIA Ministry: Dn. Jack Carr

Religious Education: Mrs. Gail Baumann, Coordinator
Mrs. Jeanette Coates, Secretary

Adult Faith Formation: Mrs. Gail Baumann

Catholic Youth Organization: Mrs. Jeanette Coates
Mrs. Lula Tartaglione

THE HOMEBOUND are visited regularly. To arrange a visit, please call the Parish Office at 744-2391.

Knights of Columbus Council 5329:
Meets the first Thursday of the month in the Pre-School Building, call Charlie Cino 744-6174.

MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday Evening: 5PM-Pine Bush

Sunday: 8:00 AM – Walker Valley

9:30AM & 11:15AM – Pine Bush

Daily Masses: 8:00AM Monday through Sat. – Pine Bush

CONFESSIONS: Saturday 4:00-4:40 and by appointment.

INFANT BAPTISMS:

Any 2nd or 4th Saturday of each month at 12 Noon. or by special appointment. Please call the Rectory at 744-2391 ext. 10

Baptism Catechesis is offered on the 3rd Saturday of every month at 3PM in the Church Hall. Any parents who are getting their children baptized and have been directed to attend should plan on coming to one of the sessions before the baptism takes place. Godparents may also attend. Please direct any questions or concerns to Dn. Jack Carr or Dn. Frank Rose.

ADULT BAPTISMS:

We use the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults.

DEVOTIONS:

Rosary – 7:40 Rosary said before Daily Mass

Miraculous Medal Novena – after Saturday 8:00AM Mass

Holy Hour – Wednesday, 6:30 – 7:30PM

Last Wednesday of Every month Holy Hour will be held at Our Lady of the Valley in Walker Valley 6:30-7:30.

Marian Prayer Group – 2nd & 4th Wednesdays, 10:30AM, Mother's Chapel

Ultreya – 2nd Thursday of the month: 7:30PM, Church Hall

Eucharistic Adoration – First Friday of the Month: 9AM – 6PM

MARRIAGES: Please call the Rectory 744-2391 for an appointment at least six months prior to the desired date. No date will be given until the couple has met with Fr. Niranjan, Deacon Jack or Deacon Frank.



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Mass Intentions

Sat: May 14, 2016

Sat 8:00AM:
5:00PM: Rose Marie Wilkins (Ron & Mary Walton & Family)

Week of May 15, 2016

Sun: 8:00AM: Lucia Rein (Lou & Cathy Corti)
9:30AM: Phillip Cruise (Joan & George Gallant)
11:15AM: Liliana LaRosa (Her Mother Luisa & Family)

Mon: 8:00AM:

Tues: 8:00AM: John Marshall (Healing)
(Tom & Gabriele Stephens)

Wed: 8:00AM: For All Those Affected by Abortion

Thur: 8:00AM:

Fri: 8:00AM:

Sat: 8:00AM:
5:00PM: Bob Turnbull (His Wife Anne)

Week of May 22, 2016

Sun: 8:00AM: Beverly Corcoran
9:30AM: Joseph & Catherine Sarkowicz (Their Family)
11:15AM: Theresa Algarin (Bob & Mary Boylan)

CONFESSIONS: Saturday 4:00-4:40 and by appointment.

Readings: May 22, 2016, The Most Holy Trinity

First Reading: Proverbs 8:22-31 (166C)

Psalm: 8:4-5, 6-7, 8-9

Second Reading: Romans 5:1-5

Gospel: John 16:12-15

Cenacle for Life: Please join the Healing Hands for Life Ministry 4:00PM every Friday in the Mother's Chapel to pray for the end of Abortion and the Sanctity of Life.

BAPTISMAL/CONFIRMATION SPONSOR CERTIFICATES AND REGISTRATION: Please note that you must be registered for at least three months in order to receive a sponsor certificate.

Prayers for the Sick and Deceased: Please contact the Parish Office with names of anyone who need prayers for healing or have recently died in which you would like to have included in the Prayer of the Faithful at Mass and/or in the bulletin. The names of those who are sick are to be submitted only with the named person's permission.

Please pray for the sick: John Araneo, Roland Mora, Helen Dennedy, George Burrow, Pat Matteo, Jeffrey Selear, Bob Carlson, George Rescigno, Matthew Schaffner, William Meyers, Richard Tanagretta, Doris Bennett, Jeanie Kane, Bob Broughal, Ed Gatzen, Edward Staff, Joseph Manfredi, Anthony Gordon, Eric Maurin, Roland Rossi, Kurt Schaffner, Frank Rispoli, Natalie Saft, Thomas Fitzsimmons, Clare Dougherty, Michael Phillips and Gail LeClair.

PLEASE REMEMBER all our Men and Women who defend and have defended our freedom in the armed forces and their families in your prayers, especially: Henry Brylowski Jr. (Army); John Walton (Army) Ed Ryan (Iraq); Jamie Flodin (Marines); Lyndsey Flodin (Marines) Chris Corti (US Air Force); Sean Patrick Barry (Marines), Louis Springer (Commander, Navy); John Broughal (Air Force) Michael Ditizio (Navy), Captain Caitlin Conley (Fort Bragg, NC) James Grabinski (US Air Force), Jeremy Reinhardt (Navy) Eddison Parris (Camp Lejeune, NC); Capt. Francis Pascucci (USMC), CPT Jennifer Pascucci, (Army); Michael Haffner (Airforce), Heather Owney (1st Lt. Army), John A. Burrow (Air Force), Breana Mangold (Navy), Christopher Mangold (Navy), Christopher Chase (Ensign, Navy), Nicholas G. Burrow (AirForce), Andrew Starke (Air Force), Daniel Vasseur (Navy) Philip Longden (Army), Alex Hyde Goudreau (MP Army), Matthew Wilkins (Air Force), Zachary Sawitsky (Marines), Jake Sawitsky (Marines), Aaron Nahs (Air National Guard), James A. Tremper, Jr. (Army), Sean Kane (Army), Arthur Jefferson III (Army), Timothy Fay (Master Sergeant, Air Force), Casey Fay (1st. Lt., Army), Brian Daniel Gray (Marines), Devin Masiero (Marines), William LaCovara (Air Force), Gerardo Balsa (Air Force) Colin Cummings (Marine Corps), Matthew Cruver (Air Force National Guard)

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR MEN AND WOMEN: Almighty God, we stand before You asking for Your divine mercy and protection. Embrace with Your invincible armour our loved ones in all branches of the service. Give them courage and strength against all enemies both spiritual and physical and hasten their safe journey back to their homes and families. Amen.

Religious Ed News:

Registration for Religious Education for 2016-2017 year is now in progress PLEASE RETURN COMPLETED FORMS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE any registration received after June 30th will have an additional charge of \$50.00. Any outstanding registration fees for 2015-2016 MUST BE PAID NOW..

If you have a child going into first grade in September you must register your child for Religious Education as quickly as possible.

WALKER VALLEY CATHOLIC SOCIETY NEWS:

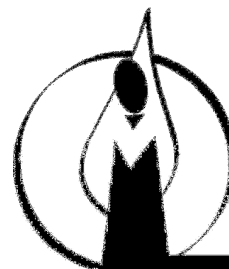
June/July **No Meetings**

Thurs. Aug. 4 **Meeting:** Tricky Tray Social Plans/Update on Business Donations



Banns of Marriage:

Matthew Gershowitz & Samantha Sherman



*Renew us
Renew the earth*

First Holy Communion in Infant Saviour

There is no doubt that for most of us an unforgettable meeting with Jesus can be our **First Holy Communion**. In fact, the Sacrament of the Eucharist is the source and summit of our Catholic Faith. In this sacrament Catholics partake of the Body and Blood of Christ to be a part of His life. Further, this receiving of Holy Communion strengthens and increases our faith and closeness with the community of Christ.

I remember as though it was a recent event, when I received Jesus in Holy Communion for the first time together with my classmates in the Catholic School that I attended. It was a day that I still treasure and it was a day of celebration for my whole family. Likewise, I believe that this was a day, not only for the First Holy Communicants, but also for their parents.

The First Communion generally takes place when a child is around 7 or 8 years of age. First Holy Communion is one of the great family celebrations. Most of the parents may remember their First Holy Communion as one of life's most beautiful days. On that day, together with the First Holy Communicants, their parents, siblings, relatives, godparents, catechists may generally receive Holy Communion. Then, the family get-togethers that take place after the celebration of the Mass internalize the depth of this experience. I have experienced this by being at parties that the families organize. Not only can it be a great family celebration, it is also a great day of celebration for the parish.

Our wonderful children in the Religious Education Program have been preparing all year to receive Jesus in Holy Communion. At that time, they were also prepared for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Then, last Saturday, on the 7th of May, 46 students in the second level received Jesus. There is no doubt that they were hopefully looking forward to this day for a long time. They were so excited at that celebration. They were; **From EJR - John Almeida, Anthony D'Avanzo, Hailey Dec, Kayla Dec, Ana-Marie Djeljevic, Alanah Giannini, Jenna Golden, Keira Healy, John Jadrossich, Olivia Januario, Collin Kane, Dominic Licardi, Cassandra Lopoulos, James Lopoulos, Liam Madden, Alyssa Magsamen, Madison Maloney, Jaylyn Mattiuzzi, Luca Meisel, Serenity Montalvo, Sean Mora, Walter Muller, Cole Neenan, Caroline Nigro, Rachel Price, Jake Thompson and Maria Zuniga.** **From PBE – Aaron Avato, Logan Babcock, Tyler Barba, Ava Boffalo, Emma Boffalo, Edward Collard, Allison Corin, Kathryn Cragan, Payton Croce, Ava Dymond, Mia Friedl, Hazel Gutierrez, Cody Hanson, Carlton Hilliard IV, Nicholas Maiori, Nicholas Mazzella, Jacob Naclerio, Cole Teague and Sean Travis-Friel.**

On behalf of Infant Saviour Community, I wish to thank all the dedicated teachers that we are blessed to have; **Mrs. Mary Walton, Mrs. Christine Collard, Mrs. Marie Cragan, Mrs. Tara Thompson, Mrs. Meghan Giannini, and Mrs. Patti Maragliano.** We specially thank **Mrs. Gail Baumann** for guiding these children to this stage of their life as the Coordinator of Religious Education. She is really a God given blessing to our Infant Saviour Church. We also thank, **Mrs. Jeannette Coates**, the secretary of the Religious Education program for her hard work and **Rev. Sr. Shinty Anthony** for her presence among us and her collaboration in our program helping our children as a Religious. We also would like to show our great gratitude to **Mr. John DeMatties** for his yearly dedicated work of making wonderful Rosaries for our First Holy Communicants. John had been doing this work for years, and we as a Parish are so appreciative for this ministry that he does.

Then, on the following day. Sunday, which was Mothers' Day, the First Holy Communicants participated in the **Crowning of our Heavenly Mother, Mary the Mother of God.** During that traditional May Crowning, some First Holy Communicants processed to the statue of our Blessed Mother with a wreath of flowers. It was a wonderful experience to see our children gathering around the statue of our Heavenly Mother to crown her with a wreath of flowers, especially on Mothers' Day. It was so inspirational to see some children paying a tribute to our Blessed Mother. The children and their families have worked so hard all year long to prepare for this sacramental occasion. **We as a Parish, congratulate the children and families for this wonderful blessing. We ask all of you to pray for these children and their families for their greater participation in nurturing each other in our faith.**

Fr. Niranjan Rodrigo, Pastor

| Collections: | 2016 | 2015 |
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| Sunday Collection 05/08/2016 | \$5,336.20 | \$6,776.92 |
| Building Fund Collection: | \$2,484.00 | |
| (Parishpay included) Thank you for your generosity. | | |
| Collections for the Month of May | | |
| Undated Mother's Day Remembrance | | |
| May 1: Weekly/Church in Europe | | |
| May 5: The Feast of the Ascension | | |
| May 8: Weekly/Building Fund | | |
| May 15: Weekly | | |
| Undated Father's Day Remembrance | | |
| May 22: Weekly/Maintenance | | |
| May 29: Weekly | | |

"Tree Of Life" The Donor Recognition Tree is one way of recognizing, remembering and honoring a living or deceased family member or friend, commemorate an anniversary or other event or thank the Lord for favors received. The tree is on the wall in the main Church by Mother's Chapel. The forms that need to be filled out with who you want to have dedicated, have been placed in both Churches and in the Church Hall.

God Bless you for your support.

- One Leaf: \$400.00
- One Acorn: \$800.00
- One Stone: \$1,300.00
- Mini Tree: \$4,000.00

Please note that there will be an additional fee of \$200.00 to add a picture. Payment plans are available.

The PINE BUSH KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS Council 5329 is offering a \$400 scholarship for a graduating senior that lives in the Pine Bush School District. In keeping with our faith, all applicants are to write an essay answering the question, "How should my Catholic faith determine how I Vote in Elections?" The essay should be between 200-250 words and type-written. One winner will be chosen.

The following qualifications are in place:

1. Reside in the Pine Bush School District
2. Graduating Senior that is attending a college in the Fall
3. Practicing Catholic

Essays must be received no later than June 14. Please include your name and a contact number. They can be emailed to kofc5329@hvc.rr.com Please attach it to the email.

or they can be sent to:

Knights of Columbus 5329
PO Box 166
Thompson Ridge, NY 10985

Cardinal's Appeal 2016 During this *Jubilee Year of Mercy*, we are called to help one another and be merciful, as Jesus is for all of us. It is only with **your help** that the Cardinal's Annual Stewardship Appeal continues to be a beacon of hope for our brothers and sisters through our ministries and charities. Answer the call and donate today!. You can also make an online donation by visiting www.cardinalsappeal.org. Goal: \$42,000.00; As of May 13, 2016 Pledged: \$24,296.00 -- 79 Gifts. Please consider a sacrificial pledge to the 2016 Appeal. Thank you.

WHAT IS PARISH PAY?

Parish Pay is an alternative means of fulfilling your stewardship commitment to Infant Saviour Church that benefits both you and the parish. It is considered as the best means available of supporting our Parish. Instead of weekly and special collection envelopes, the program collects your contribution amount from your checking, savings, or credit account on the date and frequency you specify. The funds you designate are deducted from your account and directly credited to Infant Saviour Church. Currently, we have 70 families in our Parish participating in ParishPay and we would like to grow that number. Enrollment is easy, friendly, secure, and most of all there is no cost to you for using Parish Pay.

BENEFITS TO YOU

You do not have to worry about bringing your envelope and checkbook to Mass every week.

You can provide regular ongoing support to Infant Saviour Church, even if you are away or unable to attend Mass, especially in the summer months. With Parish Pay, tithing may be made through your checking account, savings account or even a credit card every week or month at NO cost to you. It's secure and confidential.

You can easily adjust the amount of your contribution anytime via the secured website or by calling the Parish Office. You will receive email reminders in advance of your scheduled contributions. You receive a year-end summary of your donations for tax purposes.

BENEFITS TO INFANT SAVIOUR CHURCH

It provides a more predictable stream of income that will help the Church do a better job forecasting and budgeting. It reduces the expense process of regular weekly donation envelopes. It ensures consistency in giving during the lean summer months when parishioners travel and are away. It ensures an accurate and consistent record for generating tax letters.

IT'S EASY TO SIGN UP!

The quickest way to enroll is by using the website www.parishpay.com and scroll down to the "get Started" link and placing the Church's zip code in or by calling the Parish Office @ (845) 744-2391 x 10. There is also a link to Parish Pay through our own parish website, www.infantsaviour.org.

For those of you who worry about what other people will think when you don't put anything in basket, you can simply deposit an empty envelope in the basket with the words Parish Pay written on the amount.

We encourage you to surf out to the Parish Pay website and see just what this way of giving has to offer. Thank you in advance for your continued generosity to Infant Saviour Parish, your spiritual home. May God Bless You All Abundantly.

Town of Shawangunk 2016 is hosting a 6 week summer camp from Tuesday July 5-August 12th 9AM to 3PM for children from ages 5 to 14 years old. Camp will be held in Verkeerderkill Park. How to Register: Shawangunk Town Hall 14 Central Avenue, Wallkill, NY or you can download forms at shawangunk.org For more information or to register please go to the website or call Gillian Batchasingh at 917-848-8633 or April Grieco at 744-2452. There will be a residence and a non-residence fee applied. Registration deadline is June 15

The Pine Bush Relay for Life is hosting a Paint the Town Purple fundraiser at Kiernans on North Street hosted by Larry Chan. The event will be held on Friday May 20 from 4-7pm a Chinese buffet. The cost is \$20 per person which includes ice tea, lemonade & water. There will be door prizes for all who attend. Contact Donna Henke for tickets at 8457448017 or Alicia Roe at Walden Savings Bank.



The annual Pine Bush Relay for Life is going to be held on June 4, 2016 beginning at noon. All in the community are invited to come and spend the day at this event. Please if you are a cancer survivor there are many activities for you to enjoy. Registration for all survivors begins at 2pm & planned are manicures, massages, Reikki, and a class on Essential Oils. We are proud to announce Wendy Wellington will be taking individual professional photos of all our survivors & one with their caregivers/family. There will be a food reception for our cancer survivors & their caregivers at 4:30pm. Food provided by the Pine Bush Hook & Ladder Company. At 5:45pm the Garden of Hope will be dedicated and at 6:00pm the special lap for all cancer survivors will take place. PLEASE pass the word this is a wonderful event for those who have survived cancer & their loved ones. At 8:30pm we will have our luminary ceremony to honor & remember those we have lost to cancer. For more information contact Donna Henke at 8457448017.



Pentecost Sunday marks the day when the Holy Spirit descended upon the Apostles. *"When the day of Pentecost came, all the believers were gathered together in one place. Suddenly there was a noise from the sky which sounded like a strong wind blowing, and it filled the whole house where they were sitting. Then they saw what looked like tongues of fire which spread out and touched each person there. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to talk in other languages, as the Spirit enabled them to speak (Acts 2:1-4).*

On Pentecost Sunday, when the Holy Spirit descended upon the Apostles, they were granted the Gifts of the Holy Spirit:

The Gift of Wisdom is our ability to value spiritual things over worldly ones. It enables us to desire the things of God and correctly order the things in our life. This gift helps us view the world through God's perspective and the light of our faith. It instills a desire to contemplate the things of God.

The Gift of Understanding helps us grasp the truths of the faith more easily and profoundly. Our human intellect cannot grasp all of God's mysteries, but through the gift of understanding we can be lead to truth, even when we do not fully comprehend. This gift strengthens our insight through prayer, scripture, and the sacraments.

The Gift of Right Judgment/Counsel acknowledges the difference between right and wrong and bestows proper judgment. A person with right judgment avoids sin and leads a life for Christ. Counsel inspires us to speak up and encourage others to do the correct thing. It bestows upon us prudence, allowing us to act promptly and rightly in the face of difficult situations.

The Gift of Courage sustains our decision to follow the will of God in any situation. It allows us to stand up and defend our faith, even when threatened by bodily injury or death. This gift allows us to be steadfast in our decisions to do well and to endure evil even when we do not want to.

The Gift of Knowledge is awareness of God's plan. It is not simply an accumulation of facts, but rather an understanding of God's purpose and how we ought to respond. Knowledge helps bring to light the temptations that we face, and to discern whether to give in or live a life worthy of God's approval.

The Gift of Piety or reverence is our obedience to God and our willingness to serve him. It is not just obedience through a sense of duty or obligation, but rather obedience out of love and devotion. It facilitates a deeper respect and honor for God and His Church.

The Gift of Wonder and Awe makes us aware of the glory and majesty of God. This gift is also synonymous with the "Fear of the Lord", in which we dread sin and fear offending God. We fear displeasing God and losing our connection with him because of our love for Him. Wonder and awe increases our desire to draw closer to God and depart from sin.

Pentecost Occurs 50 days after Easter and 10 days after the Ascension of Jesus Christ. Pentecost is also known as the "the Birthday of the Church." It fulfills Jesus' promise to send the "Counselor" and Spirit of Truth" (*John 16:5-15*). Pentecost launches the large-scale spreading of the Gospel after Jesus' ascension. Acts 2:41 records that after Peter spoke to the crowd after receiving the Holy Spirit, some 3,000 people were baptized. Jews also celebrate Pentecost, but not for the same reason as Christians. The celebration by Jews of Pentecost is to observe God giving the Ten Commandments to Moses on Mount Sinai 50 days after the Exodus. The Pentecost in Jewish tradition takes place 50 days after Passover. In Western Churches, Pentecost is usually represented with the color red, which symbolizes the fire of the Holy Spirit.