

Church of the Infant Saviour

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August 16, 2015

20th Sunday In Ordinary Time

Infant Saviour, Pine Bush



Our Lady of the Valley, Walker Valley



CHURCH LEADERSHIP:

Father S. Niranjan Rodrigo - Administrator

Deacon Jack Carr

Deacon Frank Rose

Deacon Frank Rose - Trustee

Dr. Richard Reich - Trustee

Deacon Jack Carr – Parish Council President

Mrs. Patricia Ditzio – Parish Secretary/Notary Public

PARISH OFFICE HOURS: Monday, Wed– Friday
Mon, Wed-Fri 9:00 AM– 4:00 PM, & Tues. 9AM-6PM (744-2391)

MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday Evening: 5PM-Pine Bush

Sunday: 8:00 AM – Walker Valley

9:30AM & 11:15AM – Pine Bush

1st & 3rd Sunday of each month 2PM: Spanish Mass-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 third 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.

ADULT BAPTISMS:

We use the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 5329:

Meets the first Thursday of the month in the Church call Charlie Cino at 744-6174.

EDUCATION & YOUTH LEADERSHIP:

Religious Education Office – 744-9944

Mrs. Gail Baumann – Coordinator

Mrs. Jeanette Coates – Secretary

ADULT FAITH FORMATION:

Gail Baumann, Coordinator 744-9944

CATHOLIC YOUTH ORGANIZATION:

Jeanette & Don Coates

Lula & Michael Tartaglione

744-9944

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

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: August 15, 2015

8:00AM:

5:00PM: John Mills (Schultz Family)

Week of August 16, 2015

Sun: 8:00AM: George Oswald

(His Daughter Florence Smith & Family)

9:30AM: Gail Baumann (L) (Gillian Batchasingh)

11:15AM:

2:00PM: Consuelo Aguilar (her family Beatrice Avila)

Mon: 8:00AM: John Fay (L) (His Mother Mary Fay)

Tues: 8:00AM: Rose Fanelli (Nora & Francis Fanelli)

Wed: 8:00AM: Miriam & Michael Seman (L) (55th Anniversary)

Thur: 8:00AM: Andrew Gallagher & Elizabeth Witzke (Mary Fay)

Fri: 8:00AM:

Sat: 8:00AM: Bernard & Bonnie Wysocki (Their Daughter)

5:00PM: Smitty Northrop (Virginia & Lou Gallart)

Week of August 23, 2015

Sun: 8:00AM: Ruth Jordan

9:30AM: Deacon Raymond Hodges

(Happy Birthday In Heaven) (His Wife Fran & Family)

11:15AM: Domingo Rodrigues (Happy Birthday In Heaven)

(Daughter, Grandchildren & Great Grandchildren)

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

Readings: August 23, 2015

First Reading: Joshua 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b (122B)

Psalm: 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19, 20-21

Second Reading: Ephesians 5:21-32 or 5:2a, 25-32

Gospel: John 6:60-69

Senacle 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

Mass Intentions: If you wish to have a Mass said you can call or stop by the Parish Office to schedule Mass(es) needed – Phone # 744-2391. You may also reserve an unannounced Mass for \$5.00
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: Darlene Schulz, Steven Pondi, Ellie Carter, Ashley Barco, Baby Sean, Michael Thompson, Michelle Condenzio, John Araneo, Roland Mora, Helen Dennedy, George Burrow, Joan Moschetto, Michael Martino, Annie Napolitano, Herbert Black, Theresa Madigan, Harry Brown, Pat Matteo, Jeffrey Selear, Bob Carlson, Colleen Minik, Jack Botta, George Rescigno, Matthew Schaffner, William Meyers, Richard Tanagretta, Diane DeGatano, Doris Bennett, Jeanie Kane, Alexander Elia, Bob Broughal, Ed Gatzen, Thomas Fitzsimmons, Edward Staff, Mary A. Thomas, John McPhillips, Rose Marie Cahill, Kathy Ross-Collins, Rose Marie Wilkins, John Giuliano Joseph Manfredi, Jill Westerfield Davis, Dorothy Klauss, Terrence Mahoney, Anthony Gordon, John Araneo, Kurt Schaffner, Eric Maurin, Roland Rossi and Baby Jimmy Dennedy.

Please remember in your prayers all the loved ones in our Parish who have gone to eternal rest especially Regina Schelin, Thomas Nendze and Catherine Tancredi

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) Ryan Gordon (Navy); 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) Jon M. Donofrio (Marines); Michael Ditzio (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 (T/Sgt., Air Force), Casey Fay (1st. Lt., Army), Brian Daniel Gray (Marines), Devin Masiero (Marines), William LaCovara (Air Force)

PLEASE PRAY: 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.

From the Pastor, Pope Francis's Warn about Pure Reliance on Science and Technology

Cardinal Turkson of the *Pontifical Council for Justice and Peace* at the United Nations stated that Pope Francis did not write *Laudato Si* on climate change. According to this encyclical, not only climate change has become a main ethical challenge of the 21st century, but also the issues of poverty and inequality. Thus, it is not correct to reduce the message of it just to the concerns on climate or environmental. Fundamentally, it is an encyclical that speaks about justice for the whole humanity. "Integral ecology" is a vision, which is at the heart of it. True justice represents the natural world as a gift of creator God.

And so, in some sense, the purpose of the encyclical is to link the relationship between human and natural ecology based on a contemplative and prayerful attitude. The encyclical can be compare to a hymn that speaks about the vision of the Creator God and His creation as a gift of love. In the second chapter of the encyclical, which is deeply rooted in Holy Scriptures, Pope Francis mentions that the ultimate destiny of the universe is in the fullness of God (Eph. 1:10).

This significant encyclical, *Laudato Si* touched me so much since it speaks about the impact that the field of science can have on religious or spiritual beliefs. I also see how meaningful this encyclical can be since it draws valuable insights from an immense range of sources. It looks to St. Francis of Assisi and St. Bonaventure, as well as St. Thomas Aquinas. Then, it also looks to the insights of Eastern Christian traditions. It even quotes spiritual traditions of Sufi Mystics and the teachings of twentieth-century thinkers, like Teilhard de Chardin and Romano Guardini. Also, it refers to secular documents such as the Rio Declaration from 1992 and the 2000 Earth Charter.

Having a holistic approach to some extent, the encyclical presumes full respect for the human person. But, it also call humanity to be concerned for the world around it and to take into account the nature of each being and of its mutual connection in an ordered system (no. 8). In that way, in a scientifically and technologically progressive culture, what kind of world do we want to leave to those who come after us or to children who are now growing up? (no. 160) In this encyclical, Pope Francis has made it clear by stating,

The Church does not presume to settle scientific questions or to replace politics. But, I am concerned to encourage an honest and open debate so that particular interests or ideologies will not prejudice the common good (no. 188).

Further, Pope Francis warns us about the risk of being in reliance on purely technological solutions. He clearly states that just because we become so capable of doing something so fast because of the progress in science and technology, it does not mean that we should do it.

It can be said that many problems of today's world stem from the tendency, at times unconscious, to make the method and aims of science and technology an epistemological paradigm which shapes the lives of individuals and the workings of society. The effects of imposing this model on reality as a whole, human and social, are seen in the deterioration of the environment, but this is just one sign of a reductionism which affects every aspect of human and social life (no. 106).

In that sense, what can we say about our faith, the nature, and the ongoing scientific inventions at a moment when skepticism, atheism, agnosticism, and nihilism dominate our present culture? Do religious insights that we believe relate to this advancing scientific knowledge?

The relationship between religion and science has been a subject of study that was addressed by philosophers, theologians, scientists, and other professionals. Albert Einstein stated that science without religion is lame and religion without science is blind. Such types of sayings of the learned tell us that religion and science needs to work together and are necessary ton make a balance in everyone's lives. While scientific studies mostly acknowledge evidence based on empirical studies and reasoning, the field of religion includes truths that are being revealed, truths based on faith, and sacredness of them. At the same time, religious beliefs can also acknowledge the need of the metaphysical and philosophical explanations in order to understanding the natural world.

There can be some people who are not religious or spiritual because their minds are based only on evidence and reasoning in understanding revealed truths. They may have a hard time to grasp religious or spiritual insights since the truths that are being revealed may not be tangible. In some sense, science needs religion as much as religion needs science. Science is necessary for critical thinking. Since religious beliefs and spirituality nourishes the soul, there need to be a balance between theology and science for a healthy function of humanity.

Today, not only those who are skeptics, agnostics, or atheists try to deny or obscure or misinterpret the nature and the teachings of our Christian faith. Even believers or some Christians have debated the nature of our faith. There is nothing wrong to analyze what we believe critically and even scientifically. There is nothing wrong to question about our faith in this age of reasoning and scientific investigation and technological advance. But, we need to humble ourselves to acknowledge the limits of our human knowledge in understanding the mysteries of the whole creation, the cosmos, and God who created them. It is good to ask whether the non-believers, atheists, agnostics, or the skeptics believe that science will be able to answer all questions of life and the cosmos. If they believe that science is an endless process of continuously growing knowledge, then does that mean there will be unanswered questions in our reasoning and knowledge? This may imply that none of us can ever grasp through our limited experience, knowledge, and reasoning, a complete understanding of God, salvation in Christ, and the mysteries of creation.

When it comes to the understanding about the unique revelations of God, especially the reality of the Resurrected Christ, it is mostly in the outside the realm of scientific investigation. The philosophical thinker, John Lennox in *Science and Ethics* writes that our human reasoning or science cannot provide us with a reliable method to decide whether what we believe as believers is true or false. What we believe as believers cannot be demonstrated scientifically or prove historically. And so, religion and science can work together. Both are necessary to make a balance in everyone's lives and to create a healthy ecological integrity.

Fr. Niranjana Rodrigo

Orange Regional Medical is in need for Eucharistic Ministers of Holy Communion Anyone who is a Eucharistic Minister or anyone who would like to become a Eucharistic Minister and would like to join the Ministry please call the Parish Office. If you are commissioned and in good standing you can call Deacon Trapani at 845-343-1014 or rtrapani@ormc.org.

Religious Ed News:

Wine and Cheese - Meet and Greet your other Catechists. 6:30PM on August 18th in the Church Hall, RSVP 744-9944. It is important that you respond no later than Friday August 14th.

We are looking for volunteers to help with Special Education Students. Applicants must be gentle, kind, patient and love young children. If interested please contact Gail Baumann at 744-9944 ext. 11 for an interview.

Communion & Confirmation Pictures can be picked up at the Religious Ed Office

Walker Valley Catholic Society News:

- Sept. 15: **Meeting:** (Tues. 6 PM) Tricky Tray Social Plans/Finalize Business Donations
- Oct. 6 **Meeting:** (Tues. 6 PM) Final Plans for Tricky Tray Social
- Oct. 13: **Tricky Tray Basket Workshop:** 4-6 PM
- Oct. 18 **Fall Coffee Hour/Tricky Tray Baskets** due

COLLECTIONS:	2015	2014
Sunday Collection 08/09/2015 (ParishPay included)	\$4,541.00	\$5,374.96

Thank you for your generosity.

Collections for the Month of August 2015

- August 2: Weekly/Home Mission-Latin America
- August 9: Weekly/Building Fund
- August 15: Feast of the Assumption
- August 16: Weekly
- August 23: Weekly/Maintenance
- August 30: Weekly

ParishPay is the best means available of supporting our parish. Currently, we have 96 families in our Parish participating and we would like to grow that number. Often times as we're preparing to head out to Mass, we forget to put money or a check in our envelope and decide to postpone giving until the following week when we can give two envelopes. But any delay in tithing could potentially hinder the parish from paying its bills in a timely fashion. With Parish Pay, there is no delay. Even if you can't make the Mass due to inclement weather, Parish Pay ensures that your giving to Infant Saviour will be available to the parish when it's needed most. It's a more consistent way of giving and it enables the parish to better calculate what amount will be coming in which makes things easier on the parish financially. 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 a secure and confidential way to tithe. Once you've seen the Parish Pay website, you realize just how quick and easy it is to modify your giving or even stop it entirely should you run into some sort of financial difficulty and find yourself unable to give. The quickest way to enroll is by using the website www.parishpay.com, or calling the Parish Office 744-2391 x10. 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 the 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.**

Do you want to grow in holiness but to busy? Want to transform your work, your marriage, your family and your life but do not have time -- if you are looking for a simple way to be spiritually renewed, develop a deeper relationship with our Merciful Savior, and grow in holiness join us for the **33 Days to Morning Glory** small group retreat. Starting on September 4th, Friday, at 10:00AM or at 7PM -- 33 Days to Morning Glory may be the answer. You can register after each Mass or by calling 744-2391

Volunteers needed to help Mary who is a Parishioner during the day. She fell and badly fractured her shoulder. She will need help for the next 8 weeks. If you can spare a couple of hours a day please call 744-2778 or the Parish Office at 744-2391 ext. 10. Thank you.

Life Line Screening: Join the nearly 8 million people who have been screened for early detection of stroke, diabetes, heart disease. Life Line Screening has partnered with over 150 hospitals across the country. Why? Because the ultrasound screenings that they offer can help save your life. A stroke occurs in the US every 40 seconds, yet 80% of the strokes can be prevented. 1 in 3 with diabetes do not know they have it. Heart disease is the #1 killer among adults in the US, but heart disease is preventable and controllable. Life Line Screening will be back here at Infant Saviour Church on September 4, 2015. Pre-Registration is required. Call 1-888-653-6450 or visit www.lifelinescreening.com/community-partners to register for your appointment and to receive a special \$10 discount. Registration forms have been placed in both Churches for you to pick up and fill out and sent in to Life Line Screening.

If you are not a registered Parishioner and would like to register or have a change of address please fill out form and drop in collection basket or mail to the Rectory.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP:	Date: _____
Name _____	
Street _____	
City _____	Zip _____
Phone No. _____	
Check <input type="checkbox"/> New Registration receive envelopes <input type="checkbox"/> Change of Address <input type="checkbox"/> Moving out of Parish	

40 Days For Life: Sept. 23- Nov. 1, 2015. "40 Days for Life" is a peaceful, highly-focused, non denominational initiative that focuses on 40 days of prayer and fasting, peaceful vigil at abortion facilities, and grassroots educational outreach with the goal of protecting mothers and their children from abortion. Since 2007 at least 10,331 unborn children have been saved from abortion during "40 Days for Life" campaigns, and 60 abortion facilities have closed. To learn more visit www.40daysforlife.com For Information about participating in the "40 Days for Life" campaigns in the Archdiocese, contact the following leaders Newburgh: Wendy Wood (845) 492-6709 RachelMinister@aol.com or Goshen: Kathy Taylor (845) 238-0536 ktaylor1124831@yahoo.com.

We would like to offer our heartfelt thanks and blessings to Sue & John Bardin for supplying and placing down the mulch for Our Church gardens. It makes for a lovely display and helps to beautify our beloved Church.

2015 Columbus Day Mass at St. Patrick's Cathedral will be celebrated on Monday, October 12, 2015 at 9:30AM. For tickets email - columbusday@archny.org, Fr. Robert Aufieri, c/o The Italian Apostolate at 9:15AM, the Cathedral will be opened to non-ticket holders.

Flocknote Update – Next Phase

Flocknote is a communication tool provided free by the Archdiocese of New York to all of its parishes. This tool has been used in the past and will continue to be used not only to keep various ministry groups within the parish connected and informed but also to keep the entire faith community up to date. Today we are beginning to pass out an open enrollment card at all the masses as well as put the directions to enroll in the parish bulletin. In order to enroll yourself in the Flocknote database, all you need to do is, with your cell phone, text the signup keyword: INFSAVPB to the key number 84576 or visit: flocknote.com/infantpinebush. Once you do this, simply follow the directions from the reply text messages or the directions on the website.

That's it! God Bless You! Your Servant in Christ, *Deacon Jack Carr*



BACK PACK FOR KIDS:

It has been extended that the Last pick up for the supplies will be on Tuesday August 18th. Also, If people prefer, they can purchase and donate a gift card to a store such as Staples, Wal-Mart, Rite Aid, or any store that sells school supplies, and our troop will happily do the shopping for them. Please call Janice Barth at 845-800-5669.

Thank you in advance for your generosity and support for this most worthy program! Gratefully, Girl Scout Troop 711
School Supplies that are needed: Backpacks, marble notebooks, pencils, pens(blue or black pens, no red please), glue sticks, box of 24 crayons, loose leaf paper, 3 ring binders, rulers and pocket folders Thank you!!

HOLY HUMOR



A missionary heard about a native who had five wives. "you are violating a law of God," he said, "so you must go and tell four of those women they can no longer live here or consider your their husband." The native thought a few moments, then said "Me wait here. You tell 'em."