

Church of the Infant Saviour

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January 17, 2016

2nd Sunday In Ordinary Time

Infant Saviour, Pine Bush



CHURCH LEADERSHIP:

Father S. Niranjan Rodrigo - Pastor
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.

Our Lady of the Valley, Walker Valley



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: January 16, 2016

8:00AM:

5:00PM: Thomas Matthews, Jr. (Giannini Family)

Week of January 17, 2016

Sun: 8:00AM: Albert Tremper (Pat & Jim Gluszak)

9:30AM: Smitty Northrop (1st Anniversary In Heaven)
(His Wife, Son and Grandson)

11:15AM: Madeline Rispoli (LaCovara Family)

Mon: 8:00AM: Fr. Joel (Healing)(Parish Community)

Tues: 8:00AM: Alexander Blazeski (Gram Watkins & Family)

Wed: 8:00AM: Elena Purchio (Her Family)

Thur: 8:00AM: All Souls In Purgatory

Fri: 8:00AM:

Sat: 8:00AM:

5:00PM: Bob Turnbull (John & Sue Bardin & Family)

Week of January 24, 2016

Sun: 8:00AM: Ronnie Morgan (Luis & Marie Aponte)

9:30AM: Florence Bardin (William Bardin)

11:15AM: Jean Murnane (Ken & Nancy Finnegan)

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

SANCTUARY LAMP:

In Loving Memory of Alexander Blazeski

Requested by Auntie & Uncle & Family

Readings: January 24, 2016

First Reading: Nehemiah 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10 (69C)

Psalm: 19:8, 9, 10, 15

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:12-30 or 12:12-14, 27

Gospel: Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21

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.

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.

Kenacle 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

Please pray for the sick: John Araneo, Roland Mora, Helen Denny, 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, Rose Marie Wilkins, John Giuliano, Joseph Manfredi, Jill Westerfield Davis, Dorothy Klauss, Anthony Gordon, John Araneo, Eric Maurin, Roland Rossi, Kurt Schaffner, Frank Rispoli, Baby Giovanni Padilla and Natalie Saft.

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); (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), Gerardo Balsa (Airforce)

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.

CYO :

CYO will be holding a meeting **on the first** Wednesday of every month after school. Please join us.

Importance of Hope

It is our common understanding that in order to make a New Year that we have already begun meaningful, we need to have some hope for the future. And there is a capacity in any human person to imagine a better future. We can always hope against the present situation that we are in for a better future. A new year calls us to learn to live hopefully.

Whatever, resolution of New Year that we may have, life may appear to be difficult to many who live in today's world. The front page of any newspaper or any newscast in the radio or any news channel on television most of the times may give us the idea that we live in the worst time. Endless wars, devastating natural disasters, increasing poverty in most part of the world, spreading of crimes that have become uncontrolled, plunging stock market, disfunctionality in most families, etc may show us a world that is filled with misery, unstableness, and restlessness. It seems that it is hard to achieve a clear sense of purpose in life, a true sense of community, and life filled with peace. For instance, although instance messages are sent around the globe, there appears to be increasing feelings of loneliness and isolation.

Some think that having goals, purpose, or resolutions may be enough to step into a fulfilled life. But, in reality having goals and resolutions are not always enough. It is because a person has to keep getting closer to those goals, amidst all the inevitable twists and turns of life. Here comes the significance of one of the important emotions and especially an important theological virtue: Hope. In some instance, in order to have faith and start looking for a path to follow, we need to have hope.

Most of the time, any religious speaker or a preacher will use the terms like, faith, hope, and love in their preaching or teaching. Even within self help circles, the word, hope is used on a regular basis. Hope is like water or oxygen, without which we no longer can live. Today, more than ever the world needs hope. St. Paul said that love always hopes. He placed hope alongside faith and love.

According to some authors, hopeful people differ from some other people in some respect. Individuals who are hopeful have the ability to envision a broader range of goals and managing crises than others who live in despair and of a negative mind. Also, individuals with hope may have greater will power and energy in pursuing their goals and solving their problems. In some psychological point of view, hope allows people to approach their problems with a successful mindset and strategy. And so, there can be increasing chances that they have a possibility of accomplishing their goals. Also, some other researches through their findings show us that hope leads to everything from better performance to more success in the workplace and then overall to experiencing happiness.

Most people understand hope as wishful thinking, as they express, "I hope something good will happen." Or some say, "I don't know what's going to happen, but I hope it happens." This is not what the Bible means when it speaks about, "hope." Especially, the definition of hope in Christian point of view is far different to that of the world. Instead of wishing or hoping for something to happen, a believer knows that their hope is solid. It appears that the word, hope is found in the whole Bible over 180 times. One of the definitions of hope in the Bible is "confident expectation." St. Paul in his letter to the Romans states, "Hope is a firm assurance regarding things that are unclear and unknown (Romans 8:24-25). According to the letter to the Hebrew, the Christian has a hope, which is the assurance of things hoped for and a belief in things unseen." (Heb 11:1) Christian hope can be described as putting our trust in the promises of God in reference to something that is going to happen in accordance to His will. In other sense, Christian hope can be like a confidence that something will come to pass because God has promised that it will come to pass. In that way, Christian hope gives us purpose and hope and it keeps us alive.

Thus, we come to know how important the virtue of 'hope' is as a powerful driving force for our living. Hope helps us to deal with feelings of helplessness, alienation, and fear with positive attitudes. It is an essential element of our spiritual life since it becomes almost lifeblood that tells us that life can be better for us. I believe that more than ever, the world needs hope. In the Hebrew Scriptures it is clearly stated, "Without hope, life loses its meaning (Lamentations 3:18; Job 7:6).

Fr. Niranjana Rodrigo, Ph.D.

We want to thank Dave & Mariam Vasseur for a job well done of building a ramp for the front of our Church. Your work and dedication for your Church is greatly appreciated. *Fr. Niranjan Rodrigo*

Holy Year of Mercy Prayer:

Send your Spirit and consecrate every one of us with its anointing, so the Jubilee of Mercy may be a year of grace from the Lord and your church.

With renewed enthusiasm bring good news to the poor, proclaim liberty to captives and the oppressed and restore sight to the blind.

We ask this through the intercession of Mary, Mother of Mercy, you who live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit forever and ever. Amen.

"Let us remember the Golden Rule:

Do Unto Others, as You would have them do Unto You." *Pope Francis*

2016 CHURCH ENVELOPES: Please note that the Church envelopes for each family registered to receive their yearly box can be found, placed in alphabetical order by family's last name on tables in the Church Hall this weekend. Please pick up your box. If you do not see your box or would like to receive a yearly box please call the Parish Office at 744-2391 x10.

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.

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 available. 744-2391 ext. 10

St. John's School in Goshen will be hosting Open Houses on the following dates and time: Following the 12:00PM Mass on Sunday January 31st -- 1-3PM; and on February 2, 9:00AM-11:00AM and 6:30PM-8:30PM.

Collections: **2016** **2015**

Sunday Collection 01/10/2016	\$5,637.68	\$5,925.93
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(ParishPay Included)

Thank you for your generosity.

Collections for the Month of January

January 1: New Year Solemnity

January 3: Weekly/Catholic Communications

January 10: Weekly/Building Fund

January 17: Weekly

January 24: Weekly/Maintenance

January 31: Weekly

ParishPay is the best means available of supporting our parish. Currently, we have 70 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 Abundant.

62nd U.S. National Rosary Pilgrimage to Lourdes, France (Also visiting St. Jean DeLuz & Gavarnic): June 26-July 5, 2016. Accompanied by a Medical Staff, Clergy and Volunteers to assist the needs of the Pilgrims. For details, contact Fr. Joseph Allen, O.P. email: allenop@opfriars.org or the Lourdes Pilgrimage Office: Toll free 1-877-276-7279, email: lourdespilgrimageoffice@comcast.net. Website www.lourdes-pilgrimage.com THE DEADLINE FOR RESERTIONS IS MARCH 25, 2016.

The Knights of Columbus will be hosting a Mardi Gras party/dance on Saturday



February 6 at 7:30PM in the Church Hall. \$20.00 per person -- food and music provided. Tickets will be presold. Call Charlie Cino at 744-6174, Joe Ditizio 917-859-6383 or the Parish Office at 744-2391 ext. 10.

costumes are optional

The art of
MARDI GRAS
fine food

and a fun evening!