

Church of the Infant Saviour

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January 24, 2016

3rd 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 23, 2016

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)

Mon: 8:00AM:

Tues: 8:00AM: Thomas Fay (Happy Birthday In Heaven)
(Mary Fay)

Wed: 8:00AM:

Thur: 8:00AM:

Fri: 8:00AM:

Sat: 8:00AM:

5:00PM: Alex Rey, Jr. (Stephen & Maria Wise)

Week of January 31, 2016

Sun: 8:00AM: Evelyn Robotti (Luis & Marie Aponte)

9:30AM: Mae Dunn (Gail Baumann & Family)

11:15AM: Madeline Tesseyman (Ken & Nancy Finnegan)

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

SANCTUARY LAMP:

For The Healing of Rose Marie Wilkins

Requested by The Ditizio Family

Readings: January 31, 2016

First Reading: Jeremiah 1:4-5, 17-19 (72C)

Psalms: 71:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 15, 17

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:31 -- 13:13 or 13:4-13

Gospel: Luke 4:21-30

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) 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 Pasucci (USMC), CPT Jennifer Pasucci, (Army); Michael Haffner (Airforce), Heather Owey (1st Lt. Army), John A. Burrow (Air Force), Breana Mangold (Navy), Christopher Mangold (Navy), Christopher Chase (Ensign, Navy), Nicholas G. Burrow (Air Force), 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 – Experience of Hope as a Blessing in Ancient Times

In the last bulletin column, I wrote a brief article on the **importance of hope** as a concept that has the ability to help people to experience healing. In many occasions we can find the word “hopeless” as something appearing in suicide notes. If we take away the concept of hope, the world that we live in will be reduced to something between depressions and despair. Although hope is accepted as the one that stirs the soul and that moves humanity, most of the literature seems rare to incorporate insights about hope. Even there is not much attention given to this important emotion in the text books of psychology other than self-help literature. But, still we can find some rich insights on hope that are left to us by great literary figures and artists throughout history.

It is good to have some understanding of the thought patterns and beliefs of the ancient human beings in order to understand hopes and expectations of human nature. It may not be less than 50,000,000 years since humankind appeared on earth. During most of that time, human beings had been without writing. And so, we do not find a clear record of their thought patterns and beliefs earlier than 5000 years. And yet, all that we know about pre-historic thoughts and beliefs systems of human beings come to us from the archaeological evidences. These evidences are based on the surviving objects of pottery, tools, weapons, tombs, buildings, and others that have been excavated from the ruins of ancient cities. They tell us that the pre-historic people had their own expectations, hopes, and beliefs. Though they lived in a very primitive way, they supposedly had believed in the immortality of the soul and deities and hopes of life after death. As a part of their funeral rites, they buried their dead family members along with their personal objects in order to aid their spirits in the next life.

Gradually, during later years humankind began to understand and believe that the “gift of hope” can heal the wounds of humanity. The reality of this fact can be found in ancient literature, history, and art. The ancient Romans believed and revered the daffodil as a symbol of hope and renewal. Today, the *American and Canadian Cancer Societies* consider the bright yellow daffodil (one of the first flowers of spring) as the official symbol of hope. *Daffodil Days* are being held in every march in United States and in Canada. The atheist, Jean-Paul Sartre said shortly before his death that he so strongly resisted feelings of despair that he would try to convince himself by saying, “I know I shall die in hope.”

The concept of hope as a powerful blessing appears in ancient Greek mythology, specifically, in the myth of the “box of Pandora” in the story of Zeus, Lord of the gods and Prometheus. This myth is considered as one of the most descriptive myths of human behaviour in Greek mythology. It also speaks about the hidden nature of “hope” (Eplis) and why evil exists in the world. As the story goes, Prometheus stole heat and light (fire) from Zeus and the heavens to give to humankind. This act of theft infuriated Zeus, the supreme god and he wanted to punish people. In turn, Zeus created a box that contained all manners of evil or evil spirits. Hope was laid at the bottom of the box. This fact of existence of evil in the box was kept hidden to one who received the box. The gods gave this beautiful box to the first mortal woman on earth, known as Pandora. Beautiful Pandora was created by gods with the order of Zeus as a punishment to humankind. She was warned by gods never to open the box. And yet since Pandora was so curious, she happened to open the box. Then, all those evils; old age, sickness, death, envy, hate, famine, vice, greed, and lies were released into the world. When Pandora became so scared since she saw all the evil coming out, she tried to close the box as fast as possible. But, it was too late and the box became almost empty. Then, only ‘the gift of hope,’ which lay at the bottom of the box, remained inside almost unnoticed. Therefore, “hope” became the only blessing to console and assist humankind in their confrontation with upheavals, suffering, and pain that were unleashed.

The above story came from Greek mythology which shows us that it was mostly through the emotion of hope that humankind tried to gain help. In ancient people’s life, element of hope could be seen as a strong belief that life could win from disastrous evil forces. Thus, hope is seen as a basic factor of life from the primitive people to present human beings. And, it can be our natural human inclination to look for hope from surviving to living when disaster strikes and for healing. Karl Menninger who is one of the great psychiatrists of the twentieth century believed that hope was an essential component of the healing process. Hope made all the difference in the world.

Fr. Niranjan Rodrigo, Ph.D

Orange Regional Medical Center's Pastoral Care

Department is reaching out to all Eucharistic Ministers of Holy Communion and commissioned in their local parishes to join the Hospital Ministry by bringing Holy Communion to the Catholic patients within the Hospital. Any interested Eucharistic Ministers of Holy Communion can contact Deacon Trapani at 845-343-1014 or rtrapani@ormc.org. Also anyone interested in becoming a Eucharistic Minister can call the Parish Office 744-2391 ext. 10.

2016 CHURCH ENVELOPES: Please note that Church envelopes for each family registered to receive their yearly box that have not been picked up can be found in the Parish Office, please stop by or call the Parish Office at 744-2391 x10.

Collections:	2016	2015
Sunday Collection 01/17/2016 (ParishPay Included)	\$5,277.68	\$5,040.04

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.



Saint Mary's Washingtonville

Saturday February 6th -- Come for a Two for One....

Teen retreat starts at 3:45pm at massive tent at Food Pantry next to Church --

Includes talks, Mass, dinner, and Adoration Adult Retreat (separate and optional)

also starts at 3:45pm at Church --Both retreats end at 8:30pm...

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 are 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.

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

raffles

The art of
MARDI GRAS
fine food

and a fun evening!