

Church of the Infant Saviour

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January 31, 2016

4th 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 30, 2016

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)

Mon: 8:00AM: Mary Bateman (Joe Reeves)

Tues: 8:00AM: Rose Marie Wilkins (Eleanor & Steve Speier)

Wed: 8:00AM: Andrew Gallagher (Happy Birthday In Heaven)
(Mary Fay)

Thur: 8:00AM:

Fri: 8:00AM: Alexander Blazeski (Gillian Batchasingh)

Sat: 8:00AM:

5:00PM: Bob Turnbull (Arlene Murray)

Week of February 7, 2016

Sun: 8:00AM: Albert Tremper (Walker Valley Catholic Society)

9:30AM: Louis Bardin (William Bardin)

11:15AM: Madeline Rispoli (Eileen & Kara Fleming & Family)

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

SANCTUARY LAMP:

In Loving Memory of Marie Solimine

Happy Birthday In Heaven

Requested by: Her Daughter Yolanda & Family

Readings: February 7, 2016

First Reading: Isaiah 6:1-2a, 3-8 (75C)

Psalms: 138:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 7-8

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11 or 15:3-8, 11

Gospel: Luke 5:1-11

Ash Wednesday is on February 10th. Masses will be held at 8AM and 7PM. There will also be two Services held -- one at 12PM and the other at 4PM which will be for the Religious Education students.

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 Denedy, 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 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 (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 (Master Sergeant, 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 **today after the 11:15AM Mass.**

Importance of Hope – Philosophical Perspectives of Hope

In studying the thoughts and beliefs of primitive people we come to know that there is an inborn transcendental ability in human beings towards eternal. They are not always imprisoned in the past and the present. And this inborn ability towards eternal always leads them to live in expectation of something in the future. Certain contemporary philosophers tried to categorize this inborn ability in the category of “becoming.” Although the **concept of hope** is not in much usage in philosophical studies, it involves certain indirect philosophical thinking. Human beings want to achieve more and more as they strain towards an ever increasing fulfillment, which is something transcendental. Concept of hope is what pushes human beings to the future.

The great **German philosopher Emmanuel Kant**, who presented modern philosophy, falls into the category of “hope philosophers.” He began to think carefully about the nature of the human knowledge. In his influential work, *Critique of Pure Reason*, which became one of the greatest masterpieces of philosophy, Kant argues that all philosophy ultimately aims at answering three questions: “What can I know? What should I do? What may I hope?” Kant hardly preoccupied with the third question of hope: “**What may I hope?**” This is a question of human being’s self-transcending movement toward his future. His answer to the third question was through his doctrine of the *immortality of the soul*. In his doctrine of the immortality of the soul, Kant states that the soul is immortal because immortal duration is alone sufficient for the complete fulfillment of the moral law. The highest perfection that a human being can attain in this life, according to Kant, is virtue. But, since the virtue is essentially incomplete in itself, it is striving towards “holiness.” Kant further states that it is the moral law that will help the soul of human person to strive towards holiness. And this striving towards holiness is our hope according to Kant. Holiness is the highest perfection that a human person can achieve on this earth. So that human beings continually hope to achieve this state of holiness. Unfortunately, this doctrine of Kant has been disregarded as philosophy with insufficient approach by later philosophers.

Then, when it comes to the contemporary philosophy, we find many philosophical contributions in relations to hope. I especially like the insights of the founder of the existential philosophy, **Soren Kierkegaard** (1813-1855 A.D) with regard to the aspect of hope, although it appears to be too descriptive. Kierkegaard used to react to the speculative philosophy done only by reasoning. It was because, during his era, the minds of the people were full of rational thinking. Therefore, it appeared that they did not look beyond their rational thinking and had forgotten the human aspects of living. For this type of forgotten experience, he gave the name, “loose existence of living” since that way of existing was a very loose way of getting involved in the life experience. It was almost becoming a life without any goal or vision, but simply led by desire.

For this type of meaningless situation of humanity, Kierkegaard reminded that every human being possesses an essential self that he/she ought to actualize. What he means by actualizing is “*coming to being as a human being*” is one thing. And it is a natural event that happens naturally and it cannot be controlled. Then, “*becoming a human being*” is another thing. It pertains in a level of consciousness with decision making. Human beings are responsible in a process of mature decision making. This is a movement in the life of a person from his “essential condition” to his “existential condition.” In other terms, it is a movement from “essence” to “authentic existence” that helps the individuals to realize their **true self**. For Kierkegaard, the process of arriving at the “authentic existence” from “essence” involves three stages: Aesthetic, Ethical, and Religious. The movement from the level of aesthetic to ethical level requires an act of **choice** and **commitment**. Then, the movement to religious level, which entails his relationship to God, is a matter of **faith** and **commitment**. The way to cross the span between humankind and God is through **faith** and not through speculative reasons.

And so, in this process of becoming from “essence” to “authentic existence” **in relation to God** is a matter of **faith** and **commitment**. According to Kierkegaard, faith and commitment involves making definite promises. And these definite promises are made with some “expectation.” **Hope** always goes far beyond expectations of humanity. Human beings want to fulfill themselves and always want to become something or somebody. We can say that it is the “hope” that pushes them to the future. In line with Kierkegaard’s thought on “becoming” I see hope as a basic factor of our life. Without a constant hope a human being cannot move from his essential to his existential condition. Generally, human beings look at life and continue to live not so much in terms of what happened or what is happening, but more so in terms of what human beings are called to become hopefully.

The element of hope is very rich in Christian theology since it is perceived as a theological virtue. The virtue of hope is placed as a relationship between faith and charity. We journey in faith, hope and love.

Fr. Nirajan Rodrigo, Ph.D.

February 12

February 19

February 26

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS WILL BE HELD EVERY
FRIDAY NIGHT DURING LENT AT 6:30PM:**

March 4

March 11

March 18

The Lenten Reconciliation will be held on Monday, March 21, confessions will be heard from 4-8PM

Religious Ed News:

2nd Level: Parent Reconciliation Meeting EJR & PBE with Ray Boswell from 7-9PM in Church.

First Reconciliation EJR- 10AM and PBE 1PM at least one parent must attend.

8th Level: All students and parents must attend Stations of The Cross at 6:30PM.

Collections:	2016	2015
Sunday Collection 01/24/2016	\$5,375.68	\$6,507.72
Maintenance Collection 1/24/2016 (ParishPay Included)	\$1,627.00	

Thank you for your generosity.

Collections for the Month of February

February 7 - Weekly/Peters Pence

February 14- Weekly/Building Fund

February 21- Weekly/Maintenance

February 28 - Weekly/

Undated Easter Flowers

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.paritypay.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.

KOFC LENTEN DINNERS: As part of the Friday Lenten dinner series, the Knights of Columbus will be providing a free linguine dinner on Friday night February 12 (the first Friday during Lent) for all comers in the Church hall. This dinner will be either eat-in or take-out. We will have a sign-up sheet in the back of Church in an attempt to get a head count or you can call the Parish office. There will be linguine marinara or linguine in white clam sauce.

As always the meals will be following the Stations of the Cross which are every Friday during Lent at 6:30 (Except Good Friday). As in the past, future meals will have a nominal cost. Menu particulars will follow in each Sunday's bulletin and there will be a sign-up sheet for each week.

Lenten Parish Mission Lenten Parish Mission will begin on the **Fourth Sunday of Lent**, which is the **6th of March, 2016**.

The mission preacher, **Fr. Norman, S.S.S.** who is a Blessed Sacrament Priest. The Parish Mission is going to take place in the evening at **7:00 p.m. on Sunday (6th of March), Monday (7th of March), and Tuesday (8th of March)**.

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.



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

I want to Thank Ray Schuettich for his Artistic talent in painting the Crucifix on the altar, Gerry Domingue for painting and staining the altar wall and painting the Church, and Dr. Dick Reich for his help for staining the wood on the Cross and all the wood on the Sanctuary. Thank you all for your hard work and dedication to help beautify our Church. *Fr. Niranjan Rodrigo*

40 DAYS FOR LIFE -- Please join the campaign:

Newburgh Planned Parenthood will be kicking off the 7th campaign on Saturday, February 6th @2:00PM. at St. Francis Church, 145 Benkard Avenue, Newburgh. Meeting will be downstairs in the "John Cardinal O'Connor Hall." and for Goshen planned parenthood will be kicking off the 13th campaign on Wednesday February 10th @ 10:00AM on Coates Drive. Due to limited parking will be meeting at Goshen Christian Reformed Church (Route 17A) at 9:40AM to shuttle down to the vigil location. 40 Days for life is a focused pro-life campaign with a vision to access God's power through prayer, fasting & peaceful vigil to end abortion. To end abortion, the first thing we must do is PRAY. Prayer is where we always begin and is the center of 40 Days for Life. Would you please COMMIT to pray for the success of this campaign? "Pray without ceasing" 1 Thessalonians 5:17. Please prayerfully consider standing to Pray at your local abortion facility at: Goshen Planned Parenthood at 7 Coates Drive, Goshen, Campaign hours 7AM-7PM; Campaign Manager: Kathy Taylor 845-238-0536 or ktaylor1124831@gmail.com or Newburgh Planned Parenthood at 136 Lake Street, Newburgh, Campaign hours 7AM-5PM, Campaign Manager is Wendy Wood 845-820-4366 or ocrighnttolife@gmail.com.

Eucharist Adoration will be held in the Mother's Chapel
from 9:00AM-6PM on First Friday, February 5, 2016

Please come and devote some time in Prayer

*In his heart a man plans his course, but the
Lord determines his steps. Proverbs 16:9*

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

and a fun evening!

