

Church of the Infant Saviour

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April 24, 2016

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Infant Saviour, Pine Bush



Our Lady of the Valley, Walker Valley



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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 Ditizio
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 Church, call Charlie Cino 744-6174.

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 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.

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.



I make
all things new.
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Banns of Marriage:
Brooke Scotto & Eric Brylowski

Mass Intentions

Sat: April 23, 2016

Sat: 8:00AM: Ellen Wright (Michael Fenick)
5:00PM: Bob Turnbull (Holts Family)

Week of April 24, 2016

Sun: 8:00AM: Lucy Cortright (Walker Valley Catholic Society)
9:30AM: Thomas Scarpulla (Gail Baumann & Family)
11:15AM: Stella Winnie (Lois Ozga)

Mon: 8:00AM: John Giuliano (Pat & Dorothy Garvey)

Tues: 8:00AM:

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

Thurs: 8:00AM: All Souls In Purgatory

Fri: 8:00AM:

Sat: 8:00AM: Joseph Cotton e (His Family)
5:00PM: Viktor Baumann (His Wife Gail & Family)

Week of May 1, 2016

Sun: 8:00AM: Thomas Scarpulla (Anne Turnbull)
9:30AM: Philip Cruise (Ditizio Family)
11:15AM: Donna Speruzzi (First Anniversary In Heaven)
(John & Celeste Goff)

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

Readings: May 1, 2016

First Reading: Acts of the Apostles 15:1-2, 22-29, (57C)

Psalm: 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8

Second Reading: Revelation 21:10-14, 22-23

Gospel: John 14:23-29

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.

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

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 Gatzten, Edward Staff, Joseph Manfredi, Dorothy Klaus, Anthony Gordon, Eric Maurin, Roland Rossi, Kurt Schaffner, Frank Rispoli, Natalie Saft, Thomas Fitzsimmons, Clare Dougherty and Michael Phillips.

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)

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:

Saturday April 30, **Confirmation Workshop** 8:45-12:30PM ALL STUDENTS MUST ATTEND.

Monday May 2, **Confirmation Sponsor & Candidate** Rehearsal 7-9PM.

7th Level: Last Day of Class is Tuesday, April 26th.

Levels 3-5 PBE: Last day of Class is April 26th

EJR Last day of Class is April 27th.

2nd Level last day of Class PBE May 3 and EJR May 4.

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 BY END OF APRIL, 2016.

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

*Have love
for one another.*



Resurrection of Christ – The Centrality of our Faith

None of the Gospels in the New Testament ends with the passion story of Christ. The outcome of the passion story is His resurrection. Each evangelist fits their proclamation of the resurrection of Jesus into the style and theological perspective of one's Gospel. And none of them described the actual raising of the body of Jesus from death. They themselves show that resurrection of Christ is something beyond what the human mind and human perception can grasp. Thus, their accounts of the resurrection of the Lord respect this mysterious aspect of the resurrection. They were very careful not to make an attempt to describe the mysterious aspect of the resurrection in limited human terms of time and space.

However, though the appearances of Jesus were described in very different fashions by each evangelists and St. Paul, there are common threads that run through these stories. One of the common elements that we can find in them is the affirming of something startling happening to the lives of these early witnesses. Those early witnesses of this unique event had been paralyzed in fear and despair after the death of Jesus. But, as Jesus rose, they became so different and transformed. They were given new life and purpose for their whole living. Further, the Risen Lord commissioned His weak and timid apostles to carry the Gospel to the ends of the earth.

What does it mean when we say that resurrection mean transformation of the whole self? In some ways, it can mean new power and new possibilities of life. Jesus' body was the resurrected body, not a resuscitated body. It was a transformed and an immortal body. Resurrection of Jesus did not mean just the resuscitation of the dead Jesus. Resurrection meant transformation of the whole self. Thus, His appearance was different from when the disciples had known Him before. This could have been the reason that some of the followers had a hard time recognizing Him even when He appeared to them and walking with them.

I think we can see in these stories a metaphor for our lives as Christians. Even as Christians we face fears, anxieties, uncertainties, and even shame in our lives every day. We may wrestle with anxiety, disappointment, and betrayal. Sometimes, it almost feels like Jesus is not present with us anymore. Many times, it may be because of our own doubts and failures that we cannot feel the presence of the Risen Lord. Sometimes we tend to close our hearts, and shutting the world out, and simply become prisoners of our own self-perceptions, sins, and shame. Like the disciples, we try to hide from our shame and disappointments by locking the doors to our hearts.

One of the most important question concerning Jesus is; "Do we think He is dead or alive?" A renowned professor of New Testament, Luke Timothy Johnson observes, "If Jesus is simply dead, there are any number of ways in which we can relate ourselves to His life and accomplishments. And we might even, if some obscure bit of a data should turn up, hope to learn more about Him. But, we cannot reasonably expect to learn more from Him." Further, Johnson says, "If Jesus is alive everything changes. It is no longer a matter of our questioning a historical record, but a matter of our being put in question by one who has broken every rule of ordinary human existence. If Jesus lives, then it must be as life-giver. Jesus is not simply a figure of the past in that case, but a person in the present; not merely a memory that we can analyze and manipulate, but an agent who can confront and instruct us. What we can learn about Him must therefore include what we continue to learn from Him" (Luke Timothy Johnson, *Living Jesus*).

From the very beginning, the resurrection of Jesus was undoubtedly the central proclamation of the early Church. And the earliest Christians were so convinced that they had seen Jesus alive after His death. Jesus indeed was God's favored Son, who is the messiah and the one whose life was the turning point in all of human history.

Fr. Niranjana Rodrigo, Ph.D.

Eucharist Adoration will be held in the
 Mother's Chapel
 from 9AM-6PM on First Friday, May 6, 2016
 Please come and devote some time in Prayer

He is near to those who call to him, who call to him with sincerity. He supplies the needs of those who honor Him; He hears their cries and saves them. Psalm 145:18-19

MOTHER'S DAY CARDS ARE NOW
 AVAILABLE IN BOTH CHURCHES.

Collections:	2016	2015
Sunday Collection 04/17/2016	\$4,509.72	\$5,207.92

(Parishpay included) Thank you for your generosity.

"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.

MAY 7 – World Apostolate of Fatima Shrine, 674 Mountain View Rd., Washington, NJ 07882 **"You, at least, try to console me.."** Fr. **Andrew Apostoli, CFR**, renowned author/speaker, explains the **Five First Saturdays**, leads the Rosary/15 min. meditation requested by *Our Lord and Our Lady*, and celebrates Holy Mass. **10:30** Confessions; **11:30** Rosary w/15 min. meditation; **12:00** Holy Mass; **1:00** Benediction; **2:00** Holy House: confessions; "Last Vision of Fatima" talk; *The Day the Sun Danced* movie; **3:00** *Divine Mercy Chaplet*. All invited. Share in the graces received in consoling Our Mother. Receive the *Year of Mercy* indulgence at our designated Door of Mercy. www.bluearmy.com; 908-689-1700.

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 April 22, Pledged: \$24,256.00 -- 79 Gifts. Please consider a sacrificial pledge to the 2016 Appeal. Thank you.

The Feast of the Ascension, May 5, 2016, a Holy day of Obligation is the Feast which commemorates when, on the fortieth day after Jesus' Resurrection, Jesus led His disciples to the Mount of Olives, and after blessing them and asking them to wait for the fulfillment of the promise of the Holy Spirit, He ascended into Heaven: *For Forty days after His death He appeared to them many times in ways that proved beyond doubt that He was alive. They saw Him, and He talked with them about the Kingdom of God. And when they came together, He gave them this order: "Do not leave Jerusalem, but wait for the gift I told you about, the gift my Father promised. John baptized with water, but in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit." When the apostles met together with Jesus, they asked Him, "Lord, will you at this time give the Kingdom back to Israel?" Jesus said to them, "The times and occasions are set by my Father's own authority, and it is not for you to know when they will be. But when the Holy Spirit comes upon you, you will be filled with power, and you will be witnesses for me in Jerusalem, in all of Judea, and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." After saying this, He was taken up to heaven as they watched Him, and a cloud hid Him from their sight. They still had their eyes fixed on the sky as he went away, when two men dressed in white suddenly stood beside them and said, "Galileans, why are you standing there looking up at the sky? This Jesus, who was taken from you into heaven, will come back in the same way that you saw Him go to heaven." Acts 1:3-11*

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

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 Abundantly.

Walker Valley Catholic Society

Thurs. May 5
Sun. May 8

Meeting: May Crowning Plans/Results of Tricky Tray Social
Mothers' Day: May Crowning after 8 AM Mass



SPRING FLING
TRICKY TRAY SOCIAL



Hosted by the Walker Valley Catholic Society
Saturday April 30th
Doors: 6PM Calling at 7:30PM
Infant Saviour Church
Route 302, Pine Bush, NY

Lottery

Tricky Trays

Children's Table

Refreshments