

Church of the Infant Saviour

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May 1, 2016

Sixth 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 Ditzio
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 Pre-School Building, call Charlie Cino 744-6174.

MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday Evening: 5PM-Pine Bush

Sunday: 8:00 AM – Walker Valley

9:30AM & 11:15AM – 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.



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Mass Intentions

Sat: April 30, 2016

Sat: 8:00AM: Joseph Cottone (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)

Mon: 8:00AM: Beatrice Martin (Her Husband Daniel)
Tues: 8:00AM: Andew & Johanna Seman (Their Son Michael)
Wed: 8:00AM:

Feast of the Ascension:

8:00AM: All Souls in Purgatory
7:00PM: Paul Batchasingh (His Daughter Gillian)

Fri: 8:00AM: John Marshall (Healing)
(Tom & Gabriela Stephens)

Sat: 8:00AM:
5:00PM: Bob Turnbull (His Wife Anne)

Week of May 8, 2016

Sun: 8:00AM: Lucy Cortright (Lou & Cathy Corti)
9:30AM: Mae Dunn (Celeste & John Goff)
11:15AM: Stella Winnie (Tara & Jim Glennon)

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

Readings: May 8, 2016

First Reading: Acts of the Apostles 7:55-60 (61C)
Psalm: 97:1-2, 6-7, 9
Second Reading: Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20
Gospel: John 17:20-26



Banns of Marriage:
Brooke Scotto & Eric Brylowski

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.

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.

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 Kennedy, 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, Joseph Manfredi, 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 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 (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:

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

6th Level: Last Day of Class May 2nd.

2nd Level last day of Class PBE May 3 and EJ R 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.

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

Resurrection of the Dead

Death and dying is a topic, which occupies the thoughts of many people today. Many also can be terrified at the thought of death and dying. In fact, there can be some who do not want to do anything with those situations. The death or loss of a loved one is one of the most stressful things that can happen to a person. Generally, the process of grieving may take a great deal of time. In some situations, the process of grieving can be a year or more. It may take 18-24 months just to stabilize after the death of a family member. But, when the event of death was a tragic or violent, it can take much longer. Whichever way each person goes through pain and the loss of the loved one, the reality of death and dying remains as something, which is inescapable for the whole of humanity.

There can be a lot of confusion among Christians as well as non-Christians and even secularists, for the questions that deal with the end of human life and end times. When it comes to Christianity, the notion, "*resurrection of the dead*" may confuse many. When one thinks about our concepts of death and afterlife, the questions most people ask can be; "Whether there is life after death?" "What happens to us when we die?" "If we are professed believers, do we ascend to heaven upon our physical death, or do we 'sleep' until our Savior's return?" "Is there something beyond death or is there nothing beyond death?"

Most Christians have spent some time wondering what happens to us after we die. Lazarus was resuscitated from the dead by Jesus. He was supposed to have spent four days in the afterlife. Yet, the story of Lazarus does not tell us anything about what he saw. Of course, the family and friends of Lazarus must have learned something about his journey beyond physical existence and back to it. In reference to apparent restoration to life, the name "Lazarus" is sometimes used in science and popular culture. *Lazarus Taxon* is a scientific term that denotes biological organisms (plant, animal, or other) that are being previously thought to have been extinct, but that can reappear in the fossil record after a period of extinction. Likewise, like the family of Lazarus, most of us today are familiar with the testimonies of people who have had near-death experiences. But each of these accounts most of the time can be unique. In some ways, they can give us a glimpse of the reality of heaven.

In fact, the Bible itself reveals very few concrete details about heaven, the afterlife, and what happens when we die. The Church is quiet definite about the fact of the resurrection of life. The Church, especially the Catholic Church proclaims the belief in resurrection through its Creeds and Dogmas. When we profess our faith on Sundays and Solemnities, we pray; "I believe in the resurrection of the dead." However, the teaching about the nature of this resurrection and the nature of the risen body is much less definite. This can be understandable since none of us has yet experienced resurrection. Hardly have we seen anyone who came back to life from death, except our Risen Lord. Also, the Gospels do not tell much in detail about the nature of the Risen Jesus and little about how the apostles experienced Him. Although some theologians speculate and try to theorize a great deal about the nature of the transformed body of Jesus, the final and complete answers are still not being found.

God must have a good reason for keeping us wondering about the mysteries of death, after-life, and heaven. Perhaps, it can be that our limited and finite minds could never comprehend the realities of these mysteries. In that sense, for now, we can only imagine another form of eternal life beyond physical death. We Christians live in 'hope' of our true homeland or the true home where we will be with God. For us, the physical death can be experienced as the last act of worship to God. In accepting death from the loving hands of God, we offer Him our precious lives. In reflecting the words of Jesus, "Lord, into your hands, I commend My Spirit," in and through Him, we too offer our lives to God and the lives of one another at the moment of death, When we offer our own lives to God, He gives us the eternal life.

By rising from dead, Jesus has conquered the scary dimension of death. And so, as long as we are united to Him, we do not need to fear death and dying. We are called to look at this unavoidable reality of dying in the eyes of faith because if we live and die in Jesus, we will rise again in Him.

Fr. Niranjan Rodrigo, Ph.D.

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: *A Reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Ephesians -- Brothers and Sisters; May the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, give you a Spirit of wisdom and revelation resulting in knowledge of him. May the eyes of your hearts be enlightened, that you may know what is the hope that belongs to his call, what are the riches of glory in his inheritance among the holy ones, and what is the surpassing greatness of his power for us who believe, in accord with the exercise of his great might: which he worked in Christ, raising him from the dead and seating him at his right hand in the heavens, far above every principality, authority, power, and dominion, and every name that is named not only in this age but also in the one to come. And he put all things beneath his feet and gave him as head over all things to the church, which is his body, the fullness of the one who fills all things in every way. Ephesians 1:17-23.*

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

"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.

Tree of Life to Date: Total Collected:	\$7,350.00
Expenditures -- installation of Tree	3,900.00
engraving of leafs and acorns:	<u>730.00</u>
Total Profit to go exclusively to	
Maintenance Emergencies :	\$2,720.00

Walker Valley Catholic Society:

Thurs. May 5 **Meeting:** May Crowning Plans/Results of Tricky Tray Social
 Sun. May 8 **Mothers' Day:** May Crowning after 8 AM Mass

Collections:	2016	2015
Sunday Collection 04/24/2016	\$5,262.72	\$5,336.92
(Parishpay included) Thank you for your generosity.		
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.

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Town of Shawangunk 2016 is hosting a 6 week summer camp from Saturday July 5-August 12th 9AM to 3PM for children from ages 5 to 14 years old. Camp will be held in Verkeerderkill Park. How to Register: Shawangunk Town Hall 14 Central Avenue, Wallkill, NY or you can download forms at shawangunk.org For more information or to register please go to the website or call Gillian Batchasingh at 917-848-8633 or April Grieco at 978-1566. There will be a residence and a non-residence fee applied. Registration deadline is June 15.

Camp Veritas 2016: Camp Veritas is a one week play and pray sleep away summer camp for teens going into 7th-12th grades. It will be held at three USA locations in 2016 July 24-30 at Mount Saint Mary College in Newburgh, NY ; July 31-August 6th, 2016 at Summit Lake Camp in Emmitsburg, MD and August 14-20, 2016 at Camp Lakota in Wurtsboro, NY. Enrollment has opened on 1/1/16 and the enrollment price for each week is \$400.00 per camper. More details and enrollment forms for campers and volunteers (18 and over) can be found at www.campveritas.com.

On Saturday, May 28, 2016 - at 9AM , His Eminence, Timothy Michael Cardinal Dolan will ordain the following transitional deacons to the Priesthood in the St. Patrick's Cathedral:

The Ordinandi are: For the Archdiocese of New York:

Christian Ikechukwu Amah; Hartley Stockton Bancroft, III,
Thomas Michael Colucci; Cruz Alejandro Sanchez Mares;
Jean-Pierre Anthony Thomas Seon; James Anthony Martin Sheridan;
Joh Norman Francis Tveit

With permission of the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal: Bro. Antonio Maria Diez de Medina, C.F.R.;
Bro. Dismas Marie Kline, C.F.R.;
Bro Xavier Mariae Meiergerd, C.F.R.; Bro. Innocent Mariae Montgomery, C.F.R.;
Bro. Bernardino Maria (Richard Henry) Soukup, C.F.R.

St. Joan of Arc in Sloatsburg is hosting a 2016 **Carnival** from Thursday May 26th - Friday May 27th from 6PM-11PM and on Saturday May 28th - Sunday, May 29th 1PM-11PM.. They are located at the intersection of Orange Turnpike and Eagle Valley Road. Ride all day with a wristband purchase; Fireworks show on Sunday at 9:30PM.

Looking for a Meaningful Volunteer Opportunity?

The Ladies of Charity are a diverse group of Catholic women who volunteer to meet the critical needs of those in challenging situations through:

- Engaging in Ministries with flexible time commitments in Parishes, Nursing Homes, Child Care Agencies and others institutions that care for the marginalized
- The creation and donation of handmade items for those we serve
- Providing spiritual and social support for our volunteers

For more information or to become a Lady of Charity please contact us at: Ladies of Charity of the Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of New York, 1011 First Avenue, New York, NY 10022 Phone: 212-371-1000 x2542 or email: LOC@archny.org.