

# Church of the Infant Saviour

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**6th Sunday In Ordinary Time**

**February 12, 2017**

**Infant Saviour, Pine Bush**



**Our Lady of the Valley, Walker Valley**



**Father S. Niranjan Rodrigo, Pastor**  
**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:** Sister Shinty Antony, Director  
Mrs. Gail Baumann, Past Coordinator  
Mrs. Jeanette Coates, Secretary

**Adult Faith Formation:** Mrs. Rosemary DeCaro

**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 or Dn. Frank Rose.

## **ADULT BAPTISMS:**

We use the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults.

## **DEVOTIONS:**

**Miraculous Medal Novena** – after Saturday 8:00AM Mass

**Holy Hour** – Wednesday, 6:30 – 7:30PM

**Marian Prayer Group** – 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays, 10:30AM,  
in Church

**Mother's Chapel** - 9AM-6PM

**Ultreya** – 2<sup>nd</sup> 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: February 11, 2017

8:00AM:
5:00PM: Bob Turnbull (Eileen Stevenson)

Week of February 12, 2017

Sun: 8:00AM: Kevin Tracy (Luis & Marie Aponte)
9:30AM: Smitty Northrop (His Wife, Son & Grandson)
11:15AM: Charles Cino, Sr. (Gail Baumann & Family)
Mon: 8:00AM: All Souls in Purgatory
Tues: 8:00AM: Bob Turnbull (His Wife Anne)
Wed: 8:00AM: Tim McCarty (Barbara)
Thur: 8:00AM: Mary B. Morano (Al & Donna Carozza)
Fri: 8:00AM:
Sat: 8:00AM:
5:00PM: Bob Turnbull (Eileen Stevenson)

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Sun: 8:00AM: Leo & Vivian Lillard (Dn Jack & Jenn Carr)
9:30AM: Mary & Frank McGarrity (Daughter Cathy Corti & Son-In-Law Lou)
11:15AM: Joan Davey (Pat & Joe Ditizio)

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

March 1st is Ash Wednesday: Schedule for Masses and Services: 8:00AM Mass; 12:00PM: Service; 4:00PM Service For Rel Ed Students; and 7:00PM Mass.

Sanctuary Lamp:

In Loving Memory of Antony Anjikkal
Requested by The Ditizio Family

Readings: February 19, 2017

First Reading: Leviticus 19:1-2, 17-18 (79A)
Psalm: 103:1-2, 3-4, 8, 10, 12-13
Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 3:16-23
Gospel: Matthew 5:38-48

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 consider joining them in prayer

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.

Please pray for the sick: John Araneo, Roland Mora, George Burrow, Pat Matteo, Jeffrey Selear, Bob Carlson, Linda Carlson, George Rescigno, Matthew Schaffner, William Meyers, Richard Tanagretta, Doris Bennett, Jeanie Kane, Peg Broughal, Bob Broughal, Ed Gatzen, Joseph Manfredi, Anthony Gordon, Eric Maurin, Roland Rossi, Kurt Schaffner, Frank Rispoli, Natalie Saft, Thomas Fitzsimmons, Clare Dougherty, Michael Phillip, Brayden Ackerman, Fritz Meier, Trevor Holts, Fran Hodges, Karleen Hillsman, Betty Sasso, Cole Meier, Henry Carr, Jarrett Winum, John Gillespie, Baby Alyssa and Alan Scott

Religious Ed News:

2nd Level Parent Reconciliation Meeting on February 16 from 7-9PM in Church
2nd Level: March 4, First Reconciliation PBE & EJR at 10AM
8th Level: Students and Parents March 3 Stations of the Cross at 6:30PM

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) Captain Caitlin Conley (Fort Bragg, NC) James Grabinski (US Air Force), Jeremy Reinhardt (Navy) Eddison Parris (Camp Lejeune, NC); Capt. Francis Pascucci (USMC), 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 (Army), 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), Matthew Cruver (Air Force National Guard). Michael Balsa (Marines)

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.

March 3
March 10
March 17

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

March 24 - Shadow Land Boxers
March 31
April 7

The Lenten Reconciliation will be held on Monday, April 10 Confessions will be heard from 4-8PM

## **Fear not, I am with you**

The world is often driven and shaped by fear, anxiety, and worry. Like anxiety, fear can be overwhelming and draining. *Fear* shares the intensely unpleasant feelings, like dread or troubles or misfortunes in the future. As a powerful human emotion, it can shatter our sense of the world as we know it. Both fear and anxiety characterize an inner apprehension or a misfortune that can happen in the future. Although there can be some similar characteristics in both, some experts and counselors distinguish them from each other. The difference between fear and anxiety can be confusing.

Fear is being described in many ways by different experts. When the source of the *feelings of dread* is a threat (physical or emotional), which can be *identified*, those types of unpleasant feelings can be called *fear*. As an example, we can identify natural threats like a tornado. Or we can identify a dangerous and a poisonous animal like a snake. Thus, *fear* can be described as a vital response to danger or threat that can be identified. It is like a feeling of apprehension, terror, or agitation caused by the presence of an identified threat or horror.

Then, one way of describing *anxiety* is; a danger or threat that causes unpleasant feelings of dread that cannot be identified clearly. *Anxiety* is an unpleasant feeling that comes from an unidentified horror, threat, or danger. The inability or the difficulty of identifying exactly what one is anxious about is one of the characteristics of *anxiety*. When one feels anxious, the fearful feelings are more internal while she/he may not identify the danger.

There is an undeniable fact that it is somewhat natural for many to feel fear of failure, fear of the future, fear of the unknown, insecurity, aging, dying, sickness, change, nuclear war, rejection, being hurt, being known, intimacy, meaninglessness, etc. Also, another known fact is if one didn't feel fear, one could not protect oneself from legitimate threats. Fear alerts us to the presence of danger. Further, there are some who are able to contain their fears. Though they are mindful of the dangerous situations that exist around them, they somehow manage to keep things in a certain order.

But, the unfortunate and negative side of *fear* is that it can build up in the mind of a person and create extreme anxiety even in the absence of any real danger. Because of this some studies show that *anxiety* often arises due to a person's irrational beliefs that can create fear.

Therefore, one of the ways to help these people who suffer from fear and anxiety is the need of challenging their irrational beliefs without discounting them. Healing can be experienced to some extent when one's fears are being expressed, discussed, and evaluated. As believers of God, we should pray about our fears. We are called to put our faith in God and ask Him to bring an inner peace even in the midst of uncertainty.

We are gifted with Hebrew and Christian Scriptures that speak with concern about the unfortunate situations that we may be dealing with. Those scripture passages may help us to drive out some of our fears and anxieties. In the Hebrew Scriptures, the psalmist sings, "*When I am afraid, I put my trust in you. In God, whose word I praise, in God I trust; I shall not be afraid. What can flesh do to me?*" (Psalm 56:3-4). Again, the psalmist expresses, "*Though an army encamp against me, my heart will not fear; though war arise against me, yet I will be confident.*" (Psalm 27:3). Prophet Isaiah says, "*Fear not, for I am with you; be not dismayed, for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.*" (Isaiah 41:10). In the first letter of Peter, he invites everyone to cast their anxieties on God, because He cares for us. (1Peter 5:7).

*Fr. Niranjan Rodrigo, Ph.D.*

**"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. *All proceeds will be used for Emergency Maintenance* **God Bless you for your support**

- One Leaf: \$400.00
- One Acorn: \$800.00
- One Stone: \$1,300.00
- Mini Tree : \$4,000.00

**OPERATION ARCHANGEL :** After meeting with the Orange County Sheriff's Office, which has been set up by the Archdiocese we are looking for our Active Duty and Retired Law Enforcement parishioners to answer the Archdiocesan call to address the growing threat against the Holy Roman Catholic Church.. You have already taken the Oath to Protect the Innocent. Will you take a stand now to Protect your Own Church Community ? No dues, no schedules, no hassles. Get involved . Answer the call. For further details call the Parish Office extension 10.

| <b>Collections:</b>                                     | <b>2016</b> | <b>2015</b> |
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| Sunday Collection February 5, 2017 (Parishpay included) | \$5,800.64  | \$6,848.92  |

*Thank you for your generosity and support.*

**Collections for the Month of February 2017**

- February 5: Weekly/Peter's Pence**
- February 12: Weekly/Building Fund**
- February 19: Weekly**
- February 26: Weekly/Maintenance**

**ParishPay** is the best means available of supporting our parish. Currently, we have 72 families in our Parish participating and we would like to grow that number. 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. 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](http://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](http://www.infantsaviour.org) Thank you in advance for your continued generosity to Infant Saviour Parish, your spiritual home. May God Bless You All Abundantly.

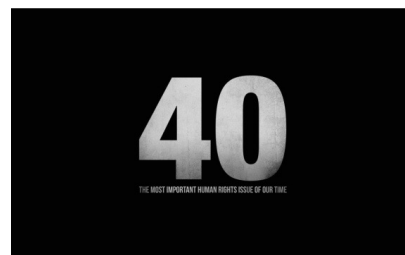
**Adult Faith Formation Team** is bringing back the **Suggestion Box**. It can be found in the Vestibule of Infant Saviour Church. This box will be set in place for suggestions only. Please no flyers or money are to be placed in this box.

We want to Congratulate **Dominic Mandile** on achieving your **Eagle Scout** rank On January 3rd, Wishing you many blessings as you continue on your life's journey.



**Knights of Columbus** will be hosting a **St. Patrick's Dinner Dance** on Saturday, March 11<sup>th</sup> at 7pm \$20 per person tickets sold in advance only . Dinner and D.J included. Tickets will be sold after mass or call parish office to purchase.

**FORMED:** Our Archdiocese has given us free access for one full year to some of the best Catholic resources available right in our own homes! The FORMED website, [www.formed.org](http://www.formed.org), offers a compilation of movies, books, audio and video programs that are catechetical, inspirational and entertaining. Simply surf out to [www.formed.org](http://www.formed.org) and sign up using our parish code, **N68TMK** , and under the section entitled 'Register - Sign up free using your parish code' you can create your own sign in and password. You can also sign up by going on to our website [infantsaviour.org](http://infantsaviour.org). Once you've signed up, you can use FORMED on your home computer or your smartphone at any time that's convenient for you. Programs like Symbolon, Catholicism, Lighthouse Media Audio presentations, The Lectio Series, Opening the Word, Hearts Afire and more are available to broaden your knowledge of the Catholic Faith. Presenters like Scott Hahn, Jeff Cavins, Tim Gray speak on a multitude of faith topics. It's all just a click away! We strongly encourage you to sign up and see what's available. May God Bless You abundantly!



"I believe abortion is the most fundamental human rights issue of our time, and always will be, even after we overturn Roe v. Wade." – *Star Parker, featured in 40* This year marks the forty-fourth anniversary of the Supreme Court's decision, Roe v. Wade, which legalized abortions in the United States. For forty-four years, this country has been deeply divided by the topic of abortion: unlike any other issue in recent decades, this issue brings together political ideology, emotional reactions, morality, social justice, medicine, religion, and human rights in a uniquely challenging way. More than ever, this nation needs to hold an honest, compassionate dialogue about what both sides have called "the most fundamental human rights issue of our time," and the program *40* was created just for this purpose. A compelling documentary that goes beyond the surface of this debate to the heart of the issues, *40* features dialogue between pro-lifers and pro-choicers, moving testimonies from former abortion activists and those whose lives have been personally affected by abortion, and insight into how to empower women and transform the culture. This weekend, gather with family members or friends and watch the program, and use the study guide to foster an honest conversation about what we can do build a culture of life in the United States. As *40* makes clear, this effort is worth all the blood, sweat, and tears that it takes.

**Lenten Parish Mission Retreat** here at Infant Saviour with Father Francis Amodio, O.Carm. -- Dates: March 26, 7:00PM; March 27, 7:00PM; and on March 28 at 7PM. A Parish Mission is special time in a parish when its community gathers together to gain further insight into a faith filled life. It is a time for each parishioner to renew one's personal relationship with Jesus and to experience peace and healing. It is also a time to revitalize the Parish in its mission and to be sustained as a community by the love of Jesus. And so, it is a grace-filled opportunity for the parishioners to experience a spiritual renewal in their faith journey through the Eucharist, prayer services, and preaching.

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ADULT *faith* FORMATION

**JOIN US FOR A LENTEN BOOK DISCUSSION**

BEGINS MARCH 9 to MARCH 30  
Thursdays-7:00 to 8:15pm

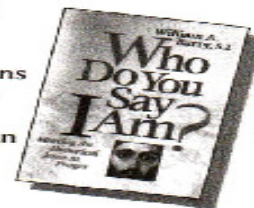
Join us for a 4-weeks book discussion of the book ***Who Do You Say I Am?*** by author William A. Barry, S.J.

Christians have always turned to the scriptures as a reliable source of knowledge about Jesus, but in recent years the historical accuracy of the gospels has come under considerable scrutiny. The question has even garnered significant media attention, particularly in the case of the "Jesus Seminar," a group of scholars who gather periodically to discuss and vote on the authenticity of Jesus' words and deeds. Their claims, which often seem calculated to shock, have disturbed some Christians and even shaken the faith of others.

In this innovative work Father William Barry shows why this need not be the case. "I believe that research on the historical Jesus need not be a threat but can be a spiritual resource for us Christians," he says. Drawing on the highly acclaimed

work *The Marginal Jew* by John Meier, he helps us sift the evidence to discover what we can know with historical certainty about Jesus. But Barry leads us beyond the facts of history to an encounter with the risen Jesus, sharing both his own experience of prayer as well as the stories and accounts of other contemporary Christians who have come to know the risen Lord. He guides us in a prayerful dialogue that bridges the gap between the Jesus of history and the Jesus we experience in faith.

"I believe that Jesus means more to me now than he did before," Barry says about his book. Here is an opportunity for readers to come to the same conclusion.



**THERE WILL BE SIGN UP ON THE WEEKENDS OF FEBRUARY 11 AND FEBRUARY 18 AFTER MASSES**

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**Life Line Screening**, a leading provider of community-based preventive health screenings, will offer their affordable, non-invasive and painless health screenings at Church of the Infant Saviour on 3/30/2017. Five screenings will be offered that scan for potential health problems related to: blocked arteries which is a leading cause of stroke; abdominal aortic aneurysms which can lead to a ruptured aorta; hardening of the arteries in the legs which is a strong predictor of heart disease; atrial fibrillation or irregular heart beat which is closely tied to stroke risk; and a bone density screening, for men and women, used to assess the risk of osteoporosis. Register for a Wellness Package which includes 4 vascular tests and osteoporosis screening from \$149 (\$139 with our member discount). All five screenings take 60-90 minutes to complete. **In order to register for this event and to receive a \$10 discount off any package priced above \$129, please call 1-888-653-6441 or visit [www.lifelinescreening.com/communitycircle](http://www.lifelinescreening.com/communitycircle)**