

Church of the Infant Saviour

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First Sunday of Lent

March 5, 2017

Infant Saviour, Pine Bush



Our Lady of the Valley, Walker Valley



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Father Raymond Pavlick, Weekend Assistant (Retired)
Deacon Jack Carr
Deacon Frank Rose

Parish Trustees: Dr. Richard Reich
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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: 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 – 2nd & 4th Wednesdays, 10:30AM, in Church

Mother's Chapel - 9AM-6PM

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.



Pray, Fast, Give Alms

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Mass Intentions

Sat: March 4, 2017

8:00AM: Concietta Nunziato (Her Daughter Barbara)
5:00PM: Bob Turnbull (His Wife Anne)

Week of March 5, 2017

Sun: 8:00AM: Frances Stueber (Happy Birthday In Heaven)
(His Family)

9:30AM: Joan Davey (Buskey Family)
11:15AM: Charles Cino, Sr. (Knights of Columbus)

Mon: 8:00AM: Michele Nejelski (Daughter Kathleen Keeley)

Tues: 8:00AM: Donna Hadden (Mazzella Family)

Wed: 8:00AM: John P. Fay (9th Anniversary In Heaven)
(His Family)

Thur: 8:00AM: Vincent Russo (Anne Turnbull)

Fri: 8:00AM:

Sat: 8:00AM:
5:00PM: Joan Davey (Gail Baumann & Family)

March 12, 2017

Sun: 8:00AM: Pasqualina Tartaglione (Son & Family)
9:30AM: Helen Dennedy (Cino Family)
11:15AM: Kathleen Mercurio (Michael & Mindy Brock)

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

**The Lenten Reconciliation will be held on Monday, April 10
Confessions will be heard from 3-9PM**

SANCTUARY LAMP:

*In Loving Memory of Henry Carr
Requested by Don & Jeanette Coates & Family*

Readings: March 12, 2017

First Reading: Genesis 12:1-4a (25A)
Psalm: 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22
Second Reading: 2 Timothy 1:8b-10
Gospel: Matthew 17:1-9

Sr. Margaret Ellen Burke is currently undergoing some medical treatments and also celebrates a birthday on Ash Wednesday. Her address is 127 Sisters Hill Rd., Stanfordville, NY 12581. Your prayers and cards would be greatly appreciated.

**Please join us on Friday March 24th at 6PM for a very
Special presentation of the Stations of the Cross presented
by the Shadow Land Box Players in the Church Hall.**

Cenacle for Life: The Cenacle will not be meeting on Fridays at 4:00 during Lent, as we will be attending the Stations of the Cross at 6:30PM. Our Cenacle will resume on Friday, April 21st at 4:00PM. Please try to join us.

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 Gatzten, 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, Jarrett Winum, John Gillespie, Baby Alyssa, and Sister Margaret Ellen Burke

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 Owey (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 6PM

March 31
April 7

Hope in the Resurrection

On February 20th at 8:30AM, my father died. He was ninety one years old and was less than two months away from his ninety second birthday. It was the first time in my life, being the youngest of four, that death had hit so close to me. My father's health had been declining for several years and we all knew that he was drawing close to the doorway we call death. But when he did die, we were all still shocked by his passing. It happened relatively quick, literally overnight. We had seen him over the weekend and had been with him and he seemed to us to be unchanged, and yet, when Monday morning came, he fell asleep and went home. No matter how much you think you're prepared for that moment, the loss of a loved one hurts deeply. I am back to work this week, but I am still dealing with his loss, still being suddenly overcome with moments of deep sadness and emptiness. Even though I am a person of faith, I still long to know with surety where my father is. I have a great desire to see him well again and to know that all is well with him. In this life he meant so many things to me and with his passing there are many voids that, now, it seems, nothing can fill. This feeling of loss comes and goes at unpredictable times. Even as I write this, I am welling up, my eyes are wet, and I must stop before continuing on. I arrived at his home ten minutes after he had died and when I saw his body lying in his bed, lifeless, I was so overcome with grief that, as I wept, my whole body shook, wracked with grief. I have never cried like that in my entire life, neither from physical pain or loss.

As we enter the liturgical season of Lent, we begin to prepare ourselves to encounter the victorious risen Christ. We do this through various spiritual practices, fast and abstinence, prayer and repentance. This year, for me, and perhaps for all of us who have been wounded by the loss of a loved one, the resurrection has an even deeper meaning because...death has come so very close. I have been separated from someone who meant the world to me and I desire to be reunited with that person. Fr. Ray Pavlick said to me before the 9:30 Mass this past weekend, "You'll never completely get over it. The feeling of loss will always be with you in this life." He's right of course. Deep down I know he's right. I wouldn't be human if I could just shut it off and have it go away. We're not automatons and love doesn't work that way.

But, far from this loss diminishing my faith in any way, I feel that it has increased it. I am doubling down on the promise of Jesus Christ. I hope in His goodness and mercy even more now and I look forward to the day when I can see Him face to face and give Him thanks and praise for all He has done for me, especially the gift of the life of my father...and all of those I will lose in this life. Thanks to Jesus Christ, we, too, can say as St. Paul did, "Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting?" All of us who mourn the loss of a loved one live in the darkness and hurt of a Good Friday. But we must also be consoled by the hope...that Easter Sunday is coming.

And this Lent...may the Peace of God which is beyond all understanding guard our hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

Dcn. Jack

Religious Ed News:

8th Level: Students and Parents must attend on March 24 Stations of the Cross presented by the Shadow Land Box Players at 6PM in Church Hall

Lent:

Fasting and Abstinence during the Season of Lent -- The Church urges the faithful to reflect a spirit of penance in their daily lives through performing acts of faith and abstinence. Fasting requires that only one full meal be taken per day. Two other smaller meals may be taken during the day to maintain physical strength, but these two meals together should not equal a full meal in quantity. Nor is there eating between meals. Fasting obliges all those who have reached the age of 18 and continues to oblige through age 59. Those who are not specifically obliged to fast are encouraged to join the discipline of fasting to the extent that they are able. Abstinence prohibits individuals from eating meat on a particular day. Abstinence obliges all those who have reached the age of 14 and continues to oblige through their lives. Those who are not specifically obliged to abstain from eating meat are encouraged to join the discipline of abstaining to the extent that they are able. ASH WEDNESDAY AND GOOD FRIDAY are days of Fast and Abstinence, Fridays in Lent are days of Abstinence.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS LENTEN DINNERS: As part of the Friday Lenten dinner series, the Knights of Columbus will be providing a free linguine dinner on Friday night March 3 (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.



Knights of Columbus will be hosting a **St. Patrick's Dinner Dance** on Saturday, March 11th 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.

St. Paul's in Bullville Adult Faith Formation

Committee, invites you to join them, Saturday, April 1, 2017 from 9:00 am - 2:00 pm, as Fr. Jim Hess, O. Carm. presents a day of reconciliation, discussion and prayer. Doors open at 9:00 am with coffee and refreshments with the program beginning at 9:30 am. Please bring a brown bag lunch. A free will offering will be accepted. Contact Anna at St. Paul's, 361-3107 if you plan to attend.

"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

Collections:	2017	2016
Sunday Collection February 19, 2017	\$5,266.64	\$5,514.92
Maintenance Collection:	1,476.00	
(Parishpay included)		

Thank you for your generosity and support.

Collections for the Month of March 2017

March 5: Weekly/Building Fund

March 12: Weekly

Undated Easter Flowers

March 19: Weekly/Maintenance

March 26: Weekly/Catholic Relief

ParishPay is the best means available of supporting our parish. Currently, we have 84 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, or calling the Parish Office 744-2391 x10. There is also a link to Parish Pay through our own parish website, www.infantsaviour.org Thank you in advance for your continued generosity to Infant Saviour Parish, your spiritual home. May God Bless You All Abundantly.

40 Days for Life: March 1 - April 9 You can protect mothers and children by joining this worldwide mobilization! Through prayer and fasting, peaceful vigils and community outreach, 40 Days for Life has inspired 725,000 volunteers! 12,668 babies saved from abortion; 141 abortion workers converted, 75 abortion centers closed. Here is how you can take part: In Newburgh Vigil location: on the sidewalk in front of Planned Parenthood located at 136 Lake Street. Vigil hours from 7AM to 5PM daily Local Contact: Wendy Wood 845-820-4366 or ocrighthtolife@gmail.com and in Goshen Vigil Location: 7 Coates Drive, we stand in the grassy area on Coates Drive, we are not permitted to stand in front of Planned Parenthood. Vigil Hours 7Am to 7PM daily. Local Contact: Veronica Murphy 845-551-8560 or mamoirish@gmail.com. Learn more and get involved by visiting 40daysforlife.com/Goshen or 40daysforlife.com/Newburgh

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.

New York Catholic Bible School -- Discover Scripture -- Discover your self - A Formation Program of the Archdiocesan Catechetical Office -- The New York Catholic Bible School Offers two phases of intensive study covering the entire Bible. All adults are welcomed. Catechists who have completed level 2 Catechist Formation will earn Level 3 and 4 Catechist Certification by completing this program. Directors/Coordinators of Religious Education/Catechumenate who have complete the Catechetical Leadership Programs will receive ongoing formation credit. All instructors hold Master's Degrees in Scripture or a related field. Application Fee: \$35.00 submitted with Application. Tuition will be \$150.00 per trimester due before the beginning of each trimester. Re-Registration Fee \$35.00 annually. Years 2, 3, 4 due before beginning of the first trimester. Ministerial Discount available for Catechists, Directors/Coordinators of Religious Education or Catechumenate who meet admission requirements. Contact Bibl@archny.org for details.

LIVING EVERY DAY WITH PASSION AND PURPOSE with Matthew Kelly and Special Musical Guest Eliot Morris -- Are you thriving or just surviving? Are you ready for more energy? A deeper sense of purpose? More joy? A clearer understanding of God's plan for your life?! Join us for one of our Passion & Purpose events at Sacred Heart Church in Monroe, NY on April 7, from 6:30PM-10:30PM. Tickets \$39.00 per person -- Tickets are selling fast. It has been a life changing event for tens of thousands of people. Living Every Day with Passion and purpose is presented by internationally acclaimed speaker and author Matthew Kelly and the incredibly talented Eliot Morris. For more information or to purchase your ticket www.DynamicCatholic.com/Monroe or call 859-980-7900.
Be Bold Be Catholic.

Adult Faith Formation -- JOIN US FOR A LENTEN BOOK DISCUSSION
Begins March 9 to March 30; Thursdays from 7:00-8:15PM
Join us for 4-Weeks --
"Who Do you Say I am?" by Author William A. Barry, S.J.

In lieu of a Spring Tricky Tray Social, the **Walker Valley Catholic Society is holding a cash raffle.** Tickets are \$20.00 each with prizes of \$2500, \$1000, and \$500. Only 400 tickets will be sold. The drawing is on May 14, Mother's Day, and you need not be present to win. Tickets are available in the Church Office and from any Catholic Society Member. Tickets will be sold after all masses the weekends of March 11-12, 25-26 and April 1-2 and 22-23. We need the support of the entire Parish to make this a success. Thank you. Any questions, please call Nancy Miller 744-3782.

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