

Church of the Infant Saviour

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The Solemnity of Mary

January 1, 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
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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.



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Mass Intentions

Sat: December 31, New Years Eve:

5:00PM: Marilyn Ditzio (Ditzio Family)
10:00PM:

Week of January 1, 2017, New Years Day

Sun: 8:00AM: Joseph Sasso (Sherri & Ed McConnell)
9:30AM : Healing in the Buckley Family (Theresa & Keith)
11:15AM: Thomas Foley, Sr. (LaCovara Family)
Mon: 8:00AM:
Tues: 8:00AM:
Wed: 8:00AM: Bernard & Bonnie Wysocki &
Andrew & Johanna Seman (Their Children)
Thur: 8:00AM: Fred Jones (Robert & Yolanda Colon)
Fri: 8:00AM: Evelyn Craig (Keeley Family)
Sat: 8:00AM: Mario Occhi
(Patricia Carluccio & Augusta Tenaglia)
5:00PM: John Giuliano (Dn Frank & Patti Rose)

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Sun: 8:00AM: Joseph Monteleon (Annette Tuthill)
9:30AM: Joseph Grab (Benson & Tuthill Families)
11:15AM: Deceased Members of the Ficken, Zobel &
Resor Families (Jack Schultz)

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

Readings: January 8, 2017

First Reading: Isaiah 60:1-6 (20ABC)
Psalm: 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13
Second Reading: Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6
Gospel: Matthew 2:1-12

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

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.

Religious Ed News:

All Classes will resume this week starting on January 3rd.

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, Edward Staff, 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 Hilsman Betty Sasso, and Henry Carr

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 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.



**May God bless you
and keep you**

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Dear Brothers and Sisters, Happy Christmas!

Today the Church once again experiences the wonder of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Saint Joseph and the shepherds of Bethlehem, as they contemplate the newborn Child laid in a manger: Jesus, the Saviour.

On this day full of light, the prophetic proclamation resounds:

“For to us a child is born,
To us a son is given.
And the government will be upon his shoulder;
and his name will be called
“Wonderful Counsellor, Mighty God,
Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.” (Is 9:6)

The power of this Child, Son of God and Son of Mary, is not the power of this world, based on might and wealth; it is the power of love. It is the power which created the heavens and the earth, which gives life to all creation: to minerals, plants and animals; it is the force which attracts man and woman, and makes them one flesh, one single existence; it is the power which gives new birth, pardons faults, reconciles enemies, and transforms evil into good. It is the power of God. This power of love led Jesus Christ to strip himself of his glory and become man; it led him to give his life on the cross and to rise from the dead. It is the power of service, which inaugurates in our world the Kingdom of God, a kingdom of justice and peace.

For this reason, the birth of Jesus was accompanied by the angels' song as they proclaimed:

“Glory to God in the highest,
And on earth peace among men with whom he is pleased!” (Lk 2:14).

Today this message goes out to the ends of the earth to reach all peoples, especially those scarred by war and harsh conflicts that seem stronger than the yearning for peace.

Peace to men and women in the war-torn land of Syria, where far too much blood has been spilled. Above all in the city of Aleppo, site of the most awful battles in recent weeks, it is most urgent that assistance and support be guaranteed to the exhausted civil populace, with respect for humanitarian law. It is time for weapons to be still forever, and the international community to actively seek a negotiated solution, so that civil coexistence can be restored in the country.

Peace to women and men of the beloved Holy Land, the land chosen and favoured by God. May Israelis and Palestinians have the courage and the determination to write a new page of history, where hate and revenge give way to the will to build together a future of mutual understanding and harmony. May Iraq, Libya and Yemen – where their peoples suffer war and the brutality of terrorism – be able once again to find unity and concord.

Peace to the men and women in various parts of Africa, especially in Nigeria, where fundamentalist terrorism exploits even children in order to perpetrate horror and death. Peace in South Sudan and the Democratic Republic of the Congo, so that divisions may be healed and all people of good will may strive to undertake the path of development and sharing, preferring the culture of dialogue to the mindset of conflict.

Peace to women and men who to this day suffer the consequences of the conflict in Eastern Ukraine, where there is urgent need for a common desire to bring relief to the civil population and to put into practice the commitments which have been assumed.

We implore harmony for the dear people of Colombia, which seeks to embark on a new and courageous path of dialogue and reconciliation. May such courage also motivate the beloved country of Venezuela to undertake the necessary steps to put an end to current tensions, and build together a future of hope for the whole population.

Peace to all who, in different areas, are enduring sufferings due to constant dangers and persistent injustice. May Myanmar consolidate its efforts to promote peaceful coexistence and, with the assistance of the international community, provide necessary protection and humanitarian assistance to all those who gravely and urgently need it. May the Korean peninsula see the tensions it is experiencing overcome in a renewed spirit of cooperation.

Peace to those who have lost a person dear to them as a result of brutal acts of terrorism, and to those who have sown fear and death into the hearts of so many countries and cities.

Peace – not merely the word, but a real and concrete peace – to our abandoned and excluded brothers and sisters, to those who suffer hunger and to all the victims of violence. Peace to exiles, migrants and refugees, to all those who in our day are subject to human trafficking.

Peace to the peoples who suffer because of the economic ambitions of the few, because of the sheer greed and the idolatry of money, which leads to slavery. Peace to those affected by social and economic unrest, and to those who endure the consequences of earthquakes or other natural catastrophes.

Peace to the children, on this special day on which God became a child, above all those deprived of the joys of childhood because of hunger, wars or the selfishness of adults.

Peace on earth to men and women of goodwill, who work quietly and patiently each day, in their families and in society, to build a more humane and just world, sustained by the conviction that only with peace is there the possibility of a more prosperous future for all.

Dear brothers and sisters,

“For to us a child is born, to us a son is given”: he is the “Prince of peace”. Let us welcome him!

To you, dear brothers and sisters, who have gathered in this Square from every part of the world, and to those in various countries who are linked to us by radio, television and other means of communication, I offer my greeting.

On this day of joy, we are all called to contemplate the Child Jesus, who gives hope once again to every person on the face of the earth. By his grace, let us with our voices and our actions give witness to solidarity and peace. Merry Christmas to all!

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, offers a compilation of movies, books, audio and video programs that are catechetical, inspirational and entertaining. Simply surf out to 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. 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!

2017 CHURCH ENVELOPES: Please note that the Church envelopes for each family registered to receive their yearly box can be found, placed in alphabetical order by family's last name on tables in the Church Hall this weekend. Please pick up your box. If you do not see your box or would like to receive a yearly box please call the Parish Office at 744-2391 x10.

Collections:	2016	2015
Sunday Collection Dec 25, 2016	\$6,354.58	\$4,828.68
Christmas Collection:	\$10,291.00	

(Parishpay included)

Thank you for your generosity.

Collections for the Month of January 2017

January 1: Weekly/Solemnity of Mary
January 8: Weekly/Catholic Communications
January 15: Weekly/Building Fund
January 22: Weekly/
January 29: 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, 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.

Catholic NYC Monthly Young Adult Mass

Wednesday, January 4th

6:30PM – Holy Hour & Confessions

7:30PM – Mass

St. Patrick's Cathedral

5th Ave. (Between 50th & 51st Streets)

New York, NY

Post-Mass Social will be at Connolly's on 47th Street between

5th & Madison. FACEBOOK INVITE



There are numerous positions within the Archdiocese of New York open currently as well as other dioceses which you can access by going to www.CatholicJobs.com

First Friday Eucharistic Adoration will be held on January 6, 2017 9AM-6PM

Please come and devote some time in Prayer

"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

Thanking Our Parishioners and wishing you and your families all a Blessed New Year!

As we enter the new Year, we thanks to God for His presence among us. On behalf of the whole parish, I would like to thank all the parishioners for their prayerful presence and great participation in our parish in every way. I, together with Deacon Jack and Deacon Frank, the Trustees, the Parish Pastoral Council, and the Finance Committee, are so grateful for those who volunteer; the Sacristans, the Ushers, the Altar Servers, the Lectors, the Eucharistic Ministers for our Church, the Homebound and ORMC Hospital patients, the Choirs, the Eucharistic Adorers, the Adult Faith Formation Committee, the RCIA group, the Knights of Columbus, The Walker Valley Catholic Society, CYO Group, Marian Group, Sunday Collection Counters, the Volunteers who help in decorating and cleaning the Church for Christmas and Easter, the Volunteers who organize Church Parties, and various other individual Volunteers who do not want to be known publicly, but, those who generously give of their time for the upkeep and maintenance of our Church.

Please keep in Prayer all our Loved Ones who we have lost in 2016:

Thomas Searpulla

Rose Marie Wilkins

Joseph Nicholson

Francis Callahan

Gertryde Jerabs Arbaiza

Rebecca Meyer

Mary Bordogna

Rose DePalma

Mary Schneller

Jill Westerfield Davis

Joseph Nicholson

Eileen Hughes

Amalia Masaryk

Irene McConnell

Patricia Edmunds

Robert G. Grottolo

Ann Laccutte

Nelson Moreno

Paul Grella

Robert L. Holmes

Philip Fischetti

Kathy Kelly

Lucy Cortright

John Giuliano

Joseph E. Mercurio

Frank Mercurio

Thomas Sterlon

Nancy Morris-Cambareri

Kathleen Mercurio

Helen Deneddy

God our Father,

Your power brings us to birth, Your providence guides our lives, and by Your command we return to dust.

Lord, those who die still live in Your presence,

Their lives change but do not end. We pray in hope for our families, relatives and friends, and for all the dead known to You alone.

In company with Christ, Who died and now lives,

may they rejoice in Your kingdom, where all our tears are wiped away. Unite us together again in one family, to sing Your praise forever and ever. Amen.