

# Church of the Infant Saviour

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**Fifth Sunday of Lent**

**April 2, 2017**

**Infant Saviour, Pine Bush**



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



**Father S. Niranjan Rodrigo, Pastor**  
**Father Raymond Pavlick, Weekend Assistant (Retired)**  
**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:** 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.



**Pray, Fast, Give Alms**

**April 2, 2017  
Fourth Sunday of Lent**

**Mass Intentions**

**Sat: April 1, 2017**

8:00AM: Joan & Henry Carr (Paul & Marianne Rouis)  
5:00PM: Joan Henke (Robert & Nancy Miller)

**Week of April 2, 2017**

**Sun:** 8:00AM: Henry Carr (The Walker Valley Catholic Society)  
9:30AM: Helen Dennedy (The Knights of Columbus)  
11:15AM: Joan Henke (Mindy & Michael Brock)

**Mon:** 8:00AM:

**Tues:** 8:00AM: All Souls in Purgatory

**Wed:** 8:00AM: Elena Marie Purchio (Her Family)

**Thur:** 8:00AM:

**Fri:** 8:00AM: John Nolan (Anne Turnbull)

**Sat:** 8:00AM: John Fay (Happy Birthday In Heaven) (His Family)  
5:00PM: Bob Turnbull (Lou & Cathy Corti)

**April 9, 2017 Palm Sunday**

**Sun:** 8:00AM: Henry Carr (Robert & Nancy Miller)  
9:30AM: Carmina Antunes (Daughter Lisa & Family)  
11:15AM: Helen Dennedy (Pat & Joe Ditizio & Family)

**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 Gail Baumann & Family*

**Readings: April 9, 2017**

First Reading: Isaiah 50:4-7 (38ABC)

Psalm: 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24

Second Reading: Philippians 2:6-11

Gospel: Matthew: The Passion of the Lord 26:14-27:66 or 27:11-54

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

**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, Cole Meier, Jarrett Winum, John Gillespie, Baby Alyssa, Sister Margaret Ellen Burke and Al Masiero

**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.

Please note that holy hour only on April 12th will be from 6-7pm due to church cleaning starting at 7pm. Further information on Church cleaning can be found on page 4 of this bulletin.

**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.

### Who Do We Say That Jesus Is? (3)

Jesus spent most of His hidden years of life in Nazareth, which was a small and insignificant Galilean village. Nazareth was a small and an unknown town in the mountains of the lower Galilee that was situated away from the Sea of Galilee. It was a rural town of barely 200 or 400 inhabitants who lived a very simple rural life. As a small and so much unknown town, it even was not mentioned in the Sacred Scriptures of the Jewish people. At the same time Nazareth was not mentioned in ancient sources outside the New Testament. It was not even cited by the first century Roman-Jewish historian and scholar, Flavius Josephus. Also, in the Gospel of John, Nathanael asked “Can anything good come from Nazareth?” (John 1:46).

Because of the distance from the city of Jerusalem and the difference in the dialect of Galileans, they were often seen as unlearned. And there was a common expression, “Galilean Fool.” Cultural anthropologists, historians, and archaeologists universally agree that languages like, Hebrew, Aramaic, Greek, and Latin were the common languages in the first century era of Palestine during the time of Jesus. With regard to the spoken language of Jesus, Aramaic that was similar to Hebrew could be the normal everyday language of Jesus. The canonical Gospels record Jesus speaking numerous Aramaic words; *Abba* (Mk 14:36), *talitha koum* (Mk 5:41), *ephphatha* (Mk 7:34), and *eloi eloi lama sabachthani* (Mt 27:46, Mk 15:34). Beside Aramaic, He would have known Hebrew from attending Synagogue services by studying, listening, and reading the Hebrew Scriptures (Lk 4:16-21). Though Aramaic was very similar to Hebrew, there were many words and phrases that were borrowed from other languages (such as languages during Babylonian exile). As Galileans, Jesus would have known enough Greek for work and business purposes and perhaps Latin. Though He was fully God in His divine nature, in His fully human nature, Jesus would have spoken the above languages that were common to His culture.

Since life in Nazareth was a rural life, it is obvious that Jesus was not an urbanite. Many thinkers have posed the question with regard to His education; “*Could He read and write? Whether He had a formal education?*” A strong indication is the question His adversaries ask; “How does this man have such learning, when He has never been taught?” (John 7:15). This question of His adversaries may lead us to think critically, “Then, where did He learn?”

The Gospel of Luke demonstrates that Jesus had an insightful knowledge of the Scriptures as early as twelve years old. On one of His visits to the temple in Jerusalem, He astonished the instructors of the temple (who led religious discussions for the young and elderly pilgrims) with His insightful answers (Lk 2:47). We are not sure whether He ever attended any rabbinical schools just like the scribes in His time did. But, Jesus did learn about life and the Jewish religious traditions. Maybe He did not have formal training or a formal study as scribes did, but, all the Gospels testify to the fact that He knew Jewish Scriptures well. Probably, He must have learned and gained His familiarity with the Scriptures by other means.

Learning is a major element of being human. Canonical Gospels clearly indicate that Jesus grew physically, mentally, and spiritually (Lk 2:40, 52). So somewhere in his childhood and youth, someone taught most of what He understood of the Torah and the Jewish religious laws. It is obvious that in His childhood, youth, and manhood, Jesus familiarized Himself with Hebrew Scriptures. Probably, Jesus went to synagogue for rudimentary instruction until a certain age. Further, as a child He would have received more formal instruction about Jewish religious tradition that He was born to from his parents; His Mother Mary and foster Father Joseph, His cousins (specifically John the Baptist), relatives, the elders in His home town, leaders in the synagogues, and so on. Further, He would have gained more inspiration **to go far beyond His Jewish teachings of God** by spending quiet time in prayer and reflecting upon Holy Scriptures. Overall, His intimate acquaintance with the Scriptures during His public ministry testifies to His knowledge and familiarity with them.

When it comes to His skills of reading and writing, mostly since He was an oral teacher or rabbi, the New Testament texts do not indicate much evidence for them. Only, once it is mentioned that He wrote something and it is on the ground (John 8:6-8). According to the situation that He faced, we could assume that He simply did not doodle something on the ground. What He wrote caused the religious leaders to leave the scene though it has been the subject of endless speculation. No scholar knows for certain what He wrote. Then, the Gospel of Luke tells us an incident that indicates that Jesus had the ability to read. He found the place in the scroll where He wanted to read and read the desired portion from the prophet Isaiah in a synagogue service (Lk 4; 16-21).

Overall, if there were certain people who influenced Him **to develop His teachings far beyond the Jewish teachings of God**, it can be a hard to know for certain. **Here, is the mystery of the wisdom of God that was in Him being the Son of God (who is fully divine and fully human) comes into play.**

*Fr. Niranjan Rodrigo, Ph.D.*

## Religious Ed News:

**2nd Level** - April 6 - Parent Meeting with Fr. Rodrigo and Deacon Frank 7PM in the Church Hall.

**2nd Level:** April 21st: Parent/Student Communion Retreat with Ray Boswell Church & Church Hall at 6PM

**8th Level:** Confirmation Workshop April 22, Saturday, 8:30AM-11:30AM - Classrooms, Church & Church Hall -- ALL STUDENTS MUST ATTEND.

Confirmation Candidate & Sponsor Rehearsal 7-9PM - April 24th.  
PBE levels 2-5 and 7th Level on April 11th there will be no classes.  
EJR levels 2-5 on April 12th there will be no classes.

**Mount Saint Mary College** is presenting "Not God's Type: from Atheism to Catholicism" on Tuesday April 4 at 7PM in the Kaplan Family Library, DC218 -- Free open to the public. Dr. Holly Ordway once though she was 'not God's type' -- an atheist professor hostile to Christianity -- but she discovered that following the truth led her on an unexpected journey. In this talk, she shares her evolution of faith, from atheism, to becoming Protestant, to encountering the fullness of the truth in the Catholic Church. Her story shows what it is like to move from outside the Faith to inside, and provides encouragement and insights for those who are helping others to come to the Church as well.

**SPRING FLING: Pine Bush Catholic War Veterans on April 22 from 7PM-11PM** are hosting a Spring Fling with live music by the Mustangs '65 for tickets contact Jim Gill 361-2339 or Nancy at 313-5305 \$10 in advance \$20 at the door. Feel free to bring snacks to enjoy -- but please no outside beverages of any kind -- cash bar will be available.

## **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS LENTEN DINNERS:**

Lenten Dinner Friday **3/31** at 7PM following Stations of the Cross will be red and white clam chowder. This is a take-out meal and is available for \$5 each. A sign-up sheet will be in the back of the Church or you can email us at [kofc5329@hvc.rr.com](mailto:kofc5329@hvc.rr.com). Please let us know how many of each you want. Be advised that the sign-up sheet and email orders should be in no later than Thursday morning. Thank You.



Many hands make light work . Parents please come with your children to help clean the Church on April 12th, at 7PM for the Easter Season. It will be a great way to engage in fellowship with other members of our Church. It will also be a good way for the 7th and 8th grade level children to obtain community hours needed. **IF YOU HAVE OLD TOWELS/PLAIN TSHIRTS THAT YOU CAN DONATE FOR CHURCH CLEANING PLEASE BRING THEM TO PARISH OFFICE BY March 20.**

## Collections:

	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>
Sunday Collection March 19, 2017 (Parishpay included)	\$5,697.96	\$6,156.72 (Easter Sunday Weekly Coll.)

## **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](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 gen your spiritual home. May God Bless You All Abundantly.

## Collections for the Month of April 2017

**April 2: Weekly/Building Fund**

**April 9: Weekly ----- April 14: Holy Land Sanctuary (Good Friday)**

**April 16: Easter Collection**

**April 23: Weekly/Maintenance**

**April 30: Weekly/Church In Europe -----Undated Mother's Day**

**ENCOURAGE:** is a Catholic Apostolate for those who have family members with same sex attraction. A new website has been created to help the faithful who are searching for information about Encourage, the Church's teachings on same sex attraction and spiritual support: [www.encourageny.com](http://www.encourageny.com).

**"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

## **Walker Valley Catholic Society News:** Thursday **April 6:**

Meeting, Follow up on raffle tickets, Easter Basket/May Crowning Plans; **April 9:** Palm Sunday: Make Easter Baskets after 8AM Mass; **April 23:** Spring Coffee Hour after 8AM Mass

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.

**Celebrating Holy Week at Infant Savior** Holy week begins with the celebration of Jesus' entry into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday. During these days of Holy Week, we commemorate the Last Supper of Jesus with His disciples, His crucifixion, His time in the tomb, and His resurrection to new life. Holy Week ends with the glorious celebration of Easter. Let us come and worship together as a parish family and follow Jesus through the last days and event of His life.

**Palm Sunday – April 9, 2017**

Palm Sunday begins Holy Week. The entry of Jesus into Jerusalem was a moment of triumph. People welcomed Him as a king. On this day, we celebrate the glimpse of the glory of Jesus although we read the passion of Jesus for the first time.

**Monday, April 10, 2017** -- Day of Recollection -- Confessions will be heard from 4PM-8PM

**Holy Triduum** These are the most important days of the year in the life of our parish. The Paschal Triduum is the most solemn event of the church year. It encompasses three days during which we commemorate the essential part of our redemption: the suffering death and resurrection of Christ. On these three days, that are to be experienced as one, we celebrate the passage of Christ from death to life.

**Holy Thursday - April 13, 2017 (No 8am Mass)**

The Triduum observance begins at Holy Thursday evening with the Mass of the Lord's Supper. The Washing of the Feet of the Liturgy recalls the commandment of Christ to "love one another" even by going into the extreme of humbling ourselves to become a servant as our Lord. As a whole, the liturgy celebrates the love of Christ for us that is being manifest in the Eucharist and in the sacrifice of Calvary.

**Tenebrae – 8:00 am**                      **Mass of the Lord's Supper - 7:00 pm**

**Good Friday – April 14, 2017 (No 8am Mass)**

The church gathers in silence to read and listen to Holy Scriptures and offer prayers for the whole world. Good Friday features the Adoration of the Cross in a solemn liturgy focused on the death and burial of Christ. In venerating the cross, we acknowledge that through the cross of Jesus we are led to glory.

**Tenebrae – 8:00 am**                      **Good Friday Liturgy – 3 pm**

**Easter Vigil – April 15, 2017 (No 8am Mass or 5pm Mass)**

Easter Vigil is the high point of the entire church liturgical year. The new fire is blessed and candles glow in celebration of Christ as our light. Salvation history is proclaimed through Sacred Scriptures, climaxing in the joyous proclamation that Christ is Risen. Those who have been prepared for baptism enter the church. The night commemorates our sharing in the dying and rising of Jesus.

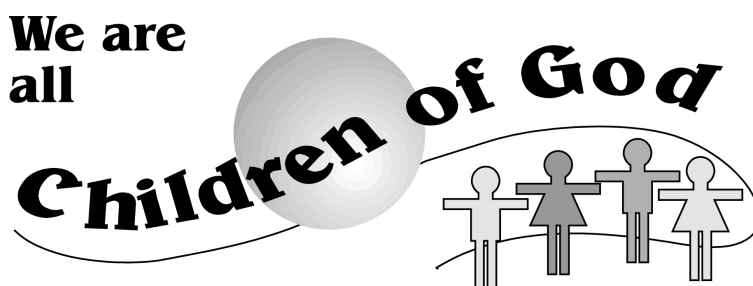
**Tenebrae – 8:00 am**                      **Easter Vigil – 8:00 pm**

**Easter Sunday – April 16, 2017 Christ is Risen! Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!**

Sunday morning 8:00am Our Lady of the Valley, Walker Valley and 9:30 am, and 11:15 am at Infant Saviour Church.

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**ALTAR SERVERS:** Training for the various Holy Week Masses and Good Friday service will be held at 9AM on the day of the Mass/Service. Please plan on the training which will take one hour. Thank you for all you do for God and His people by serving at His altar.



**Lenten Reflection:**

*But take care and watch yourselves closely, so as neither to forget the things that your eyes have seen nor to let them slip from your mind all the days of your life; make them known to your children and your children's children." Deuteronomy 4:9*

In the languages of both Old and New Testaments, the verb "to obey" means "to listen to." Obedience in the Bible then has to do with listening to the call of God with an open heart and giving a wholehearted response. Obedience is a heart to heart relationship with God. So when we ask ourselves the question "what is God calling us to do in our lives?" we find in the Old Testament the basic statutes and ordinances God is calling us to follow, most importantly the Ten Commandments and the important commentaries we find on them from the prophets. God is calling us to understand the centrality of making him the center of our lives which we act out in caring for our sisters and brothers. *In Matthew 5:17-19*, Jesus also tells us clearly that these are his most important priorities. We are to listen to who God is calling us to be as his disciples and recognize that through Jesus, the Father's deepest desires for us will be fulfilled.