

Church of the Infant Saviour

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Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

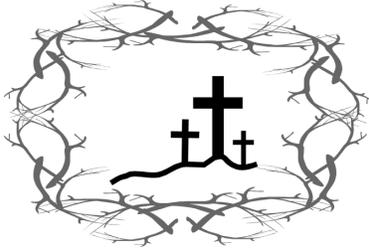
April 9, 2017

Hosanna



**Blessed
is He
who
comes
in the
name
of the
Lord!**

Matthew 21:9b



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Mass Intentions

Sat: April 8, 2017

8:00AM: John Fay (Happy Birthday In Heaven) (His Family)

5:00PM: Bob Turnbull (Lou & Cathy Corti)

Week of April 9, 2017

Sun: 8:00AM: Henry Carr (Robert & Nancy Miller)

9:30AM: Carmina Antunes (Daughter Lisa & Family)

11:15AM: Helen Dennedy (Pat & Joe Ditzio & Family)

Mon: 8:00AM: Elizabeth Colon (L) (Happy Birthday)
(Yolanda, Robert III & Andrew)

Tues: 8:00AM: Cathleen Fay (L) (Her Mom Mary)

Wed: 8:00AM: Kathleen O'Connell (Anne Turnbull)

Holy Thursday

8:00AM: Tenebrae

7:00PM: Mass of the Lord's Supper

Good Friday:

8:00AM: Tenebrae

3:00PM: The Passion of the Lord Liturgy

Holy Saturday:

8:00AM: Tenebrae

8:00PM: Easter Vigil

(There will be no 5PM Mass)

April 16, 2017 Easter Sunday

Sun: 8:00AM: Peg Tremper (Walker Valley Catholic Society)

9:30AM: Helen Dennedy (Ingrassia Family)

11:15AM: Richard Oboyski (Niece, Laura, Grandniece Katie
& Grandnephews John & Kyle)

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

Please note that holy hour only on April 12th will be from 6-7pm due to church cleaning starting at 7pm.

SANCTUARY LAMP:

In Loving Memory of Henry & Joan Carr

Requested by Gillian Batchasingh

Readings: April 16, 2017 - Easter Sunday

First Reading: Acts of the Apostles: 10-34a, 37-43 (42ABC)

Psalm: 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23

Second Reading: Colossians 3:1-4 or 1 Corinthians 5:6b-8

Gospel: Matthew: John 20:1-9

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.

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

Ultraya – 2nd Thursday of the month: 7:30PM, Church Hall

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.

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 Owey (1st Lt. Army), John A. Burrow (Air Force), Breana Mangold (Navy), Christopher Mangold (Navy), Christopher Chase (Ensign, Navy), Nicholas G. Burrow (Air Force), 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.

Culmination of the Liturgical Journey

Palm Sunday is marked as the beginning of “*Holy Week*.” Triduum (a Latin term for “Three Days”) that begins with the Evening Mass of the Lord’s Supper on Holy Thursday, peaks at the Holy Saturday Vigil Mass and ends with Evening Prayer on Easter Sunday. The whole of the Holy Triduum is known as the culmination of the entire Church year since these three days lead us to remember the culmination of Christ’s journey on earth: His Passion, Death, and Resurrection. Therefore, the services during Holy Triduum are foundational to the faith of Christians. And there is no doubt that the liturgies of these days are the most important liturgies of the whole Church year.

One of the significant reasons for Tenebrae services of the Triduum is the space for grief. The aspects of grieving and lamenting are prayerfully reflected in the readings of the Holy Scriptures, Psalms, and hymns of Tenebrae services. Too often, it appears that our church services do not give enough time for expressions of pain, loss, and grief. It appears that the liturgy of the Church rushes us to happy and uplifting things. It is true that we all need the conviction that life is all good and it is something to be enjoyed. But, in reality, life also can be really hard with its suffering and pain.

However, it is not only to focus on our grief and hardships during Triduum. But, they are part of the healing journey of a person to take time to reflect on death and loss as part of life. In our journey of faith -- it is important to leave room for the pain and grief. This becomes real in our daily experience of helping others. We should not rush anyone in grief or despair to joy and hope without giving them space to express the anguish. Therefore, it is important to remember and go through the agony of Good Friday before getting to Easter. Easter as a foundation in the Christian faith only comes because of the passion and death of Christ.

In our Christian way of life, we make a journey through life of Christ that is reflected in the liturgical year. And so, while participating in Holy Triduum, we immerse ourselves in the passion, death, and resurrection of Christ. As we prepare for Easter during this *Holy Week*, let us reflect on the life of Jesus and how He was praised. But, in the same breath, most of those people praised Him, also condemned Him to be crucified. The authorities and some heartless people tried to silence and kill Him, who is the source of life. It was unfortunate that they were not aware of the fact that nobody can kill and silence God. How can anyone silence the very source of their being and the very source of their lives? This is one of the realities that is being excellently illustrated in the movie, “Risen” which ran in the theaters last year. The Roman Military tribune Clavius discovered this truth in his search to find the missing and dead body of the executed Jew (who supposed to be the Christ) among the dead.

During this Holy Week, when we celebrate the culmination of the journey of Christ, the Church invites us to know that all what Christ did was for the love of us. Holy Week is a time to pray and reflect this wonderful reality of the unconditional love of God. In one way God knew that we were worth dying for. And God died for us in spite of the fact we were sinners. It is through prayer and reflection that we can come to know this mystery. Sometimes it is hard to comprehend the mystery of the unconditional love that God has for us. Let’s try to reflect on the pain and agony that Christ had to endure on His way to the cross for our sake. If we do not spend time in prayer and reflection, the words that came from the silence of the empty tomb, “he is risen!” will be merely pretty words.

Time and time again, Christ bears our lives and pains on His shoulders. He does not leave our broken lives. Just as nobody could silence Him through breaking His life on the cross, He does not allow us to be broken forever. Only Jesus can heal our broken lives and our healing begins when we surrender our lives to His unconditional love. We should not allow any outside influence or anyone to strip up of the dignity bestowed upon us by God. May nothing inspire us more than Christ who is the source of life! Faith in Christ is a tremendous gift that God has given us at baptism. Pope Francis says that this gift of faith in Christ is “the greatest gift that we will ever receive.”

Fr. Miranjan Rodrigo, Ph.D.

Religious Ed News:

2nd Level - PLEASE NOTE THAT THE APRIL 6TH MEETING HAS BEEN CANCELLED AND HAS BEEN RESCHEDULED TO BE PART OF THE APRIL 21ST MEETING.

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.

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.encyourageny.com.

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.

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. Niranjana, Deacon Jack or Deacon Frank.

THE HOMEBOUND are visited regularly. To arrange a visit, please call the Parish Office at 744-2391.

WE NEED 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.*

**SAVE THE DATE: MAY 18 THROUGH JUNE 2ND
FROM 7:00 TO 8:30 PM
JOIN US FOR A 6 WEEK PROGRAM DESIGNED TO
HELP FIND GREATER INTIMACY WITH GOD
THROUGH PRAYER
MORE INFORMATION COMING**

Collections:	2017	2016
Sunday Collection April 2, 2017	\$5,827.12	\$6,089.72
Building Fund Collection: \$2,395.00 (Parishpay included)		

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 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

"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
Cash Raffle tickets are still available. Please support this fundraiser as all proceeds will benefit the church. Tickets will be available after all masses the weekend of April 22-23 and in the church office until Monday, May 1st. Thank you for your support! Tickets: \$20 Prizes: \$2500, \$1000, \$500 Drawing: Sunday, May 14, 2017

Catholic NYC Young Adult Mass

Wednesday, April 5th

6:30PM – Holy Hour & Confessions

7:30PM – Mass

St. Patrick's Cathedral

5th Ave. Between 50th & 51st Streets

New York, NY

Post-Mass social at Connolly's on 47th between 5th and Madison Ave. [Facebook Invite](#)

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 3PM-9PM

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.

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.

Divine Mercy Sunday

INFANT SAVIOUR CHURCH

April 23, 2017

2:30PM



We are called to gather together for the Hour of Mercy.

Please join us on April 23rd:

2:30PM: Rosary --- 3:00PM Chaplet of Mercy