

Church of the Infant Saviour

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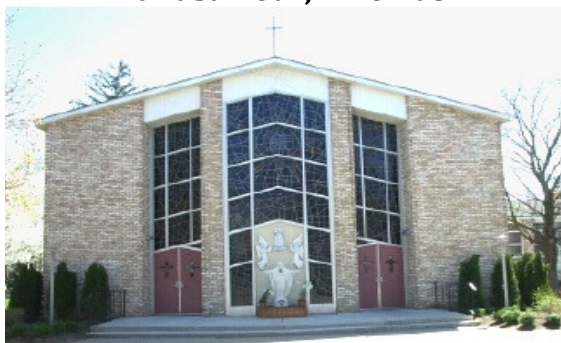
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Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 21, 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 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 – 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: May 20, 2017

8:00AM: Michelina Corchia (Mosen Family)
5:00PM: Bob Turnbull (His Wife Anne)

Week of May 21, 2017

Sun: 8:00AM: Peg Tremper (Jim & Pat Gluszak)
9:30AM: Henry Carr (Gail Baumann & Family)
11:15AM: Brian G. Sapio (His Family)

Mon: 8:00AM:

Tues: 8:00AM: Mary Rose Danza (Jerry & Penny)

Wed: 8:00AM:

Feast of the Ascension:

8:00AM: William Brock (Happy Birthday In Heaven)
(His Family)

7:00PM:

Fri: 8:00AM:

Sat: 8:00AM:

5:00PM: Henry Carr (Ron & Mary Walton)

Week of May 28, 2017

Sun: 8:00AM: Beverly Corcoran
9:30AM: Henry Carr (AFF Team)
11:15AM: Barbara Lewandowski (Dn Jack & Jenn Carr)

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

SANCTUARY LAMP:

In Loving Memory of Mary Garguilo

Requested by: The Grieco Family

Readings: May 28, 2017

First Reading: Acts of the Apostles: 1:12-14 (59A)

Psalms: 27:1, 4, 7-8

Second Reading: 1 Peter 4:13-16

Gospel: John 17:1-11a

Mission Statement of Infant Saviour: We, the Catholic Faith Community of Infant Saviour Parish in Pine Bush, NY center ourselves in the Presence and Worship of the Eucharist and share the love of God through proclaiming the Good News of Jesus Christ. We welcome all faithful to join in our celebration of the love of God and our communion through sacraments, prayer, education, and caring for others and strive to serve the needs of God's people. We dedicate our time, talents, and treasure to the service of all as we build the Kingdom of God and are committed to the education and spiritual guidance of our faithful: adults, youth and children. We commit to this mission in the name of Jesus Christ so that the future generations will be nurtured in our faith tradition.

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 join us

Religious Ed News:

Registration for Religious Education for 2017-2018 year is now in progress PLEASE RETURN COMPLETED FORMS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE any registration received after June 30th will have an additional charge of \$50.00. Any outstanding registration fees for 2016-2017 MUST BE PAID NOW.

If you have a child going into first grade in September you must register your child for Religious Education as quickly as possible

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 Gatzon, 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, 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); 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), Breana Mangold (Navy), Christopher Mangold (Navy), Heather Owey (1st Lt. Army), John A. Burrow (Air Force), Christopher Chase (Ensign, Navy), Nicholas G. Burrow (AirForce), Andrew Starke (Army), Daniel Vasseur (Navy), 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.

First Holy Communion in Infant Saviour

There is no doubt that for most of us an unforgettable meeting with Jesus can be our **First Holy Communion**. In fact, the Sacrament of Eucharist is the source and summit of our Catholic Faith. In this sacrament Roman Catholics partake in the Body and Blood of Christ to be a part of His life. And we receive life of hope and love from God when we receive Holy Communion. Meaningful and hopeful life is something that we receive from God in Christ and not something we try to grab and control on our own.

Once Pope Francis said that he remembered the occasion of his First Holy Communion “as if it were today.”
I was prepared, for a year, by a very good Sister, who was called Dolores. And also the catechists, both were called Alice. They taught us. Then the day arrived.... And we all entered the church with our hands stuck together, like this ... and we sang, a song that perhaps you know: 'O holy altar, guarded by the Angels, I come to you for the first time.'..... But I shall never forget that day.

According to Pope Francis, it is through the Eucharist that all of us have the possibility to be in **true communion with the Church**. This is why it is key for children to make their First Communion. Pope Francis states,
It's important for children to properly prepare for their First Communion, so that there's no child without this Sacrament. The Eucharist is a firm step towards Jesus, along with Baptism and Confirmation.

Most of the parents may remember their First Holy Communion as one of life's most beautiful days. On that day, together with the First Holy Communicants, their parents, siblings, relatives, godparents, catechists generally receive Holy Communion. Christ in Holy Communion that nourishes the whole family leads them to have family celebrations around one table that strengthens their peace and love. While First Holy Communion is one of the great family celebrations, it is also a great day of celebration for the whole parish.

Pope Francis further goes on to explain that the word '**Eucharist**' stems from Greek, which means thankfulness. He explains that the greatest gestures of all are the Last Supper, where God's love and mercy come together. He then added that celebrating the Eucharist is not just about honoring the past.

The Eucharist is such a great gift. That's why going to Mass is so important. Going to Mass not just to pray, but to receive Communion, the Bread and Body of Christ. It saves us, forgives us and it makes us one with the Father. How beautiful!

Last Saturday, on the 13th of May, following 36 students in second grade received Jesus. They are: **Aiden Acosta, Ryan Apelles, Jude Atria, Lillian Atria, Alexander Avila, Amelia Bavolar, Emmett Budney, Alexis Boone, Emma Bordinaro, Caitlin Conklin, Kasey Dempsey, Kaylee Durocher, Yamireth Garcia, Brooke Gluszak, Adriana Gonzalez, Bernard Gonzalez, Autumn Gove, Lars Henry, Gianna Levato, Kara Manheim, Cassidy McCausland, Natalie McMahan, Madeline Monahan, Colin Mullen, Emily Muro, George Nye, George Ricker III, Jaylinn D'Avanzo Smith, Brayden Tuttle, Liam Tuttle, Gabriella Venditti, Ellie VonDeben, Leah Waterman, Matthew Webster, Camdyn Wilson, and Harrison Winter**

On behalf of Infant Saviour Community, I wish to thank all the dedicated teachers that we are blessed to have; **Mrs. Mary Walton, Mrs. Marie Cragan, and Mrs. Angela McMahan**. Further, we would like to thank **Sr. Shinty Antony**, the Director of Religious Education, **Mrs. Gail Baumann** and **Mrs. Jeannette Coates** for their hard work. We also would like to show our great gratitude to **Mr. John DeMatteis** for his yearly dedicated work of making wonderful Rosaries for our First Holy Communicants. We as parish are so appreciative for this kind of ministry that he had been doing for many years.

The children and their families have worked so hard all year long to prepare for this sacramental occasion. **We as a parish, congratulate the children and families for this wonderful blessing. We ask all of you to pray for these children and their families.**

Fr. Niranjan Rodrigo, Pastor

Walker Valley Catholic Society News:

Sunday May 14: Mother's Day May Crowning after 8AM Mass/Raffle drawing.

June/July No Meetings/collect new items from the parish (July-Aug)
Cash Raffle Winners

1st Prize (\$2500): Aldrin Nangoi

2nd Prize (\$1000): Terri Scott

3rd Prize (\$500): Ginny Jacob

We wish to thank our parish, community, family, and friends who supported our raffle. We sold all 400 tickets which allowed us to donate \$4000 to the church. Our next fundraiser is a Tricky Tray Social in October. Thank you again for your continued support of our fundraisers.

Collections:	2017	2016
Sunday Collection May 14, 2017 (Parishpay included)	\$6,037.24	\$5,402.20

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.paritypay.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:

May 21: Weekly

Undated Father's Day

May 25: Feast of the Ascension

May 28: Weekly/Maintenance

June 4: Weekly/Church in Africa

June 11: Weekly/Building Fund

The Annual **Pine Bush Relay for Life** is going to be held on June 10, 2017 beginning at noon. All in the community are invited to come and spend the day at this event. Please if you are a cancer survivor there are many activities for you to enjoy. PLEASE pass the word this is a wonderful event for those who have survived cancer & their loved ones. At 8:30pm we will have our luminary ceremony to honor & remember those we have lost to cancer.



Monday, July 17 Catholic Charities Community Services of Orange and Sullivan's Golf for Charity

8:30 am check-in, 10 am shotgun start West Hills Country Club
121 Golf Links Road Middletown, NY

Opportunities available for golfers, sponsors, and raffle donations. Be a part of a fun-filled day that celebrates our 11th year of providing help and creating hope while we raise much-needed funds to support our neighbors in need throughout Orange and Sullivan Counties.

To get involved, contact Kristin Jensen at 845.294.5124, ext. 303 or kristin.jensen@archny.org.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS 2017 COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP

The Pine Bush Knights Of Columbus is offering a \$500 scholarship for a graduating senior that lives within the Pine Bush School District. As in the past, an essay is needed and this year the topic is as follows: This is the 100th Anniversary of the sightings by the three children of Our Lady of Fatima in Portugal in 1917. Give a short synopsis of the occurrences and explain the significance of Our Lady's words and warnings for Catholics in the present day. The essay should be between 250-300 words and type-written. One winner will be chosen.

The following qualifications are in place:

1. Reside within the Pine Bush School District.
2. Graduating Senior that is attending a college in the Fall
3. Practicing Catholic

Essays must be received no later than June 12. Please include your name and a contact number. They can be emailed to kofc5329@hvc.rr.com Please attach it to the email. or they can be sent to: Knights of Columbus 5329
PO Box 166, Thompson Ridge, NY 10985

Next weekend, **Memorial Day Weekend, the Catholic War Veterans** will be accepting donations for poppies after all of our Sunday Masses. The Catholic War Veterans use these donated funds to support our troops overseas by sending care packages to the men and women who serve our country. As we remember our soldiers, both living and deceased, on this upcoming Memorial Day, please support the Catholic War Veterans in their efforts to thank the men and women of the United States Armed Forces who protect us here at home. God Bless You.

The upcoming three-day **REVIVE MISSION** is a great opportunity to receive a spiritual boost. It is an opportunity to pray and sing together, and to hear the faith journeys of our brothers and sisters in Christ. We encourage you to think about inviting someone – a friend or family member – who might be reluctant to join you here at Mass. Ask them to come on the first or second day and experience what the *Revive* mission has to offer. There will be something for everyone to reflect on. This is a special opportunity for everyone across the archdiocese to join in a shared effort to renew ourselves and our community. We hope to see you there. To sign up for the Revive Mission, go to www.faitheveryday.com and register.

"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

Feast Of The Ascension of Our Lord -- Holy Day of Obligation May 25, Thursday Masses will be celebrated 8AM & 7PM.

"So then the Lord Jesus, after he had spoken to them, was taken up into heaven, and sat down at the right hand of God." Christ's body was glorified at the moment of his Resurrection, as proved by the new and supernatural properties it subsequently and permanently enjoys.⁵³² But during the forty days when he eats and drinks familiarly with his disciples and teaches them about the kingdom, his glory remains veiled under the appearance of ordinary humanity. Jesus' final apparition ends with the irreversible entry of his humanity into divine glory, symbolized by the cloud and by heaven, where he is seated from that time forward at God's right hand. Only in a wholly exceptional and unique way would Jesus show himself to Paul "as to one untimely born", in a last apparition that established him as an apostle.



The veiled character of the glory of the Risen One during this time is intimated in his mysterious words to Mary Magdalene: "I have not yet ascended to the Father; but go to my brethren and say to them, I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God." This indicates a difference in manifestation between the glory of the risen Christ and that of the Christ exalted to the Father's right hand, a transition marked by the historical and transcendent event of the Ascension.

This Final Stage stays closely linked to the first, that is to His descent from Heaven in the Incarnation, only the one who "came from the Father" can return to the Father: Christ Jesus. No one has ascended into Heaven but he who descended from heaven, the Son of man. Left to its own natural powers humanity does not have access to the "Father's House," to God's life and happiness. Only Christ can open to man such access that we, his members, might have confidence that we too shall go where He, our head and our Source, has preceded us.

"And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all men to myself." The lifting up of Jesus on the cross signifies and announces his lifting up by his Ascension into heaven, and indeed begins it. Jesus Christ the new priest of the new and eternal Covenant, "entered, not into a sanctuary made by human hands...but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. There Christ permanently exercises his priesthood, for he "always lives to make intercession for "those who draw near to God through him." As "a high priest of the good things to come" he is the center and principal actor of the liturgy that honors the Father in Heaven.

Henceforth Christ is *seated at the right hand of the Father*: "By 'the Father's right hand' we understand the glory and honor of divinity, where he who exists as Son of God before all ages, indeed as God, of one being with the Father, is seated bodily after he became incarnate and his flesh was glorified.

Being seated at the Father's right hand signifies the inauguration of the Messiah's kingdom, the fulfillment of the prophet Daniel's vision concerning the Son of man: "To him was given dominion and glory and kingdom, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve him; his dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and his kingdom one that shall not be destroyed."⁵⁴⁶ After this event the apostles became witnesses of the "kingdom [that] will have no end".

IN BRIEF:

Christ's Ascension marks the definitive entrance of Jesus' humanity into God's heavenly domain, whence he will come again (*Acts 1:11*); this humanity in the meantime hides him from the eyes of men (*Col 3:3*).

Jesus Christ, the head of the Church, precedes us into the Father's glorious kingdom so that we, the members of his Body, may live in the hope of one day being with him forever.

Jesus Christ, having entered the sanctuary of heaven once and for all, intercedes constantly for us as the mediator who assures us of the permanent outpouring of the Holy Spirit.