

Church of the Infant Saviour

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August 20, 2017

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Infant Saviour, Pine Bush



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

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

Knights of Columbus Council 5329:

Meets the first Thursday of the month in the
Pre-School Building call Charlie Cino 744-6174.

Our Lady of the Valley, Walker Valley



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.

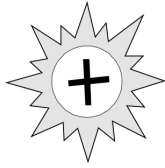
ADULT BAPTISMS:

We use the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults.

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

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.

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.



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Mass Intentions

Sat: August 12, 2017

8:00AM:
 5:00PM: Bob Turnbull (His Wife Anne)

Week of August 13, 2017

Sun: 8:00AM: Ruth Jordan
 9:30AM: Andrew Gallagher & Elizabeth Witzke (Mary

Fay)

11:15AM: Miriam & Michael Seman (Living)
 (Happy Anniversary)

Mon: 8:00AM: Bob Turnbull (His Wife Anne)
Tues: 8:00AM: Bernard & Bonnie Wysocki (Their Daughter)
Wed: 8:00AM:
Thur: 8:00AM: Miguel O'Nate (Robert Colon & Family)
Fri: 8:00AM: James Scott (Laura, John,
 Katie & Kyle Hendrickson)

Sat: 8:00AM:
 5:00PM: Frances Stueber (His Family)

Week of August 27, 2017

Sun: 8:00AM: Beverly Corcoran
 9:30AM: Frank Conti (Happy Birthday in Heaven)
 (Ray & Roserita Dufresene)
 11:15AM: Henry Carr (Mary Friscia)

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

SANCTUARY LAMP:

In Loving Memory of Rachel Rizzo
Requested by Dn Frank & Patti Rose

Readings: August 27, 2017

First Reading: Isaiah 22:19-23 (121A)
 Psalm: 138:1-2, 2-3, 6, 8
 Second Reading: Romans 11:33-36
 Gospel: Matthew 16:13-20

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, Al Masiero, Butch Covert, Mary Fay, and Baby Sydney

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.

Religious Ed News:

Registration for Religious Education for 2017-2018 Still time to register for the 2017-2018 school year -- Appointments are also available by calling the Religious Ed Office 744-9944 ext. 11.

The Religion Classes begin on:

Saturday, Sept 9th, 1st Level Parent Meeting @ 9 am. L. classroom.

Sunday, Sept.10th - 1st Level- First day of Classes

Monday, Sept 11th - 8th Level - Parents/Students meeting at 7.00pm.

Tuesday, September ,12th - PBE 2nd- 5th Level - First day of Classes

Tuesday ,September ,19th - PBE 2nd &3rd Levels Parent Meeting 4:10 - 4.45pm.

Tuesday ,September ,26th - PBE 4th &5th Levels Parent Meeting 4:10 - 4.45pm.

Wednesday, September ,13th - EJR 2nd- 5th Level -First day of Classes

Wednesday, September 27th, - EJR 2nd &3rd Levels Parent Meeting 4:10 - 4.45pm.

Wednesday, October 4th- EJR Levels 4th & 5th Parent Meeting, 4:10 - 4:45pm

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 Owney (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.

Divine Intervention through Miracles

It is the common understanding that miracles are events that occur outside the bounds of the laws of nature. Though miracles occur outside the laws of nature, they are not violating the laws of nature. Rather, miracles are events that break through or surpass the laws of nature. When they happen, the laws of nature appear to be overridden. Hence, miracles that are extraordinary, unusual, and supernatural, cannot be explained by the laws of nature. Also, the normal level of human consciousness finds them hard to accept and comprehend rationally.

This kind of common understanding of miracles as something breaking through or surpassing the laws of nature by overriding them has close connections to the revealed truths of biblical authors in relation to miracles. Since the laws of nature appear to be overridden when miracles happen, such acts can only be ascribed directly or indirectly to God or to a divine being. And so, miracles appear to be events that occur when God acts differently than usual. Again, miracles are events that can be caused by divine interventions in a different way.

The history of religions has preserved the records of unusual and extraordinary events and actions as miracles. These miracles are usually taken as manifestations of the power of God or the divine being fulfilling his purpose on history. And they carry a religious and a spiritual message for the benefit and redemption of humanity.

Although most of the miracles like to be extraordinary in nature, they are more than extraordinary events. In that sense, we should not limit ourselves just to be overwhelmed by the wonder and awe we experience of miraculous events. Rather we need to seek the purpose and meaning of any miracle and healing. For God uses miracles to fulfill the purpose and meaning of the events of the world. Miracles should be vehicles of meaning. Also, they are 'signs' from God, which invite for a personal response of commitment and conversion in faith. The Bible assumes a broader definition of miracles expressed by the term, "revealing sign from God," which refers to those extraordinary occurrences that allow one to know that God is at work. Miracles are revealed signs of the kingdom of God that would come.

Miracles in the Bible include unexpected recoveries and healing from illness, reversals in battle, and calming of sudden storms, etc. Therefore, miracles are not an end unto themselves just to experience wonder and awe. Rather they are part of the ongoing story of God and how He brings His purpose and fulfillment here on earth. In the Bible we find that God often shows a preference and love for the poor in working miracles.

Many people question "Why some are granted miracles and others are not? Why does God heal some and let others die?" In order to understand the reality of why some are granted miracles and healing and others are not, we need to know that miracles are not primarily for the person healed. Rather, miracles are signs of the healing power of God for all people. They are signs of the workings of God in the ultimate healing called 'salvation.' God who gives life does not actively will death or disease of anyone. And so, miracles become signs of God's working unto death and disease once and for all. For the Bible states that in time God will wipe away every tear (Rev. 21:4).

In the past years, part of my ministry as a hospital chaplain, I have experienced that sometimes we can be surprised to find that even when patients know that they may die soon, they begin to achieve a kind of peace little by little. Some of them come to a realization, "We are in the hands of God." While many pray for physical healing asking for a miracle, they also pray for God's will be done. The night before His passion and crucifixion, Jesus prayed in the garden while His sweat turned into blood, "Father, if you are willing, take this cup from me; yet not my will, but yours be done." (Luke 22:42)

The surprising thing is some who are spiritual and religious; begin to accept their sickness and death as it is, even if they do not experience physical healing. It is so unbelievable to see that there can be a sense of peace, when both the patients and their families are confronted with issues of life and death. Still, there can be a lot of shock, dismay, and anger (especially at God), especially in the beginning stages of a chronic sickness. However, while the sickness progresses, amidst all these feelings of shock and anger, we can see that there is a sense of peace rather than anger. This can be similar to an inner transformation, which can be healing. That can be considered as a miracle.

Fr. Niranjan Rodrigo, Ph.D.

Our RCIA journey will be starting on Monday, August 28th. If you're interested in becoming Catholic or already are Catholic, but have not yet completed all of your sacraments of initiation, please contact the Parish Office or Dcn. Jack to register. Thank you. God Bless You.

2017 Backpack for Kids

Heart of the Hudson Girl Scout Troop 711 and Infant Saviour Church would like to send a warm thank you to all who have generously donated for this worthwhile and rewarding project. Because of your generosity the kids in need in our Pine Bush School Community will have backpacks and school supplies to go to school with. Thank You!☺

If you have any items you want to donate after the 20th of August please bring it to one of the school nurses in EJR or PBE. Thank you.

Collections:

August 20: Weekly

August 27: Weekly/Maintenance

Collections: 2017

Sunday Collection: August 13, 2017 \$5,034.12

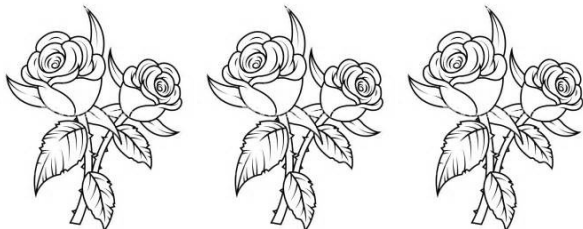
Building Fund: \$3,296.00

(Parishpay included)

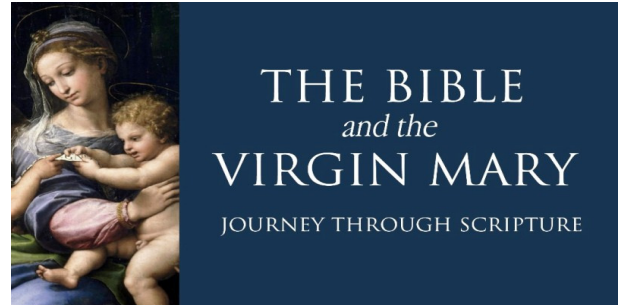
WHAT IS PARISH PAY?

Parish Pay is an alternative means of fulfilling your stewardship commitment to Infant Saviour Church that benefits both you and the parish. It is considered as the best means available of supporting our Parish. Instead of weekly and special collection envelopes, the program collects your contribution amount from your checking, savings, or credit account on the date and frequency you specify. The funds you designate are deducted from your account and directly credited to Infant Saviour Church. Currently, we have 73 families in our Parish participating in ParishPay and we would like to grow that number. Enrollment is easy, friendly, secure, confidential and most of all there is no cost to you for using Parish Pay.

IT'S EASY TO SIGN UP! The quickest way to enroll is by using the website www.parishpay.com and scroll down to the "get Started" link and placing the Church's zip code in or by calling the Parish Office @ (845) 744-2391 x 10. There is also a link to Parish Pay through our own parish website, www.infantsaviour.org. For those of you who worry about what other people will think when you don't put anything in basket, you can simply deposit an empty envelope in the basket with the words Parish Pay written on the amount. We encourage you to surf out to the Parish Pay website and see just what this way of giving has to offer. Thank you in advance for your continued generosity to Infant Saviour Parish, your spiritual home. May God Bless You All Abundantly.



Formed: *The Bible and the Virgin Mary* is a dynamic twelve-part video series that beautifully explains the Catholic truths about Our Lady, showing how she has been a part of God's plan to bring salvation to the world since the beginning of time. In addition to explanation of dogmas, answers to common objections, and demonstration of Mary's presence in the Old and New Testaments, this study discusses Church-approved Marian apparitions that play an important role in Catholic Tradition. It's sure to help Catholics and non-



Catholics alike grow in an understanding and appreciation of the Mother of God. To use Form 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.

Catholic War Veterans is having Collections for the Troops Overseas:

CWV have been sending packages overseas for the past 12 years. To date we have sent over 840 packages with a combined weight of over 17,000 lbs and costing \$131,000.00. They have also donated 15 baskets of items to the wounded warriors who are undergoing rehabilitation at West Point. Do you have a friend, neighbor or relative in Iraq or Afghanistan -- if so, please give us their address and we will send them packages of goodies and toiletries. The troops must be stationed in Iraq or Afghanistan and must be there for at least two months to ensure that they receive the packages. You can send their address to the Post's E-mail CWVPOST1937@gmail.com or to me, Jim Gill at Captain49truck@msn.com or call me at 845-361-2339, or call Ted Lewandowsky at 744-2234. Anyone wishing to send a monetary donation can send it to Catholic War Veterans, Post 1937, P.O. Box 1599, Pine Bush, NY 12566 - Please make checks out to the Catholic War Veterans and mark the check "Soldiers Fund". If you wish to donate needed items, they can be dropped off here on Mondays and Wednesdays from 11AM-2PM August through December. Items needed are listed on our Website infantsaviour.org in our August 13th bulletin. If you wish to ship packages on your own, please place non-food items in a separate package from food. Instructions are available from ANYSOLDIER.COM. All items must be new (except books) and in original package. Monetary donations are also accepted. They will be used to pay postage.

WALKER VALLEY CATHOLIC SOCIETY NEWS:

Sept.7: Meeting: Tricky Tray Social Plans/Baskets due/Wrap night
Oct. 5: Meeting: Final plans for Tricky Tray Social
Oct. 14: Tricky Tray Social: Infant Saviour Church Hall; doors open at 6PM.
Oct. 22: Fall Coffee Hour (After 8AM Mass)

Updates of Renew & Rebuild

I had the opportunity of speaking at all of the Masses. Again, Renew + Rebuild is a \$200 million archdiocesan campaign aimed at providing financial support to parishes to help ensure their growth and sustainability. \$144 million of the funds raised in this campaign will be directed to parishes to address their own local concerns. The Cardinal's Appeal is incorporated into this campaign for this year.

Every parish in the archdiocese will participate in this campaign. Each parish has their own goal. Therefore, parishes all over the archdiocese are given an opportunity to renew and strengthen their ministries and building facilities since the largest portion of the campaign goal (74%) will be given to the parishes. That means from \$653,000 of our assigned goal, 74% will be given to our parish of Infant Saviour and its mission church, Our Lady of Valley. This is a five year campaign, so whatever you pledge, can be paid over a five year period.

Over the last several months we have been meeting with parishioners. I am happy to announce that build the foundation of this campaign by making their sacrificial pledges so generously. The total pledges raised at present are \$312,450.00. We are almost 46% of our assigned goal. 32 families/parishioners have pledged sacrificially towards this campaign. The average gift at this point is around \$10,000.

On behalf of Cardinal Dolan and Infant Saviour parish, I Fr. Niranjan Rodrigo would like to thank all these families and individual parishioners for their presence in the parish and their generous and sacrificial participation in their parish projects. We are so overwhelmed by the generosity of our 32 parishioners/families for their sacrificial gifts. We are also so grateful for all those of you who will be giving.... We pray for your decision....

As we continue to grow as a parish family, it is essential that our facilities be maintained, and that we provide the best possible programs for the children and adults in our parish. Your presence and generosity here in your parish have always helped all of us to grow in Christ.

Fr. Niranjan Rodrigo, Pastor.

You are invited to join Father Rodrigo and Nancy Finnegan as they present on Thursday, Sept. 14, 21 and 28th:



ST. PAUL-THE APOSTLE

THURSDAY SEPT. 14-28 2017

7:00-8:30 P.M.

DONATION \$ 5.00

Registration for class will be held after each Mass this weekend.

**Virtual Tour of Lourdes
Church of the Infant Saviour
22 Holland Avenue
Pine Bush, NY 12566**

North American Lourdes Volunteers will present a 2-hour VIRTUAL PILGRIMAGE to Lourdes, France, at Church of the Infant Saviour on Sunday, August 27 at 2:00 pm. During this guided Lourdes experience., you will immerse yourself in the Gospel Message of Lourdes. As part of this spiritual opportunity to draw nearer to God with Our Lady and St. Bernadette, you will receive a Eucharistic blessing and pray the Rosary. Come and experience the healing grace of Our Lord Jesus Christ through His Immaculate Mother. Invite your family, children and friends! Our Lady extends her invitation to all! The next best thing to visiting Lourdes itself is a Pilgrimage journey without the travel! For more information, call the Parish Office at (845) 744-2391.

If you are not a registered Parishioner and would like to register or have a change of address please fill out form and drop in collection basket or mail to the Rectory.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP:	Date: _____
Name _____	
Street _____	
City _____	Zip _____
Phone No. _____	
	Check
_____	New Registration receive envelopes _____
	_____ Change of Address
	_____ Moving out of Parish