

# Church of the Infant Saviour

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## *Fifth Sunday of Lent*

### **Infant Saviour, Pine Bush**



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



#### **CHURCH LEADERSHIP:**

Father S. Niranjan Rodrigo - Administrator  
Deacon Jack Carr  
Mr. Frank Rose - Trustee  
Deacon Jack Carr – Parish Council President  
Mrs. Patricia Ditizio – Parish Secretary/Notary Public

**PARISH OFFICE HOURS:** Monday, Wed– Friday  
9:00 AM-12 PM and 1:00PM – 4:00 PM, & Tues. 9AM-6PM (744-2391)

#### **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 Saturday or Sunday by appointment.

Please call the Rectory at 744-2391

**Baptism Catechesis** is offered on the third 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.

#### **ADULT BAPTISMS:**

We use the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults.  
Please call Marcie Acevedo at 457-5634 for information.

#### **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 5329:**

Meets the first Thursday of the month in the Church Hall. Any questions, call Charlie Cino at 845-744-6174

#### **EDUCATION & YOUTH LEADERSHIP:**

Religious Education Office – 744-9944  
Mrs. Gail Baumann – Coordinator  
Mrs. Jeanette Coates – Secretary

#### **ADULT FAITH FORMATION:**

Gail Baumann, Coordinator 744-9944

#### **CATHOLIC YOUTH ORGANIZATION:**

Jeanette & Don Coates 744-9944  
Lula & Michael Tartaglione

#### **RCIA COORDINATOR:**

Marcie Acevedo – 457-5634

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

#### **DEVOTIONS:**

**Rosary** – 7:40 Rosary said before Daily Mass

**Miraculous Medal Novena** – after Saturday 8:00AM Mass

**Holy Hour** – Wednesday, 6:30 – 7:30PM

Last Wednesday of Every month Holy Hour will be held at Our Lady of the Valley in Walker Valley 6:30-7:30.

**Marian Prayer Group** – 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays, 10:30AM, Mother's Chapel

**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 or Deacon Jack



## March 8, 2015 Third Sunday Of Lent

### Mass Intentions

#### Sat: March 21, 2015

8:00AM:

5:00PM: In Thanksgiving of Saint Anthony (Anne Palmer)

#### Week of March 22, 2015

**Sun:** 8:00AM: Paul Perry (Luis & Marie Aponte)

9:30AM: Theresa Kot (Kot Family)

11:15AM: Julia Satterfield (Annette & Bruce Kahle)

**Mon:** 8:00AM: Michael Fay (L) (Mary Fay)

**Tues:** 8:00AM:

**Wed:** 8:00AM:

**Thur:** 8:00AM:

**Fri:** 8:00AM:

**Sat:** 8:00AM: Rosalina & Domingo Rodriguez (Daughter,  
Grandchildren & Great Grandchildren)

5:00PM: Marie Vasseur (Grieco Family)

#### Week of March 29, 2015

**Sun:** 8:00AM: John Kiselak, Sr. (Joseph Delenek)

9:30AM: Patricia Farrell (LaCovara Family)

11:15AM: Paul Pohlman (Roselle Brock & Family)

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

Spanish Masses will be held on the first and third Sunday of every month.

### Sanctuary Lamp:

*In Loving Memory of Marie Vasseur*

*(Happy Birthday In Heaven)*

*Requested by : Mary Fay*

#### Holy Week Schedule:

March 30, Monday: A Day of Recollection

Confessions will be heard from 3PM-9PM

April 2, Holy Thursday: 8:00AM: Tenebrae

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

April 3, Good Friday 8:00AM: Tenebrae

3:00PM: Liturgy of the Passion

April 4, Holy Saturday 8:00AM: Tenebrae

8:00PM: Easter Vigil

April 5, Easter Sunday 8:00AM; Our Lady of the Valley

9:30AM: Infant Saviour

11:15AM: Infant Saviour

2:00PM: Spanish Mass, Infant Saviour

#### Readings: March 29, 2015, Palm Sunday

Gospel: Mark 11:1-10 (37B) or John 12:12-16

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

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

Second Reading: Philippians 2:6-11

Gospel: Mark 14:1-- 15:47 or 15:1-39

**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

**Mass Intentions:** If you wish to have a Mass said you can call or stop by the Parish Office to schedule Mass(es) needed – Phone # 744-2391. You may also reserve an unannounced Mass for \$5.00

#### **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:** Darlene Schulz, Steven Pondi, Ellie Carter, Ashley Barco, Baby Sean, Michael Thompson, Michelle Condenzio, John Araneo, Roland Mora, Helen Denedy, George Burrow, Joan Moschetto, Michael Martino, Annie Napolitano, Herbert Black, Theresa Madigan, Harry Brown, Pat Matteo, Jeffrey Selear, Bob Carlson, Colleen Minik, Jack Botta, George Rescigno, Matthew Schaffner, William Meyers, Richard Tanagretta, Diane DeGatano, Doris Bennett, Jeanie Kane, Alexander Elia, Bob Broughal, Ed Gatzen, Thomas Fitzsimmons, Edward Staff, Mary A. Thomas, Jordan Bumgartner John McPhillips, Nicolina Rigg, Rose Marie Cahill, Kathy Ross-Collins, Rose Marie Wilkins, John Giuliano Joseph Manfredi, Regina Schelin, Jill Westerfield Davis, Thomas Nendze, Dorothy Klauss, Terrence Mahoney, Anthony Gordon and John Araneo

#### RELIGIOUS ED 744-9944:

#### **Easter Egg Hunt March 28th at 10AM**

Substitute teachers are needed especially for Monday and Tuesday evenings levels 6, 7 and 8. If you are able to help please call the Religious Ed Office at 744-9944 ext. 11.

*For information or club dates on events for young adults please look on Infant Saviour's website at [infantsaviour.org](http://infantsaviour.org)*

#### **WALKER VALLEY CATHOLIC SOCIETY NEWS:**

**Palm Sunday:** Make Easter Baskets after 8 AM Mass

**Walker Valley Catholic Society meetings will now be held on Tuesdays at 6 PM. Revised calendars have been mailed to all members. Any questions, please call Nancy Miller 744-3782.**

**THE WALKER VALLEY CATHOLIC SOCIETY** Our successful Tricky Tray Socials in 2014 had much to do with the generosity of donations from the parish. We hope we can count on your continued support in 2015. We already have our donations boxes out as our first Tricky Tray event will be on April 25. We will be collecting NEW items until the end of March Thank you in advance for your help and support!

**Have you seen It?** 10" Tall White Ceramic Angel is Missing from Vestibule of Church, it was given to the Church as a gift in memory of the children killed in Northfork, CT. If you have seen it please return it. Thank you.

From the Administrator

## Life of Prayer during Lent

In our busy world, the Season of Lent provides with an opportunity to reflect upon the patterns of life that we live and to re-examine our prayer life. Also, this season of grace invites us to experience reconciliation with God and one another, and then to know how generous we can be to those in need. While fasting mostly has to do with our relationship to ourselves (to certain extent to our own bodies) and almsgiving has to do with our relationship with others, especially with the needy, **life of prayer** obviously has to do with our relationship with God and with others. Some describe prayer as a conversation that we have with God. However, I believe that it can be more meaningful to define prayer as a personal relationship with the living and loving God.

Most of the time when we discuss about prayer, we may have the notion, which can be one sided, that prayer is something that “we do” by ourselves. This one way of understanding about prayer may lead us to difficulties, discouragement, and struggling with boredom in prayer and/or confusion and questions with regard to praying. As I understand, in some ways, this way of thinking about prayer may resemble *Pelagianism*. This aspect of *Pelagianism* was an early century heresy concerning *grace*. In that sense, it is important to have a broader understanding of prayer. **Authentic prayer is essentially what God does, how God addresses us, and how He looks at us. It is not something that we alone do to God or something that we alone give to God.**

*Pelagianism*, is a teaching of Pelagius (an English or Irish lay monk) emphasized that human beings have free will. It gave strong emphasis to the notion that there is no original sin. In the understanding of Pelagius, Adam and Eve had provided a bad example and influence, which did not harm interiorly their descendants. The fall of Adam and Eve injured only themselves. Then, the newborn children are in the same condition as Adam and Eve before they fell. The influence of Adam and Eve simply makes it easier for Christians to accomplish what is in their power in any case. And with or without grace, it is the human will that must take the initiative in moving toward salvation. In other words, human beings can achieve salvation through their own efforts. And so, they must earn their salvation by what they do. Thus, Pelagius encouraged his followers a strong ascetical life, reducing *grace* to the good example provided by Christ. Further, he emphasized that humankind will not die because of the ‘sin of Adam and Eve.’ At the same time, humankind will not rise because of the redemption of Christ. St. Augustine of Hippo found the views of Pelagius heretical. Thus, Pelagianism was condemned at the Councils in North Africa (Carthage) in 416 and 418 and then by the Council of Ephesus in 431.

The opposite of Pelagianism is the belief that our actions begin by the initiative of God. It is God who initiates and we simply respond to Him. In the same way, prayer is something that God is doing for us through His grace. Although the traditional understanding of prayer appears to be like a human effort of lifting our minds and hearts to God, it is not wholly a human effort. Prayer is not primarily something that we are doing to God or something that we give to God. Deeper experience of prayer of many spiritual persons will reveal that prayer is what God is doing for us. And what God is doing for us is revealing and giving us His divine Self in love. God’s unconditional love desires to relate to us. This is why we all live. It is because, we receive life from God.

Sometimes, we do not have to struggle or to worry about finding some way or a method to pray to be in contact with God. We simply have to pray. His grace is sufficient for us to pray. Therefore, to come to a prayerful state, we do not need to be perfect. We are called to come before the Lord in prayer as we are. Even though we pray every day, we still may experience little excitement, lots of boredom, distractions, and regular temptations. Pope Francis said that we should not worry about being sinners, but, should concentrate on allowing Jesus to transform us. This season offers a very special opportunity to grow in our relationship with God.

*Fr. Niranjan Rodrigo*



## Thanking God for our Prayerful Lenten Mission

It is good to thank our Almighty Father for giving us a prayerful and meaningful mission in Infant Saviour. God so blessed us by sending us a wonderful preacher like Fr. Romano Stephen O.F.M. to conduct the whole mission. I believe that everyone will agree that God was really moving us and challenging us in the path of our discipleship during the days of the mission. My heartfelt thanks go to Almighty God for sending us Fr. Romano and also for blessing this occasion to have it peacefully. I would like to thank Deacon Jack Carr and Acolyte Frank Rose very specially for their great cooperation and also the Adult Faith Community for advertising it and playing a great role at the mission. Also, as a parish we are grateful for the musicians, choir members, ushers, altar servers, lectors, the Knight of Columbus, and all those who brought baked goods for helping us to have this mission in a prayerful way. Above all thank you all for your wonderful presence at the mission. Your prayerful presence and encouragement is a sign of hope for this parish. God Bless you all. *Fr. Niranjan Rodrigo*

# *Divine Mercy Sunday*

## **INFANT SAVIOUR CHURCH**

April 12, 2015

2:30PM



**We are called to gather together for the Hour of Mercy.  
Please join us on April 12th:**

**2:30PM: Rosary**

**3:00PM Chaplet of Mercy**