

Church of the Infant Saviour

22 Holland Avenue, Pine Bush, NY 12566

April 5, 2015

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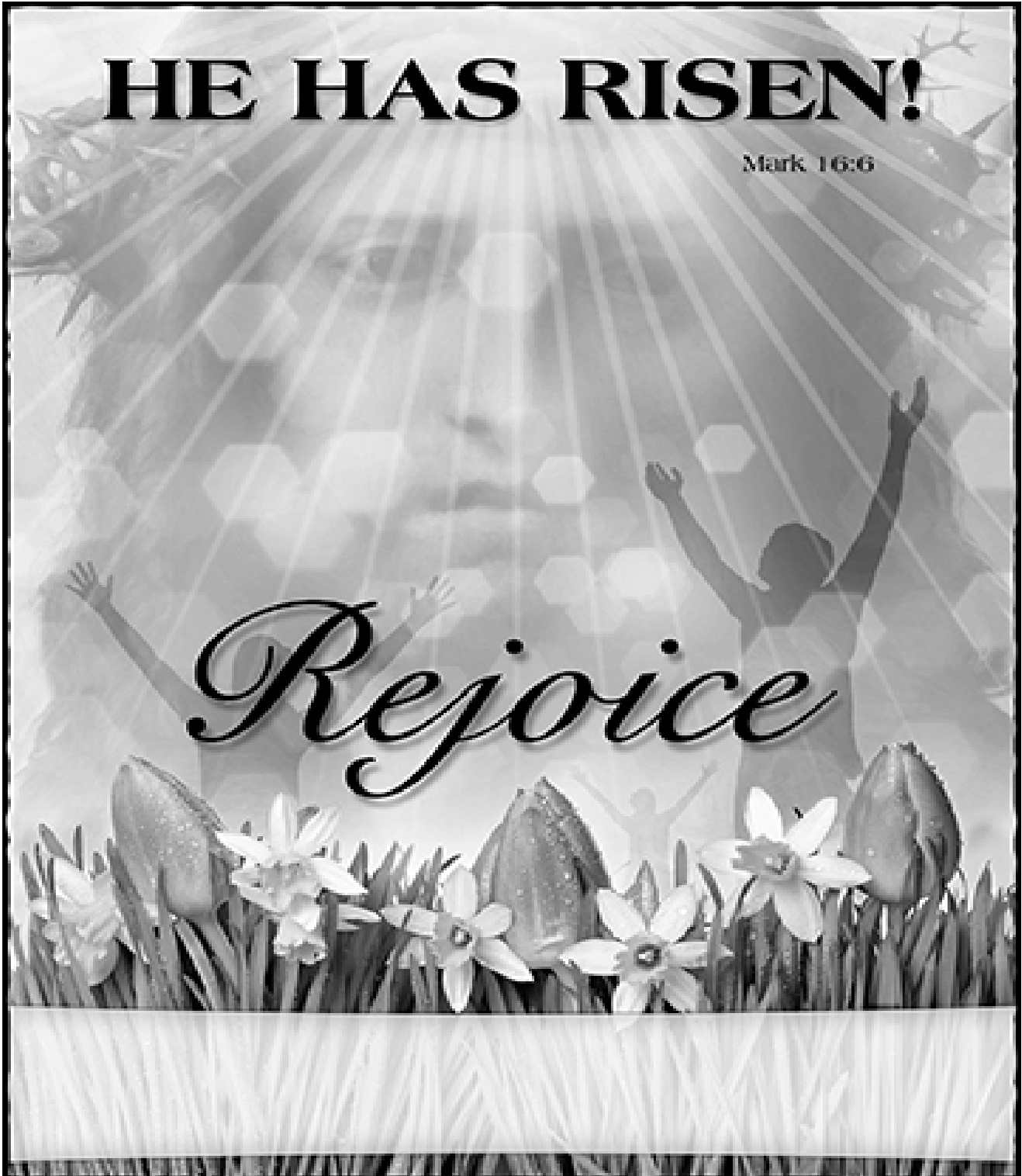
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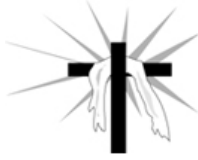
Easter Sunday

HE HAS RISEN!

Mark 16:6

Rejoice





April 5, 2015 Easter Sunday

Mass Intentions

Sat: April 4, 2015

Holy Saturday:

8:00AM: Tenebrae

8:00PM: Easter Vigil

Week of April 5, 2015

Sun: 8:00AM: Anthony Gasparovic (Kiselak Family)

9:30AM: Sam Napolitano (His Family)

11:15AM: Harriet Richards (Annette Tuthill)

2:00PM: Hermian Rivera (Her Daughter Marie & Family)

Mon: 8:00AM: Bernard & Bonnie Wysocki (Their Daughter)

Tues: 8:00AM: Andrew & Johanna Seman (Their Son Michael)

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

Thur: 8:00AM: Vincent Rispoli (His Family)

Fri: 8:00AM:

Sat: 8:00AM: Catherine Fay (L) (Her Mother Mary Fay)

5:00PM: Carmina Antunes (9th Anniversary In Heaven)
(Her Daughter Lisa & Family)

Week of April 12, 2015, Divine Mercy Sunday

Sun: 8:00AM:

9:30AM: Leroy Palmer (His Wife Ann & Family)

11:15AM: Rosalina & Domingo Rodriguez

(Their Daughter & Grandchildren & Great Grandchildren)

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

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

Sanctuary Lamp:

In Loving Memory of Brendan Bittner

Requested by The Ditizio Family

Readings: April 12, 2015, Divine Mercy Sunday

First Reading: Acts of the Apostles 4:32-35 (44B)

Psalms: Psalm 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24

Second Reading: 1 John 5:1-6

Gospel: John 20:19-31

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.

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

Please pray for the sick: Darlene Schulz, Steven Pondi, Ellie Carter, Ashley Barco, Baby Sean, Michael Thompson, Michelle Condenzio, John Araneo, Roland Mora, Helen Denny, 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 Riggi, 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:

April 6 there will be no classes for 6th and 8th Levels.

Classes will resume on April 13th for 6th and 8th levels.

For information or club dates on events for young adults please look on Infant Saviour's website at infantsaviour.org

Would you like to improve your prayer life, come learn and experience different types of prayer with us. You can experience Lectio Divina, Centering Prayer, Healing Prayer and Praying in Color. Workshops will be held on Thursday evenings from 7-8:30PM dates are April 23 and 30th, and May 7 and 21st. To register please contact the Parish Office at 744-2391 ext. 10 or the Religious Ed Office at 744-9944 ext. 11.

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.

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 – 2nd & 4th Wednesdays, 10:30AM, Mother's Chapel

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

Eucharistic Adoration – First Friday of the Month: 9AM – 6PM

ADULT FAITH FORMATION:

Gail Baumann, Coordinator 744-9944

CATHOLIC YOUTH ORGANIZATION: Jeanette & Don Coates and Lula & Michael Tartaglione 744-9944

We would like to wish everyone at Infant Saviour and their families a very Blessed and Happy Easter .

"Return to me, and I will return to you, says the Lord of hosts." (Malachi 3:7)

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.

April 7: Meeting: Tricky Tray Social, Follow up on Business Donations

April 14: Tricky Tray Basket Workshop: 4-6 PM

April 19: Spring Coffee Hour/Tricky Tray Baskets due

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**April 25th, Doors open at 6:00PM,
Infant Saviour Church Hall
Hosted by
The Walker Valley Catholic Society**

COLLECTIONS:	2015	2014
Sunday Collection 03/29/2015 (parish pay included)	\$5,991.22	\$7,238.40

Thank you for your generosity.

Collections for the Month of April 2015

- April 3: Holy Land Sanctuary
- April 5: Weekly/Easter
- April 12: Weekly/Building Fund
- April 19: Weekly
- April 26: Weekly/Maintenance

PARISHPAY is a really good alternate means of support for our Church in which **96 families** in our Parish are currently participating instead of using envelopes. Parish Pay will now collect weekly or monthly contributions from your checking, savings or credit card each Month at NO cost to you. It is all highly confidential and secure. The quickest, easiest and secure way to enroll is through using the website www.parishpay.com., or calling the Parish Office 744-2391 x10

PLEASE REMEMBER OUR MILITARY IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Henry Brylowski Jr. (Army); John Walton (Army) Ryan Gordon (Navy); (Navy); 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) Jon M. Donofrio (Marines); Michael Ditzio (Navy), Captain Caitlin Conley (Fort Bragg, NC) James Grabinski (US Air Force), Jeremy Reinhardt (Navy) Eddison Parris (Camp Lejeune, NC); Capt. Francis Pascucci (USMC), CPT Jennifer Pascucci, (Army); Michael Haffner (Airforce), Heather Owey (1st Lt. Army), John A. Burrow (Air Force), Breana Mangold (Navy), Christopher Mangold (Navy), Christopher Chase (Midshipman, Navy), Nicholas G. Burrow (AirForce), Andrew Starke (Air Force), 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 (T/Sgt., Air Force), Casey Fay (1st. Lt., Army), Brian Daniel Gray (Marines), Devin Masiero (Marines), William LaCovara (Air Force)

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.

Cardinal's Appeal 2015 The Appeal is critical to the work and life of the Archdiocese of New York and each of its Parishes including ours. Goal: \$42,000.00; As of April 3, 2015 Pledged: \$15,670.00 -- 65 Gifts. There will be an in-pew collection this weekend March 20 and 21st. Please consider a sacrificial pledge to the 2015 Appeal. Thank you

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 Paris _____	

**From the Administrator,
Believing in the Resurrection**

Things are put on hold after Good Friday Service. We remember the death of Jesus on Good Friday since He probably died on a Friday, most likely in the early part of April of AD 30. Holy Saturday is a day of waiting. Mary, the mother of Jesus, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of Joseph, and Joseph of Arimathea who was a pious Jew saw where the body of Jesus had been laid. But, when some of the ladies came to the tomb the day after the Sabbath with aromatic oil and spices to give Jesus a proper Jewish burial, they did not find His body. The large stone had been rolled back. One or more angels dressed in white made a supernatural testimony that Jesus had been raised from the dead.

On historical grounds something unusual happened on that occasion. The tomb where Jesus had been buried was empty. And that empty tomb became a place of pilgrimage since the beginning of Christianity. The resurrection of Christ was the central character of the conviction of St. Paul. He says, "If Christ has not been raised from the dead, then, our proclamation has been in vain and our faith has been in vain (1Cor 15:14). However, neither in the Gospels nor in any other New Testament documents, was it mentioned that the actual resurrection of Jesus was said to have been witnessed by someone on the spot. Until now we do not have a written statement of someone from the first century, who had witnessed Jesus rising from the grave, including the women who visited the tomb of Jesus, Peter, and even the beloved disciples of Jesus who saw and believed, witnessed only the emptiness of the tomb and the burial cloths.

But, the judgment on the historicity of the event may not rest on evaluation of the reports of the "empty tomb." It was not an adequate testimony that can prove that Jesus is raised from the dead. A missing body in an empty tomb could have been stolen as well as it has been risen. The supernatural testimony of a messenger dressed in white or Jesus Himself appearing to them could be the genuine ways for the eye-witnesses to make them believe that He is risen. And so, the claims of those who saw Jesus after the resurrection and the transformation into a change of heart and a hope-filled new-life could be a powerful witness to believe that Jesus is risen.

And so, the resurrection of Christ may go beyond human observation since an eschatological transformation could be so hard to portray in pictures. That way, it can be almost impossible to describe or explain about resurrection purely from the human point of view. But, we can experience the effects of this unique event in the widespread church of Christ. That is why we gather solemnly on every Easter to celebrate this mysterious and unique event of the whole history. The boldest claim that the first followers of Christ made was that Jesus who died on the cross and was buried, was raised from the dead. Since the resurrection of Christ became so central to the preaching of the apostles, it has become the central doctrine of our Christian faith.

The resurrection of Christ is asserted as a unique historical event. This reality of resurrection is mostly outside the realm of scientific investigation. Not only that the place where Jesus was resurrected is not mentioned in the Gospels, but also the exact time is not recorded in them. However, almost all the Gospel writers agree that Jesus rose 'on the third day.' But, there have been certain modern theologians who claimed that Jesus rose spiritually 'leaving His flesh and bones to rot in the grave.' There were many who stated that the appearances of the Risen Lord were nothing more than just visions that His disciples had. While some insisted that they were only visions, others went further saying that they were not simply visions, but, hallucinations. However, to the Jews at that time, such a claim was impossible. For them to regain life involves both body and soul. Resurrection is not the same as the immortality of the soul. Similarly, in recent times, some authors began to say that it was only a "spiritual" resurrection as if Jesus only found new life in the memories of its follower.

But, the divinely inspired authors of the Gospels make clear that the Risen Lord was not a vision, not a hallucination, not even a spirit or a ghost, but, a real person with body, soul, and mind. Even the early Church fathers who were the contemporaries of the apostles and probably who were taught by the apostles noted in their writings that Christ was bodily Risen. Amidst the defenses of many contemporary scholars, I believe that Raymond E. Brown's (the well-known Catholic Biblical Scholar) observations have something powerful for us to reflect. He argues, "How did the preaching that Jesus was victorious over death even gain credence if His corpse or skeleton lay in a tomb? Moreover, if the story was fashioned to support the belief, why entrust this discovery to women, and why not to men?" It was because the reports of the women would have less value than the reports of men. At that time, women and even children were considered as the least in the society. That way, according to Raymond Brown, the claims of those who saw Jesus after His resurrection and the reports of the empty tomb cannot be dismissed simply as having no foundation in history. It was Jesus bodily and spiritually who had conquered death and come back to life.

Also, the resurrection for the Jews (possibly in the first century) involved the whole person in a restoration of life; body and soul. Therefore, resurrection means the restoration of a person to bodily life after death. It would be unthinkable for the apostles to proclaim the resurrection while the body was in the tomb. And many accounts of the first followers of Christ testify that they experienced Jesus as alive in a bodily way as the Risen Lord. Although some skeptics interpreted the post-resurrection stories as visions or dreams, it is unlikely that so many different persons could have been deceived. Early followers of Christ courageously proclaimed amidst severe persecution post resurrection stories as proof for the reality of the resurrection of Christ from the dead. May the risen Christ bless you all and may His resurrection be a source of strength to you and your family.

On this Easter, we as a parish community would like to thank you all for your presence in the parish of Infant Saviour and especially for the generous contributions that you give for the upkeep of your parish.

Happy Easter! Fr. Niranjana 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

PALLOTTINE SPRING GATHERING FOR BIBLE STUDY AND SHARING

Text: Genesis 1:11: God Makes a Start

**Dates: Every Tuesday, April 14 thru June 2, 2015 (8 Weeks)
(First Two Weeks: Bible Overview)**

Time: Session will begin promptly at 10:00AM

Please Bring your Bibles!

Place: Queen of the Apostles Center

98 Harriman Heights Road

Monroe, NY

(Lower Conference Room)

**An Offering of \$10 will cover payment for the book. For Further
Information & registration call 845-492-5076.**