

Pastor's updates

October 8, 2021



Things you may want to know this week

1. I won! I won! This might just be a trivial update but a little joy to cherish. I won a **raffle draw** at the **Men's Club** event last Monday at the Hennessy Hall. The package included several pairs of working gloves that I can use for moving chairs and tables, changing the bulbs and especially closing the gate of the main parking lot when it is left unlocked by the end of the day. Hopefully, someday we can replace that barrier chain with a real gate. I did reach out to one company in Burlingame and they are coming next Monday to do an estimate.

2. At our Council of Priests meeting last Thursday at the Chancery Office, **Msgr. Stephen Howell** approached me and handed to me a **beautiful chalice** that obviously belong to St. Robert's. Used some three decades ago, it is in need of a little polishing but surely a priceless treasure.

3. RCIA or Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults started last Wednesday. We have two candidates or at this stage, called "Inquirers": **Haley Staples** (daughter) and **Nigel Staples** (father). According to **Mary Hile-Nepfel**, who is now leading the RCIA sessions, they had a great conversation about "where they have been" which gave the team a good idea of their history with the church and how the Spirit is moving in their lives.

4. Thanks to **Mary Nunnery** and **Una Uniacke** who cleaned out the liturgy room besides the boiler room in the church last Thursday. There were a lot of things to remove and arrange. Thanks also to **Patrick Uniacke**, the ever-faithful and obedient husband of Una, who installed some rods and did some shelving.

5. Our **2nd Annual Tree Lot** is planned for Thanksgiving Weekend. The planning committee has begun ordering trees, working with the community on a special event, and getting the lights ready. All of this will be made possible by the generous monetary donations from businesses within the community. Do you own a company or know of a company that would be interested in sponsoring this event? The profits of our Christmas Tree Lot will go back into our Parish to support the Church and SR School. Additionally, your donation is tax deductible. For more information and a link to sponsor the tree lot, visit <https://sites.google.com/view/srchristmastreelot>

6. Our **Women's Guild** is sponsoring an informal night with fun where you can paint a pumpkin pink to get your Halloween fix and help spread breast cancer awareness. All Women are welcome on **Thursday, October 14 at 6:30PM**. See poster below for detail!

7. Well-known muralist, **Flo de Bretagne**, came by today to check on the wall of the parking lot close to the school where we intend to have mural paintings. Under her guidance and direction, our parish community will be the one painting the murals. She is inviting school parents and just anybody from the parish to volunteer their time; experience and talent not needed. We are painting the wall but also building a community.

FAZnotes
(Father Arnold Zamora)
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Dear parishioners and friends of St. Robert's,

One of the best feelings is waking up and realizing that you can be happy even without the things you think you need..

Problems and hardships will still meet you in the course of the day, but God will give you the spiritual fortitude to ENDURE, SURVIVE & yes even to SMILE..

With God's love, everything comes out perfectly all the time..

There's always something to be grateful for..

Count your blessings!

Fr. Arnold