

Saint Roberts Church



PARISH CELEBRATIONS

Rev. Msgr. Bruce A. Dreier, Pastor
Rev. Paul O'Dell, Parochial Vicar
In Residence Rev. Vincent Ring, Rev. Msgr. Emmanuel
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SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

There is a six month period of preparation for the celebration of this Sacrament. Please contact the rectory to make arrangements.

SACRAMENT OF THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please call the rectory in case of serious illness and before surgery and hospital care.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

High school students call the Religious Education Office. Adult confirmation is available on an individual basis.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

There is a period of preparation for the celebration of this Sacrament. Parents are required to attend a Pre-Baptismal class. Please contact the rectory in advance to make arrangements.

SACRAMENT OF EUCHARIST

Saturdays: Vigil Mass 4:30 pm
Sundays: 7:30 am, 9:30 am, 11:30 am and 5:00 pm
Holy Days: Please consult weekly bulletin.
Weekdays: Masses are on Tuesday and Friday at 6:30 a.m. and Monday-Saturday at 8:30 a.m. Communion Services are held Monday, Wednesday and Thursday at 6:30 a.m. *Our Eucharistic Ministers are available to bring the Eucharist to the sick or homebound. Please contact the Rectory.*

Dear Parishioners,

Happy 6th of July! I hope your Independence Day celebrations allowed you to gather with your families and help support the barbeque industry. I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself to you as I will be embarking on a 50-week tour of duty with all of you here at St. Roberts for my ongoing priestly formation. My name is Hansel Tomaneng and I am a seminarian for our Archdiocese. In order to break the ice, I would like to share how the Lord called me to be one of his fishers of men. I will rely on all of you as St. Robert's people of God to help shape and mold me with the guidance of the Holy Spirit into one of the diocese's home bred priests.

In 1984, two exits north on the 280, my eighth grade counselor asked what I wanted to be when I grew up. In my mind I wanted to be a "Toys-R-Us-Kid" as the television commercials subtly suggested on a frequent basis. However, I responded, "astronaut." I recall watching re-runs of the show, "I Love Jeannie," that featured an astronaut named Major Anthony Nelson. Mr. Cavanaugh, my guidance counselor at Westborough Junior High School,(which is inside the fog belt that stops at Sneath Lane) told me that most astronauts graduated either from the Air Force Academy of the Naval Academy in Annapolis, Maryland. From that moment on, I focused on gaining admission to one of those military academies. Although I graduated as a wildcat from Saint Ignatius, I spent freshman year as a colt at El Camino. It is when I transferred to SI in my sophomore year that I became "wise and learned" as foretold by Jesus in today's Gospel. Consequently, my true calling would be "hidden" until the Holy Spirit gradually unveiled God's divine plan through my resume building process.

Two years later, a movie featuring a former seminarian by the name of Thomas Cruise Mapother IV, portrayed a naval aviator, code name, Maverick, in a movie entitled, "Top Gun." I can only speculate that he dropped the Mapother IV because he did not want to receive star treatment based on his father's name alone. He wanted to earn respect on his own terms. The movie provided the template for my life plan. I would gain admission to Annapolis, enter flight school, become a Top Gun instructor, perhaps a short stint with the Blue Angels, so I would have an excuse to visit my parents during Fleet Week, and then realize my Disney dream of lifting off in a space shuttle from Cape Kennedy as an astronaut. After exploring space the final frontier, I was going to follow the footsteps of the man that adorned the street name of my home in Serramonte, Senator John Glenn, the "gentleman from Ohio," who incidentally was a former astronaut as well. I planned to reunite my SI classmates who were involved in the Young Republicans and Democrats clubs and get elected to the Senate so that I could impress my mother, a retired nurse from Seton, with a life long medical plan that comes with being addressed as "the gentleman from California." However, the Lord had a different plan for me.

Besides becoming an astronaut, I always harbored the thought of becoming a priest. I was taught by volunteer catechists who shared their deep adoration for the Blessed Sacrament. I would get upset when a secular holiday (ie. President's Holiday Sale at JC Penney's) would cancel a class. On Sundays, I anticipated the 10 am mass at St. Augustine because the visiting Jesuit, Fr. William Ryan would be doing the homily. He was a former Chinese prisoner of war whose homilies impressed a nine year old child. Fr. Ryan, SJ would later recommend me to Saint Ignatius and teach me theology in my senior year.

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THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday-July 7th

6:30 Communion Service
Mass Intention 8:30 Charles & Rita Agius †

Tuesday-July 8th

6:30 Andrea Wong †
8:30 Kathleen Sullivan †
Legion of Mary 6:30pm Library

Wednesday-July 9th

6:30 Communion Service
Mass Intention 8:30 Donald Tonegato †
9:30am Choir Pract. 7pm Church

Thursday-July 10th

6:30 Communion Service
Mass Intention 8:30 Jim Olmo †

Friday-July 11th

Mass Intention 6:30 Maxine Peyer †
8:30 Donna Glass †

Saturday-July 12th

Mass Intention 8:30 James J. Murphy †
Mass Intention 4:30 Ignacio Acenas †
AA meeting 10am Mahoney Room

Sunday-July 13th

Mass Intention 7:30 Mocolin & Emilio Families †
9:30 Mary Jo Cronin †
11:30 Glenn Blades †
5pm People of St. Robert's

Due to a medical record of asthma and less than perfect vision, I was denied admission to Annapolis. My dreams of being an astronaut were squashed. I was a little disappointed, but my preparation to earn an appointment to Annapolis helped me gain admission to UCLA.

At 33, I decided to spend my birthday at Fenway Park. On this day, as the Red Sox and Yankees battled for East Coast supremacy, it occurred to me that I did not have to become an astronaut to feel a sense of vocational fulfillment. The Lord had worked through my passion for sports to communicate his invitation to follow in Fr. Ryan's shoes and become one of his worthy servants. Jesus reminds us today," for although you have hidden these things from the wise and the learned, you have revealed them to the little ones." On this day, I became a colt again. A colt is a "little one." I had surrendered my foolish wisdom and academic righteousness.

Thus, after four years of seminary at St. Patrick's seminary in Menlo Park, I find myself here at St. Roberts seeking your help to make Christ present in all aspects of our lives. As a mixed breed of colt, wildcat, and a little Golden bear (a Bruin,) I hope to unveil the hidden king and savior that is eternally in our midst..."See, your king shall come to you, a just savior is he, meek, and riding on an ass, a colt, the foal of an ass...the warrior's bow shall be banished and he shall proclaim peace to all nations."(Zec 9:9-10) Thank you for welcoming me to mustang nation.

May the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ come to all nations,

Hansel Tomaneng
Seminarian



As a Parish Community we pray ... For our nation, may the holy spirit teach us to defend the weak and protect the unborn, as well as those who are terminally ill.

*Share your fond recollections
and magic moments*



with Mary Shick to be collected in a special Memory book for her family. All stories are welcome, pictures too. Contact Cyd Sinks at cydney@sanbrunocable.com.

AIDS LUNCH-July 9th-We are

scheduled for the 2nd Wednesday of each month. If you can prepare a favorite cookie, snack or lunch item for 10 to 12 people, please drop it off at the Children's Chapel, in the back of Church, by 9 a.m. on **July 9th**. Please pack the items in a non-returnable container. Frozen items *are ok!*



**WE CONGRATULATE
THE NEWLY BAPTIZED**

Terence Philpott

We continue to ask each week that parishioners pray for the chronically ill of our parish. If you have a friend or loved one in need of our parish prayers please call the Rectory at 589-2800.



This week we pray for
Helene Stockinger and Aldo Alchera



LOOKING FOR A MASS

While you are away during the Summer check www.masstimes.org for Mass schedule in other cities.

Bulletin Deadline

The deadline for submission of weekly bulletin announcements is **Tuesday at noon**. Please submit announcements in writing to Kathy or Judy in the Rectory Office, fax us at 588-9628 or email

STEWARDSHIP

July 1st to June 29th (goal)	522,600.00
July 1st to June 29th (actual)	527,974.97
7/1/07-6/30/08 Weekly Goal Collection (actual 6/29)	10,050.00 8,351.89

Thank you for your generous donation of **\$ 3,784.30** our St. Vincent de Paul Society.

ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

As of 6/17/08 **295 Families** have pledged **\$71,455.10**.

Our goal this year is \$95,100.00

Thank you for your generous donation.

**WEEKDAY MASS CHANGES
FIRST OF SEPTEMBER**

Daily Mass at 8:30 am
Monday through Saturday.
Additional Mass at 6:30 am on
Monday, Wednesday and Friday.
Communion Service on
Tuesday and Thursday at 6:30 am.

Sign up for E-Contributions

Go to www.saintroberts.org and click on the e-contributions button.

There is no cost to you for this service.

MINISTER SCHEDULE/July 12 & 13

Saturday/4:30 P.M. Mass

Presider: Msgr. Nnanna/Deacon Meyer
Eucharistic Ministers: R. Hanley (C),
C. Holland, J. Scannell, R. Aveson, J. Waldvogel,
Y. Olcomendy, M. Elmore, J. Beltrano, J. Quinn
Lectors: P. Scannell and J. Cronin
Altar Servers: M. Foglesong and N. Barbieri

Sunday/7:30 A.M. Mass

Presider: Fr. O'Dell
Eucharistic Ministers: A. Buelow (C),
M. Nunnery, J. Jackson, E. Ruggiero, R. Vassalo
Lectors: J. Moresco
Altar Servers: A. Cotroneo and M. Kelly

Sunday/9:30 A.M. Mass

Presider: Fr. Ring
Eucharistic Ministers: A. Romine (C),
G. Tolentino, L. Canaya, M. Quilici, M. Bologna, S. Murray,
T. Jones, G. Sinks, M. Bourne
Lectors: J. Valdez and T. Tullius
Altar Servers: M. Godfrey, G. Giuseponi and J. Nazzai
Children's Liturgy: MaryAnn and Darlene

Sunday/11:30 A.M. Mass

Presider: Fr. O'Dell
Eucharistic Ministers: B. Chester (C),
R. Benavente, P. Fernandez, M. Fernandez, H. Mantler,
E. Sanchez, F. Firpo, C. Morgan, N. Bamba, J. Abellana
Lectors: T. Tannis and G. May
Altar Servers: G. Villanueva and C. McCann

Sunday/5:00 P.M. Mass

Presider: Msgr. Nnanna/Deacon Meyer
Eucharistic Ministers: R. Atkinson (C),
J. Huddleston, D. Ferris, B. Shader, T. Thompson,
M. Aberouette, M. Huntington, P. Linehan, C. Browne
Lectors: L. Avila
Altar Servers: C. Buencamino and R. Cuddy

WEEKLY READINGS

Monday-July 7th

Readings: Hos 2:16-18,21-22 Mt 9:18-26

Tuesday-July 8th

Readings: Hos 8:4-7,11-13 Mt 9:32-38

Wednesday-July 9th

Readings: Hos 10:1-3,7-8,12 Mt 10:1-7

Thursday-July 10th

Readings: Hos 11:1,3-4,8-9 Mt 10:7-15

Friday-July 11th

Readings: Hos 14:2-10 Mt 10:16-23

Saturday-July 12th

Readings: Is 6:1-8 Mt 10:24-33

Sunday-July 13th

Readings: Is 55:10-11 Rom 8:18-23 Mt 13:1-23

Living the Liturgy

I'm just back from 8 days with my sister and niece in the Yellowstone and Grand Teton parks. Besides being waited on by young people and seniors from all over the country and all over the world, the natural beauty of the parks was amazing. After a long, cold winter, the tops of the peaks in both parks were still covered in snow and the lakes, rivers and streams were running full. Everything was a lush green; bison and elk happily grazing and not minding having their photos taken. We headed out to the Lamar Valley after dinner one evening with the hope of seeing wolves in their usual haunt, but they didn't show up. We finally saw a young adult moose with velvet antlers very near the road on our last day in the Tetons. If you've been to Yellowstone, you know the great variety of natural occurrences there: Old Faithful with geysers of different shapes and colors; mud pots and fumaroles at Mammoth Lake; and the Upper and Lower Falls of Yellowstone Lake in its spectacular canyon. How amazed the native people must have been 11,000 years ago when they happened upon these places! What joy God must have experienced watching the million-year unfolding of such beauty!

My favorite place was the shore of Lake Yellowstone in front of the renovated 1898 Union Pacific Lake Hotel with the stunning Absaroka Mountains in the background. (One of the sisters I live with is somewhat of a scripture scholar and says that the Greek word for "mystery" literally means "shut your mouth," in other words, be speechless. I surely was touched by God's majesty.) Several people driving by, including some Harley riders, were stopped by the sheer grandeur in front of them. I'm so grateful that with all the wonders of our technology, we can still be overwhelmed by the wonders of God's creation!

On the plane, I began to read a book you may have heard of, Three Cups of Tea by Greg Mortenson. The title refers to the Pakistani custom of tea drinking: with the first cup, you are a stranger; with the second, you are a guest; with the third, you are a member of the family. It is a most amazing true story of a mountain climber who decides to build a school for an isolated, dirt poor Pakistani community whose members saved his life. There is much wisdom here for us whose true priorities may get confused in our constantly hurried lives.

I'm away for retreat this week, but will see you, God willing, next Sunday. If you can, take some time even in your backyard or in a park to notice God's gift of beauty in nature. Have the children or grandchildren be still with you for just a few moments as you listen together to the miracle of your heartbeats or really look at the stars. Have a peaceful, refreshing week. S. Sheral



Want to Help at Catholic Worker Saturday July 12th?

A group of us will be doing major cleaning at the Catholic Worker Saturday July 12 from 10 am to 3 pm and painting (hopefully) July 19 during the same hours. If you can help us even for an hour or two, we'd be grateful. If anyone would like to help by bringing us lunch either day, we'd appreciate that as well. For more information, please contact Hilda Barradas at 650-755-1822 or mbarradas@gmail.com.



INBETWEENERS AND THE SAN JOSE GIANTS

Join the fun with the Inbetweeners and the San Jose Giants Saturday July 19th. Game begins at 6pm carpool will leave St. Robert's at 4pm. Cost is \$21 per person which includes the game and BBQ dinner. If interested please contact Gerry Huddleston 583-0963.



Angela #90 YLI "NEXT TO NOTHING SALE" Saturday, July 26th from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at St. Bruno's Hall

TRANSFORMING GRIEF is a day of spiritual retreat for those grieving the death of a loved one. It is being offered by Barbara Elordi, Ministry of Consolation Coordinator for the Archdiocese, on Saturday, July 26th at St. Gabriel's from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Contact Barbara to register: (415) 614-5506 or ElordiB@sfarchdiocese.org.

Marriage is a journey!! A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend can help you enrich your marriage and add some pizzazz to your journey. Whether you've been married 1 year or 50, a Marriage Encounter Weekend may be just the thing you need to put a breath of fresh air into your relationship. Call Paul and Yvonne at (650) 366-7093. Next Weekend is November 7-9 in San Mateo.



**Here's the
2008 Centerplate Schedule**

Day	Date	Opponent	Leave SR	Game Time
_____ Thursday	July 24 th	Washington	8:45 a.m.	12:45 p.m.
_____ Friday	July 25 th	Arizona	3:00 p.m.	7:15 p.m.
_____ Saturday	July 26 th	Arizona	2:00 p.m.	6:05 p.m.
_____ Wed	August 6 th	Atlanta	8:45 a.m.	12:45 p.m.
_____ Friday	August 8 th	Dodgers	3:00 p.m.	7:15 p.m.
_____ Saturday	August 9 th	Dodgers	2:00 p.m.	6:05 p.m.
_____ Saturday	August 16 th	49ers vs Packers	1:30 p.m.	6:00 p.m.
_____ Wed	August 20 th	Florida	3:00 p.m.	7:15 p.m.
_____ Thursday	August 21 st	Florida	8:45 a.m.	12:45 p.m.
_____ Friday	August 29 th	49ers vs Chargers	2:30 p.m.	7:00 p.m.
_____ Sunday	Sept 7 th	49ers vs Arizona	7:15 a.m.	1:15 p.m.
_____ Tuesday	Sept 9 th	Arizona	3:00 p.m.	7:15 p.m.
_____ Wed	Sept 10 th	Arizona	8:45 a.m.	12:45 p.m.
_____ Friday	Sept 26 th	Dodgers	3:00 p.m.	7:15 p.m.
_____ Saturday	Sept 27 th	Dodgers	2:00 p.m.	6:05 p.m.
_____ Sunday	October 5 th	49ers vs Patriots	8:15 a.m.	1:15 p.m.
_____ Sunday	October 12 th	49ers vs Eagles	8:15 a.m.	1:15 p.m.
_____ Sunday	October 26 th	49ers vs Seattle	8:15 a.m.	1:15 p.m.
_____ Sunday	November 16 th	49ers vs Rams	8:15 a.m.	1:05 p.m.
_____ Sunday	December 7 th	49ers vs Jets	8:15 a.m.	1:05 p.m.
_____ Sunday	December 28 th	49ers vs Redskins	8:15 a.m.	1:15 p.m.

Dress Code: Full length Black Slacks (no jeans, capris, spandex), white shirt with collar, closed toe shoes (black or white).

Name: _____ **Home Phone:** _____

Cell Phone: _____ **Email:** _____

Sign up on-line at www.saintroberts.org. Click on the Centerplate button.

**As of June 30th,
we have received \$22,392.87
This amount includes commission and tips.
Thanks to the many people
who have volunteered.**