

Saint Robert's Church



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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. Please contact the rectory to make arrangements.

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.

SACRAMENT OF EUCHARIST

Vigil Mass 4:30 pm (Saturday)

Sundays: 7:30 am, 9:30 am, 11:30 am and 5:00 pm

Holy Days: Please consult weekly bulletin.

Weekdays: Masses are on Monday, Tuesday and Friday at 6:30 a.m. and Monday through Saturday at 8:30 a.m. *Communion Services* are held Wednesday and Thursday at 6:30 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Saturday: 3:30 pm to 4:15 pm or call 589-2800 to make an appointment.

**Schedules for Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors
& Altar Servers are also available on the
web at www.saintroberts.org.**

Dear Parishioners,

Lent is filled with many activities for our RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) elect and candidates. As they prepare to receive their Easter Sacraments, we ask them to use the season of Lent as a retreat. It is hoped that they will become more aware of how much God loves them and is a part of their lives. We would like to invite you to join us in this retreat with the hope that we will learn from your example and you might learn from our actions and reactions.

For most of us Lent is a new experience. Thus we look at each experience as something very new and different. We generally do not take Lenten services and prayers for granted, as we have never experienced them before. This weekend at 11:30 Mass we will be sent forth from St. Robert's to meet the Archbishop. He will greet us with the Rite of Election, a special prayer service at 3pm at the Cathedral.

On the third, fourth and fifth Sundays, we will celebrate Scrutinies at different Masses. Scrutinies are a spiritual exercise meant to help the person uncover, then heal all that is weak, defective, or sinful in their hearts, to bring out, then strengthen all that is upright, strong and good.

We will lead one of the Friday Stations of the Cross and we will participate in a special way at Holy Thursday and Easter Vigil services. It is hoped that these events and rites will help them complete their conversion and deepen their resolve to hold fast to Christ and to carry out their decision to love God above all.

Please join us at our special celebrations and please keep us in your prayers; you are definitely in ours.

-- *Deacon Rusty Duffey*

THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday-March 2nd

Mass Intention	6:30	Tom & MaryAnn Begley †
	8:30	Richard Buckley †
Men's Club Mtg	6:30pm	Hall
Passion Play Reh	7pm	Church

Tuesday-March 3rd

Mass Intention	6:30	Mary Murphy †
	8:30	Giath Klingensmith †
Religious Ed/Gr1-5	3:30pm	Church & Hall
Confirmation Yr 1	6pm	Mahoney Rm & Hall
Legion of Mary	6:30pm	Library

Wednesday-March 4th

Mass Intention	6:30	Communion Service
	8:30	Fr. Nick Farana †
Grief Support Cmt	9am	Church
Choir Practice	7pm	Church
Scripture Study	7:30pm	Convent Chapel

Thursday-March 5th

Mass Intention	6:30	Communion Service
	8:30	Ivan Gregov †
Children's Choir	3pm	Church
Women's Guild Mtg	6:30pm	Hall
RCIA	7pm	Convent Chapel
Rel Ed	7pm	Church

Friday-March 6th

Mass Intention	6:30	Gene May
	8:30	Elias Ballarena †
Stations of the Cross	6pm	Church
Lenten Soup Supper	6:30pm	Hall

Saturday-March 7th

Mass Intention	8:30	Katherine O'Malley †
	4:30	Jim Halpin †
AA Meeting	10am	Mahoney Room
Women's Guild		
Dinner Dance	6pm	Offsite

Sunday-March 8th

Mass Intention	7:30	James J. Murphy †
	9:30	People of St. Robert's
	11:30	Enea Bruno †
	5pm	Natalie Beal †
Passion Play Reh	7pm	Church

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.





As a Parish Community we pray ... for members of our parish family preparing to receive the Sacraments of Initiation. May they experience the love of Christ and of our faith community as we walk together on our Lenten Journey.

**WE CONGRATULATE
THE NEWLY BAPTIZED**

Cristiano Renato Torres
Santiago Renato Torres



**STATIONS OF THE CROSS
AND SOUP SUPPERS**

All are invited to our Church for Stations at 6 pm each Friday during Lent. After this time of reflection and prayer, we will go to Hennessy Hall to share a sacrificial meal of soup, salad, bread and fruit. We ask that you give what you would have spent on your Friday dinner to our St. Vincent de Paul Society, who will use it to provide food for our sisters and brothers in need. There will be a basket for your donation on the serving table. This is an opportunity for us to pray together and to get to know one another.



On Friday, March 6th,
*Seminarian Hansell will lead the Stations.
The Fil Am Group and the Legion of Mary
will host the supper.*



Our sincere sympathy to the family of
Margaret DeHart
who died recently.



AIDS LUNCH -March 11th



The second Wednesday of the month is our donation day. This month it is Wednesday, February 11th. If you can help by providing your favorite dish for up to 12 people that would be great. Please put in a non-returnable container and leave in the little church room in the vestibule of the Church by 9:30am. Frozen items are acceptable. Thank you for your continued assistance.

TRANSFORMING GRIEF is a day of spiritual retreat for those who are grieving the death of a loved one being offered by Barbara Elordi, Ministry of Consolation Coordinator for the Archdiocese on **Sat. March 7th** at St. Gabriels' from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Please call Barbara to register at (415) 614-5506

Consolation Ministry - Saint Robert's Grief Support Group will hold their next meeting on **March 14th** in the Convent Chapel from 3 to 4:15 p.m. (before the 4:30 p.m. Mass). Anyone who is suffering from the loss, whether (recent or not so recent) of a loved one—spouse, sibling, child, parent, friend or relative is invited to come and pray, share, comfort and be comforted. You are invited to bring a companion for support and strength. God Bless you in your sorrow.

STEWARDSHIP

**MARCH 8TH
2nd COLLECTION
CATHOLIC CHARITIES.**
When you received your envelopes in the mail, the envelope for March 8th, that reads "My Offering" should have been designated for the Catholic Charities 2nd collection.

July 1st to Feb. 22nd (goal)	341,700.00
July 1st to Feb. 22nd (actual)	340,526.90
7/1/08-6/30/09 Weekly Goal Collection (actual 2/22)	10,050.00 8,894.03

2009 ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL
As of 2/24/09 **93 families** have pledged **\$29,385.**
Our goal this year is \$98,400
Thank you for your generous donation.

MINISTER SCHEDULE/March 7 & 8

Saturday/4:30 P.M. Mass

Presider: Msgr. Dreier/Hansel

Eucharistic Ministers: D. Bisagno (C)

J. Beltrano, D. Hageman, R. Hanley, M. Murphy,
C. Holland, R. Aveson, B. Moniz, J. Waldvogel

Lectors: J. Cronin and R. Rudometkin

Altar Servers: L. Balestieri and M. Fogelsong

Sunday/7:30 A.M. Mass

Presider: Fr. Ring

Eucharistic Ministers: R. Vassallo (C)

E. Ruggiero, M. Nunnery, J. Jackson, R. Jardin

Lectors: T. Clifford and A. Clifford

Altar Servers: E. Johnston and L. Clifford

Sunday/9:30 A.M. Mass

Presider: Msgr. Dreier/Hansel

Eucharistic Ministers: G. Tolentino (C)

J. Kelly, M. Lopez, M. Zamattia, M. Bourne,
M. Quilici, A. Romine, L. Canaya, C. Zollezi

Lectors: J. Aldinger and F. Abellana

Altar Servers: L. O'Reilly, B. Simpson, and A. Gaines

Children's Liturgy: Esperanza & Nubia and Gus

Sunday/11:30 A.M. Mass

Presider: Fr. O'Dell

Eucharistic Ministers: B. Chester (C)

V. Valle, N. Bamba, J. Yee, M. Giusti, G. May,
H. Madayag, E. Sanchez, L. Juvero

Lectors: T. Tannis and M. Cadiz

Altar Servers: A. Dharmati and M. Thompson

Sunday/5:00 P.M. Mass

Presider: Fr. O'Dell

Eucharistic Ministers: D. Ferris (C)

G. Lynch, P. Landholt, G. Landholt, M. Elmore,
V. Hawkins, J. Huddleston, P. Linehan, M. Salvato

Lectors: J. Bartolotti and N. Buencamino

Altar Servers: E. Estelita and E. Wright

WEEKLY READINGS

Monday-March 2nd

Readings: Lv 19:1-2,11-18 Mt 25:31-46

Tuesday-March 3rd

Readings: Is 55:10-11 Mt 6:7-15

Wednesday-March 4th

Readings: Jon 3:1-10 Lk 11:29-32

Thursday-March 5th

Readings: Est C:12,14-16,23-25 Mt 7:7-12

Friday-March 6th

Readings: Ez 18:21-28 Mt 5:20-26

Saturday-March 7th

Readings: Dt 26:16-19 Mt 5:43-48

Sunday-March 8th

Readings: Gn 22:1-2,9a,10-13,15-18 Rom 8:31b-34 Mk 9:2-10

DINNER DANCE

Next Weekend

**St. Robert's Womens Guild
Proudly Presents.....**

**“All Around The World”
Dinner Dance/Auction**

NEXT Saturday, March 7th.

5pm-Midnight

at the South San Francisco Conference Center.

For further information AND TICKETS

contact Dinner Dance chairs: Jennifer Dias (650) 359-2808
or Lisa Kreysa (650) 737-0211.



SPECIAL

“Giants” DINNER DANCE RAFFLE

You can WIN the use of a

Luxury Suite at AT&T Park for 12 People

May 11th, 2009

San Francisco Giants vs. Washington Nationals

12 tickets for the suite, which afford the ticket holder access to all the areas of the ballpark, including the AAA club and field club levels where there are full bar facilities

2 guests passes (require the successful winner to acquire two tickets to attach which will allow the holder to be admitted to the Luxury Suite floor same as the suite tickets).

2 Luxury Suite Lot A parking passes (the closest to the ballpark).

A \$500 catering credit through Bon Appetite Catering, the official Giants caterer.

In addition to the Luxury Suite, AT&T Park offers many amenities, which can be enjoyed by the successful winner for this package.

Only 100 tickets will be sold!

The cost of each ticket is \$50!

Prize valued at \$4000!

For your tickets CONTACT:

Jennifer Dias at 650-359-2808 or jennifer.dias@varian.com
Lisa Kreysa at 650-737-0211 or kreysa6@yahoo.com

Living the Liturgy

Change Our Hearts

One of the songs we sang on Ash Wednesday and will sing again during Lent includes this line: "This time, change our hearts." It reminds me that no matter how many times we've experienced Lent, it is always new because we are different. The second reading also encourages us, "Now is a very acceptable time; now is the day of salvation." So, let's try to see this Lent as distinct from any others! So what are you doing for Lent? If we haven't determined it yet, there is still time. What practice will help me to grow in my relationship with God? What will help me grow in my relationship with my family, my co-workers? What will help me grow in my relationship with myself, getting in touch with my values, my dreams, my irritating habits? Giving up sweets doesn't quite suffice for us adults! My responses to any of these questions should help me to make room for God's Spirit to change me. They will lead me to a present-day living of prayer, almsgiving (in terms of my presence, in addition to my finances) and fasting (from my idiosyncrasies which bother others).

PlayPumps

Thank you for your enthusiastic response to our Lenten sacrificial giving effort! The five minute DVD didn't answer all your questions, so here are some more details. Each PlayPump water system costs \$14,000 which pays for finding and testing the water, transporting the materials from South Africa and installing the system. A hydrologist comes to the village first to try to locate uncontaminated water up to 125 feet underground. Then a bore hole is made for the pump. Local people put in the pipes, the storage tank and the merry-go-round which actually pumps the water up into the storage tank. (Think of the old-fashioned water wheel turned on its side.) The tank holds 660 gallons; the pump can produce up to 370 gallons per hour of play. Then the women or girls (the African cultures have strict gender-based roles) can come to the tank any time to get the water from a simple tap. This saves them a 6 mile walk and lets them go to school! And the risk of children dying from water-borne diseases is cut in half when clean water is available. Initial donations of \$1500 were deposited this week. Please put your donation in the "Special Offering" envelopes any time during Lent and place it in the regular collection. Thank you.

Your Help Needed

If you have a pyx you are no longer using, please return it to Sr. Patricia or myself. If you need a Music Issue or Today's Missal, please ask me for one; you may have noticed that several of them have grown legs and left the pews! Thank you. Peace, S. Sheral



GO GREEN!
Men's Club Meeting
March 2nd
Doors open at 6pm
\$ 20.00 for dinner and raffle
Come join us for Russ's FAMOUS
Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner
and cast your vote for
the Tony Modica Award
This is the ONE Men's Club Meeting
you do NOT want to miss!!!!
For information or RSVP, contact Tim Fuller:
(650) 280-9800 tim.fuller@rgcreations.com

RCIA CATECHUMENS AND CANDIDATES MEET ARCHBISHOP NIEDERAUER AT RITE OF ELECTION

Today at 3pm in St. Mary's Cathedral, the following catechumens and candidates will represent St. Robert's as they participate with Archbishop Niederauer in the Rite of Election.

Our catechumens, those seeking Baptism at Easter, are: Serena Castellanos, Michelle Lindstrom, Jamie Lopez, Tim Fuller, Heather Houston, Parinda Kleinberg and Michael Hoisington.

Our candidates, those already Baptized who are seeking Profession of Faith, First Communion and/or Confirmation are: Jim Puchbauer, Barbara Marucco, Linda DeFoe, Seanna Nordman and Beverly Green.

This is a beautiful celebration. Please join us if you are able and please keep our catechumens and candidates in your Lenten prayers.