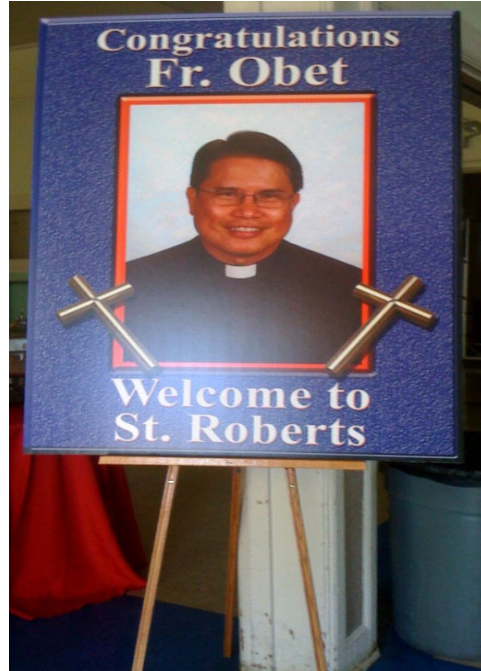


Saint Robert's Church



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Dear Friends:

Each year I try to make some time for personal reflection on how I'm living my life. Time to remember that *all things happen for a reason*, and most importantly, that *things happen in GOD'S TIME – not mine*. (I really need to work on that.) Allowing time to reflect on our life and our actions, gives us an opportunity to see if we have truly made an effort to live as Jesus did.

During Lent, certain readings spark a fire in my heart. Today's Gospel is one of those readings. I try to imagine the scene and place myself in it. I am part of a judgmental crowd, I see a woman scorned and embarrassed, members of the crowd are dragging her to be judged, and Jesus in his calm mannerisms addresses the crowd's questions:



Jesus bent down and began to write on the ground with his finger. But when they continued asking him, Jesus straightened up and said to them, "Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her." Again he bent down and wrote on the ground.

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My favorite retreat experience had us reflect on this reading. We were asked to consider – **WHAT WAS JESUS WRITING IN THE SAND?** Perhaps he had written all the wrongs of the bystanders, each walking away as they noticed their transgression. Perhaps he wrote words like Kindness, Compassion, Forgiveness – reminding the bystanders to see with different eyes. *What do you think Jesus wrote?* If we were among the bystanders – what would Jesus write that spoke to us? How often do we judge others without looking at our own lives?

- Here's my challenge for you this week –
- Make a conscious effort to AVOID gossip.
- Encourage someone who the crowd is scorning.
- Share a kind word or smile with a stranger.

Remember the compassion Jesus showed the woman with just a few simple words --
"Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you? Neither do I condemn you. Go, and from now on do not sin any more."

**God Bless each of you – Joanne Bartolotti
 HANDS ON and HEARTS IN!**

**Reconciliation Service
 TOMORROW
 March 22nd at 7:30 p.m.
 at St. Roberts Church**

THE WEEK AHEAD



Monday-March 22nd

Mass Intention 6:30 Doris Attard †
 8:30 Gene May †
Children's Liturgy 4:00pm Church
Reconciliation Svc 7:00pm Church
Passion Play Reh 7:00pm Hall

Tuesday-March 23rd

Mass Intention 6:30 Antonio Azarcon
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 8:30 Gene May †
Adult Rel Ed 9:15am Mary's Chapel
7th Gr Reconciliation 2:00pm Church
Religious Education 3:30pm Church & Hall
Legion of Mary 6:30pm Library
Rel Ed/Jr. High 7:00pm Hall

Wednesday-March 24th

6:30 Communion Service
 Mass Intention 8:30 Kevin McKenna †
Children's Liturgy 4:00pm Church
1st Communion
Parent's Mtg 6:30pm Church

Thursday-March 25th

6:30 Communion Service
 Mass Intention 8:30 Gene May †
RCIA 7:00pm Convent Chapel
Kids Stock/Jr. High 7:00pm Hall

Friday-March 26th

Mass Intention 6:30 Joe Pezulich †
 8:30 John McIntyre †
8th Gr Reconciliation 10:30am Church
Children's Liturgy 4:00pm Church
Stations of the Cross 6:00pm Church
Soup Supper 6:30pm Hall
Passion Play Reh. 6:45pm Church

Saturday-March 27th

Mass Intention 8:30 Oscar Siguenza †
 4:30 Bobby Owen †
AA 10:00am Mahoney Room
Consolation Min. 3:00pm Convent Chapel

Sunday-March 28th

Mass Intention 7:30 Lucy Cucinotta †
 9:30 People of St. Robert's
 11:30 Tony Caramella †
 5:00 Shirlee Ann Swadley †
Passion Play Reh 7:00pm Church



**AS A PARISH COMMUNITY,
WE PRAY,**

THAT OUR SISTERS AND
BROTHERS PREPARING FOR NEW
LIFE IN THE EASTER SACRAMENTS
WILL BE DRAWN
CLOSER TO JESUS.
MAY THEY EXPERIENCE
HIS PRESENCE WITHIN
OUR FAITH COMMUNITY.



**WE CONGRATULATE
THE NEWLY BAPTIZED**

Adrian James Gomez,
Hailie Anna Magdamo

Dominic James Miller-DeCosta

Maya Olivia Soto and Alyssa Rose Vega



Our sincere sympathy to the families of
Gus Franzella & Kenneth Judnick
who died recently.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS
AND SOUP SUPPERS:**

The three important Lenten practices are: PRAYER – FASTING – ALMSGIVING. Please come to our Church for Stations at 6PM each Friday during Lent. Following this time of reflection and prayer, we will go to Hennessy Hall to share a 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. They will use it to provide food to our sisters and brothers in need. A basket for your donation will be found on the serving table. This is a wonderful chance to pray together and get to know one another.

**On Friday, March 26th,
Legion of Mary and Fil/Am groups will
lead the Stations
and also host the soup supper.**

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

CHANGE BUILDS A CHURCH

As a parish we will be helping Fr. Nnanna build a church in Nigeria. The children will be bringing home an envelope they can fill with change during the week and return it each Sunday to Little and Middle Church as their offering during Lent.

UNDERWEAR AND SOCKS- Men's Only

We are also going to help Catholic Worker House again this year with an underwear and socks drive. Please deposit the items in the basket in front of Little church. They are in desperate need.

**ANNUAL PALM SUNDAY PRESENTATION
MARCH 28TH**

Is your child an actor at heart? We need children five years of age and older to take part in the Palm Sunday presentation of the Gospel on March 28th at the 9:30 a.m. Mass. **Rehearsals** will take place at church from 4-5 p.m.:

**Monday March 22nd,
Wednesday, March 24th and
Friday March 26th.**

Children can sign up on Sunday, March 21st after the 9:30 a.m. Mass in Little Church or call Mary Ann Saisi at 589-2000 or email masaisi@att.net.

**GOOD FRIDAY CHILDREN'S PROGRAM
APRIL 2ND**

We invite the children of our parish and their friends to join us in Hennessy Hall on Good Friday, April 2nd from 1:30 p.m.-3 pm.

While the parent attends church services the children will have the opportunity to act out the stations of the cross and to partake in many Lenten and Easter projects.

Pre-registration would be helpful to insure that we have sufficient material for each child. You can call MaryAnn Saisi at 589-2000 or email at masaisi@att.net. Please leave your child's name, age and contact number. We ask that you pick up your child after church services. Last minute registration will be accepted at the door.

WEEKLY COLLECTION

July 1st to March 14th (goal)	371,850.00
July 1st to March 14th (actual)	357,148.53
7/1/09-6/30/10 Weekly Goal Collection (actual 03/14)	10,050.00 9,129.55

2010 ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

As of 3/16/10 over **200 families** have pledged

\$38,780.80

Our goal this year is \$96,000

MINISTER SCHEDULE/March 27 & 28

Saturday/4:30 P.M. Mass

Presider: Fr. Obet

Eucharistic Ministers: R. Aveson (C), A. Ciraulo,
J. Beltrano, J. Waldvogel, K. Martinez, D. Hageman, R. Hanley

Lectors: C. Aveson and J. Cronin

Altar Servers: R. Nazzal and D. Rodriguez

Sunday/7:30 A.M. Mass

Presider: Fr. Ring

Eucharistic Ministers: R. Vassallo (C), Mary Nunnery,
C. Noce, M. Noce, A. Buelow, A Doherty, R. Lahoz.

Lectors: P. Lustic and R. Rolfes

Altar Servers: L. Clifford and S. Jensen

Sunday/9:30 A.M. Mass

Presider: Fr. Obet

Eucharistic Ministers: G. Sinks (C), M. Salazar, S. Salazar,
M. Quilici, J. Kelly, H. Mar, M. Zamattia

Lectors: J. Shick and J. Valdez

Altar Servers: N. Barbieri, A. Bolivar and A. Davis

Children's Liturgy: Palm Sunday

Sunday/11:30 A.M. Mass

Presider: Fr. Paul

Eucharistic Ministers: R. Benavente (C), D. Murphy,
H. Mantler, E. Sanchez, N. Bamba, C. Forsell, M. Giusti

Lectors: H. Beck and H. Valle

Altar Servers: A. Ayllon and J. Fontenot

Sunday/5:00 P.M. Mass

Presider: Fr. Paul

Eucharistic Ministers: D. Ferris (C), Deacon John,
G. Landholt, P. Landholt, C. Innes, B. Pace, E. Shick,

Lector: M. Estelita and L. Misculin

Altar Servers: J. Marty and E. Wright

WEEKLY READINGS

Monday-March 22nd

Readings: Dn 13:1-9,15-17,19-30,33-62 Jn 8:12-20

Tuesday-March 23rd

Readings: Nm 21:4-9 Jn 8:21-30

Wednesday-March 24th

Readings: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95 Jn 8:31-42

Thursday-March 25th

Readings: Is 7:10-14; 8:10 Heb 10:4-10

Friday-March 26th

Readings: Jer 20:10-13 Jn 10:31-42

Saturday-March 27th

Readings: Ez 37:21-28 Jn 11:45-56

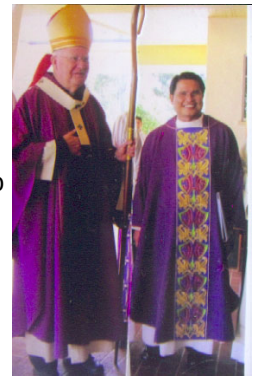
Sunday-March 28th

Readings: Lk 19:28-40 Is 50:4-7 Phil 2:6-11



A NOTE FROM FATHER OBET

It is not the Easter season yet, but we could have been singing, *"This is the day that the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad,"* on the day my installation as pastor last Sunday. It was a joyful and meaningful celebration and I am very grateful to all who have made this event a success. I thank Archbishop Niederauer and my fellow clergy for all their support for me. Our liturgical celebration was uplifting and so kudos to Sr. Sheral and to our Liturgical Ministers, Altar Servers and Choir. And once again we have proven that our parish knows how to party and celebrate.



The reception in the hall was a class of its own. Our visitors and guests were pleasantly surprised and satisfied as there was a lot of delicious food for everyone. I am very grateful to George Lynch and his crew along with our parish organizations: the In-Betweeners, the Grownups, the Women's Guild, the Men's Club, the Fil-Am Group, the Legion of Mary and our Youth Group, for their generosity and hard work to make sure that everyone had a great time at the reception. An event like this is something that I will always treasure for the rest of my life. Thank you very much. Maraming Salamat Po. Muchas Gracias, and may God bless St. Robert's Church always.

Father Obet

Good Friday Services

Our Good Friday reflection from 12 noon to 1:30 pm will be offered by Sr. Louise O'Reilly, SND. She is presently part of the Province Leadership Team for the Sisters of Notre Dame and has previously ministered as teacher, principal, and pastoral associate. She will focus us on the meaning of the Cross in our lives. The Liturgy of Good Friday which includes reading the Passion, veneration of the Cross and Holy Communion will take place at 1:30 pm



St. Robert's Respect Life Group

St. Robert's Respect Life group invites you to participate in the 40 Days for Life Vigil (Ash Wednesday to March 28), praying the rosary in front of Planned Parenthood, 2211 Palm Ave., San Mateo. St. Robert's day is Sunday, March 28 from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Several of the Catholic Churches in the area have already signed up for a day. Please phone Mary Nunnery at 455-7685.

AND

Our Respect Life Group
**will be meeting on
Wednesday, March 24th at
7:00 p.m. in Mary's Chapel.**
For further information,
phone Mary Nunnery 455-7685



WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS
Kenneth & Tessa O'Dowd & Family
Judith Brooks

Russ & Casey Robinson & Family
IF YOU ARE NEW TO ST.ROBERT'S,

Fill out a registration form and drop it either in the collection basket, the mail, or at the parish office. We will send you a New Parishioner Packet with information about the parish, its organizations and groups. If you chose, you can register online at: www.saintroberts.org.

Youth Ministry Mass March 28th at 5 p.m.

All the youth of the parish are invited to participate in this special event. For further Information contact Deacon John (650) 703-1667.
See you there for singing and worshipping!!!!



Special on EWTN Live from Rome

Holy Week and Easter Masses celebrated with Pope Benedict and, also at the Basilica of the National Shrine in Washington, D.C. See with vestibule of the Church for the TV listings and program guides or at www.ewtn.com.





Centerplate 2010



April Games

14th Pittsburgh leave 8:15am
23rd St. Louis leave 2:45pm
24th St. Louis TBD
28th Philadelphia leave 8:30am

May games

13th San Diego leave 8:15am
15th Houston TBD
16th Houston leave 8:30am
27th Washington leave 8:15am
31st Colorado leave 8:15am

June Games

11th Oakland leave 2:45pm
12th Oakland TBD
16th Baltimore leave 8:30am
25th Boston leave 2:45pm
26th Boston TBD
27th Boston leave 8:30am
28th Dodgers leave 2:45pm
29th Dodgers leave 2:45pm
30th Dodgers leave 8:30am

July Games

15th NY Mets leave 2:45pm
16th NY Mets leave 2:45pm
17th NY Mets TBD
28th Florida leave 11:00am
29th Florida leave 8:30am
30th Dodgers leave 2:45pm
31st Dodgers TBD

August Games

10th Chicago leave 2:45pm
12th Chicago leave 8:30am
25th Cincinnati TBD

September Games

30th Chicago leave 8:30am

We leave from the Rectory at the above posted leave times. For those working in San Francisco, you can meet the group at the gate.

Dress code:

White shirt with collar, black pants (no spandex or jeans) and no open toed shoes.

Sign up:

at www.saintroberts.org-click on Centerplate, email Tonya Katches at ttstinytots@yahoo.com or call Tonya at (650) 291-7232

SEE YA THERE!!!!

