

Saint Robert's Church



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HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Chrism Mass
Tuesday, March 30th
5:30 p.m.

At St. Mary's Cathedral, S.F.

Holy Thursday
April 1

No Morning Mass

Mass of the Lord's Supper, 7:30 p.m.
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Until 10 p.m.

Good Friday
April 2nd

No Morning Mass

Silent Prayer Walk, 6:30 a.m.
(weather permitting,
meet in the lot off Crystal Springs Road)
12 Noon

Celebration of the Lord's Passion,
1:30 p.m. – 3 p.m.
Children's Liturgy, 1:15 p.m. - 3 p.m. in the Hall
Youth Passion Play, 7:30 p.m.
Followed by Communion Service.

Holy Saturday
April 3rd

No Morning Mass

Easter Vigil, 8:00 P.M.
No 4:30 p.m. Mass

Easter Sunday
April 4th

7:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.
No 5 p.m. Mass



Dear Parishioners,

There is nothing more disheartening than to see a loved one, a family member, a father or mother, a son or daughter suffer. It is such a powerless and helpless feeling. There is little one can do. My mother recently turned 92 years old. In October, I had to move my mom into a board and care home in San Bruno. She could no longer live at home by herself. She has dementia. My mom has good days and bad days. In time I know that she will have more and more bad days than good days.

I am grateful that my mom still knows me and says my name. Whenever we go out in public, she tells people that I am her son and the best Irish Catholic priest west of the Mississippi River. I dread the day she will no longer remember who I am. It pains me to see my mom suffering from dementia. Yet, I believe that her suffering is part of her journey in life.

She does not walk alone in her journey though. Jesus walks with her. In my mom's suffering, she is joined to Jesus in a very unique way. Jesus knows the profound meaning of suffering for he experienced it in his own life. Today we celebrate Palm/Passion Sunday. We recall Jesus' entrance into the holy city Jerusalem. This day marks the beginning of Jesus' passion, his suffering. In Jerusalem, Jesus will be condemned to death, flogged at the pillar, crowned with thorns, made to carry a heavy cross upon which he will be crucified, and die an agonizing death. In the suffering of Jesus is the forgiveness of our sins.

By his dying and rising, Jesus gives us eternal life. When we die, we will receive a glorified body, a body that will never know or ever experience physical or mental suffering. I look forward for my mom to experience this some day. And I remember the words of St. Paul, "the sufferings of the present age are nothing compared to the glory to be revealed in us."

Father Paul

Dear Friends,

As you are aware I fell off the sanctuary step on January 14. As a result I had three fractures, two in the pelvis and one in the tail bone. There was no magic cure. It would take about three months for the fractures to knit. I am well on the road to recovery now and hope to be as good as new in a few more weeks. I wish to thank you very sincerely for your prayers, cards, good wishes, visits etc. They were so welcome. God bless you all.

**Sincerely,
Sr. Ita**

THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday-March 29th

Mass Intention 6:30 Cosme Larios †
8:30 Doris Attard †
Passion Play Reh 6:45pm Church
Grownup's Steering
Committee Mtg 7:15pm Library
8th Gr Party Mtg 6:30pm Hall

Tuesday-March 30th

Mass Intention 6:30 Mary Tartara †
8:30 Marie Downes
Adult Rel Ed 9:15am Mary's Chapel
Religious Education 3:30pm Church & Hall
Legion of Mary 6:30pm Library
Confirmation 7:00pm Hall

Wednesday-March 31st

6:30 Communion Service
Mass Intention 8:30 Brian Cotter †
Centerplate mtg. 6:00pm Hall
Choir Practice 7:00pm Church

Thursday-April 1st-Holy Thursday

Mass Intention 7:30pm People of St. Robert's
Passion Play 9:30am Church & Hall
St. Vincent de Paul 12:00pm Mahoney Room

Friday-April 2nd-Good Friday

Passion Play 4:00pm Hall
Passion Play 6:00pm Church

Saturday-April 3rd-Holy Saturday

Mass Intention 8:00pm People of St. Robert's
AA 9:30am Mahoney Room

Sunday-April 4th-Easter Sunday

Mass Intention 7:30 People of St. Robert's
9:30 People of St. Robert's
11:30 People of St. Robert's

NO 5 P..M. MASS



**All Hands on Deck-
Morning of April 3rd**

Do you have some time on Saturday morning, April 3? We will be cleaning and decorating the church to make God's house a fitting place for all the celebrations of the Easter Vigil and Easter season! That evening at 8 pm, the Easter fire will light up the darkness on the plaza in front of church, then enflame the Paschal (Easter) candle; the water is blest for the baptism of the adults who've been preparing since September; and we all renew our promises to follow Christ! We'll gather at 9 am – please come if you can to make ready for this joyous occasion of Easter! If you have questions, please contact me at 589-2800 or srsheral@saintroberts.org. Service hours gladly given!



AS A PARISH COMMUNITY, WE PRAY THAT MANY YOUNG MEN AND WOMEN WILL BE STRENGTHENED WITH THE COURAGE AND GENEROSITY TO RESPOND TO JESUS INVITATION TO SERVE HIS PEOPLE AS PRIESTS, SISTERS, BROTHERS AND DEACONS.



WE CONGRATULATE THE NEWLY BAPTIZED

Anthony Alisantosa
Danielle Alisantosa
Kaitlyn Rose Lopez
Taryn Michelle Lopez

Communion for the Sick

If there is someone ill in your family or recovering from surgery or chemotherapy who is unable to come to Mass, please call Sister Patricia at 589-0104 and she will ask someone to bring Holy Communion. Or contact Sr. Sheral about the option of bringing your family member Communion yourself. There is a very simple procedure to be followed and either of us will be happy to go through it with you.



Our sincere sympathy to the family of Victor Baglio who died recently.

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.



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.

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 21st (goal)	381,900.00
July 1st to March 21st (actual)	365,682.74
7/1/09-6/30/10 Weekly Goal	10,050.00
Collection (actual 03/21)	7,605.21

GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION FOR THE HOLY LAND.

On Good Friday, our parish will take up the annual Good Friday Collection for the Holy Land.

Your financial contribution helps to support the struggling Christian community and to protect Christianity's holiest places.

PLEASE BE GENEROUS.

Thank you for your generous donation of **\$1,911.87** to Catholic Relief Services.

2010 ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

As of 3/23/10 **316 families** have pledged **\$41,898.55**

Our goal this year is \$96,000

Thank you for your generous donation.

MINISTER SCHEDULE/APRIL 3 & 4

Saturday/8:00 P.M. Mass

Presider: Fr. Obet

Eucharistic Ministers: R. Vassallo (C)

Deacon Rusty, Deacon John, M. Bourne, K. Welch

Lectors: G. Jurkovich, T. Tannis, D. Jolie and D. Rollins

Altar Servers: *no one scheduled at this time*

Sunday/7:30 A.M. Mass

Presider: Fr. Ring

Eucharistic Ministers: B. Mullins (C)

A. Lopez, C. Lopez, V. Lopez, C. Noce, M. Noce,

M. Elmore, B. Albright, T. Montross

Lectors: A. Clifford, T. Clifford and B. Lopez

Altar Servers: L. Clifford

Sunday/9:30 A.M. Mass

Presider: Fr. Obet

Eucharistic Ministers: R. Valdez (C)

V. Yanke, J. Yanke, S. Salazar, M. Salazar, T. Casey,

M. Bologna, M.A. Saisi, J. Valdez, L. Canaya, J. Kelly

Lectors: D. Wilson and D. Rollins

Altar Servers: A. Kucsak, J. Marty and C. Ward

Children's Liturgy: Easter Sunday

Sunday/11:30 A.M. Mass

Presider: Fr. Paul

Eucharistic Ministers: M. Giusti (C)

Deacon Rusty, T. Estelita, V. Valle, M. Fernandez,

P. Fernandez, E. Sanchez, B. Chester, N. Bamba,

H. Madayag, C. Morgan

Lectors: C. Pisani, M. Estelita and T. Tannis

Altar Servers: F. Valle and R. Benavente

WEEKLY READINGS

Monday-March 29th

Readings: Is 42:1-7 Jn 12:1-11

Tuesday-March 30th

Readings: Is 49:1-6 Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

Wednesday-March 31st

Readings: Is 50:4-9a Mt 26:14-25

Thursday-April 1st

Readings: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14 1 Cor 11:23-26 Jn 13:1-15

Friday-April 2nd

Readings: Is 52:13—53:12 Heb 4:14-16,5:7-9 Jn 18:1-19:42

Saturday-April 3rd

Readings: Gn 1:1—2:2 Gn 22:1-18 Ex 14:15

Sunday-April 4th

Readings: Acts 10:34a,37-43 Col 3:1-4 Lk 24:13-35

Archbishop Romero's Anniversary

30 years ago today on March 24, 1980, [Archbishop Oscar Romero](#) of El Salvador had just finished his sermon at a small hospital chapel when he was assassinated by a sniper. The archbishop who had witnessed ongoing violations of human rights in San Salvador begged for international intervention. All the Salvadoran bishops turned their backs on him, reporting his efforts to the Vatican stating he had become too "political". He continued on, following not the hierarchy of the Church, but Jesus' teachings. Over 75,000 Salvadorans would be killed, one million would flee the country, another million left homeless, and in a country of only 5.5 million, one Archbishop would die for his people. Days before his murder he told a reporter, "You can tell the people that if they succeed in killing me, that I forgive and bless those who do it. Hopefully, they will realize they are wasting their time. A bishop will die, but the church of God, which is the people, will never perish." (Catholic Scoop.com) Let us pray for the people of El Salvador who are still desperately poor after so many years of civil war.

Holy Week

If we were Jewish, we'd call the three days at the end of this week, the High Holy Days. As it is, we call them the Triduum, the most important celebrations of our life as followers of Jesus. Holy Thursday at 7:30 pm, we commemorate the first Eucharist, then spend time with Jesus in prayer at the Altar of Repose, the auditorium transformed into the garden of his betrayal. On Good Friday at noon, Sr. Louise O'Reilly, SND will lead us in a reflection on the cross, the one Jesus carried and the ones we ourselves carry. **At 1:30 pm, we will have the celebration of the Lord's Passion (NOT at noon, as was indicated in "Across the Parish.")** That evening at 7:30 pm, the young people of the parish will present the Passion Play which will be followed by Holy Communion. The sorrow of Jesus' crucifixion bursts into the joy of his resurrection on Holy Saturday at the 8 pm Eucharist. If you've never come, please do. Contrary to popular myth, it does not take 3 or 4 hours, just about an hour and a half. You won't be bored, I promise. It is unlike any other liturgy! **P.S.** If you have cala lilies and/or orchids for the Altar of Repose, please bring them to the rectory from 8:30 am til 7 pm Wednesday. Thank you! **S. Sheral**

Change for Churches

I talked with Fr. Nnanna a few days ago and the violence you've been reading about is not in his part of Nigeria. Thank you for your contributions of \$4,236 for his church expansion project. If you've been saving your donation for Fr. Nnanna's church, please put it in the collection next weekend or the weekend after. Please make your check payable to St. Robert's Church with Fr. Nnanna in the memo line or place it in one of the envelopes in the pews. He is most grateful.

Easter Sacraments Celebrated - During the Easter Vigil

Please join us for the Easter Vigil at 8pm next Saturday as we celebrate the Easter Sacraments: Shelby Cattalini, Jacques Li, Alan Chionh and Vincent Joutain *who will be Baptized, Confirmed and receive First Eucharist.*

Jim Puchbauer *will make a Profession of Faith, since he was baptized in another faith. He will then receive his Confirmation and First Eucharist.*

Laura Urbina *will receive her Confirmation.*

Alicia Douglas *will receive First Eucharist. Alicia's Confirmation is scheduled for Pentecost Sunday in San Francisco with Archbishop Niederauer.*

This is a great day of celebration for all of them. Please keep them in your prayers.

Directory Update

We waited to include pictures of Fr. Obet's installation. The directory has been sent to the publisher. In a couple of weeks we will receive a proof copy. Once that is reviewed and, if necessary corrections made, than production can begin. Delivery is now expected by the end of May.

We must now determine how many copies of the directory should be purchased. Remember, if you had your picture taken, you will receive one free copy of the directory per family. If you did not have your picture taken, but you would like a copy – or – if you would like an additional copy for your family, they are \$10 each. Please make a check payable to St. Robert's Directory for the number of copies you want to order. **Mail your check with your name, address and phone number to Deacon Duffey, c/o St. Robert's Church, 1380 Crystal Springs Rd, San Bruno, Ca, 94066.** Directory orders must be received by April 8th. Once the order is made we cannot get additional copies. Thank you for your cooperation.

Legion of Mary Day-April 10th and 11th

Learn what the Legion of Mary does for the Parish after the masses on April 10th & 11th in Hennessey Hall. Information will be available & refreshments will be served. If there are questions I can be reached at (650)742-6544 or (650) 303-8077.



MEMORIAL EASTER FLOWERS

Easter Flowers will decorate the Church during the Easter Season. If you would care to make a donation of \$10 towards their purchase in memory of a loved one kindly fill out the form below and return it to the Parish Office by **Thursday, April 1st.** A memorial list will be published in the bulletin at a later date.



My gift is in memory of: _____

My gift is in honor of: _____

Given by: _____



Congratulations!!!!

to our Dinner Dance Raffle Winners

- \$1,000—Mrs. Gloria Alchera
- \$500—Mrs. Sharon Wilson
- \$250—Mary Bourne
- \$100—Eleanor Ross





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.

All VOLUNTEERS.....MANDATORY TRAINING MEETING

Centerplate is requiring

all volunteers to attend a training prior to working any Giants or 49er games. The training will take place on Wednesday, **March 31st at 6:30 in Hennessy Hall**. Any parent who will be working a Centerplate game for their forty hour commitment, outdoor education requirement or the athletic requirement will need to attend the meeting.

SEE YA THERE!!!!

