

# SAINT ROBERT'S CHURCH



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## MASS TIMES

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 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 PENANCE

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

## 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.

**Schedules for Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors & Altar Servers are also available on the web at [www.saintroberts.org](http://www.saintroberts.org).**

## Dear Friends,

I sit here in Gene's chair, sipping my Vanilla Chai tea, a gift from my good friends Joan and Tony. Gene would enjoy this unusual pungent, sweet flavor. I read aloud the scripture for today and say to Gene: "Honey, I need your help. These seem to be very negative readings. Please help me make sense of them." I close my eyes and wait. The thought comes to me: "Ask the Holy Spirit; He will help you understand."

Again I recite aloud the reading from Isaiah. These words stand out: "I know their works and their thoughts...they shall proclaim my glory." God, my Father, cares about what I am thinking and what I am doing. I am His precious child. I am important to Him. I need to proclaim His glory by praising Him and giving Him thanks for all He has done for me.

Next I come to St. Paul's letter to the Hebrews: "At the time, all discipline seems a cause not for joy but for pain, yet later it brings the peaceful fruit of righteousness to those who are trained by it. So strengthen your drooping hands and your weak knees. Make straight paths for your feet, that what is lame may not be disjointed but healed." Discipline doesn't mean punishment though sometimes it really does feel like punishment; discipline means to be taught. The grief I now experience brings me closer to Jesus and it is teaching me how God wants me to live the rest of my life. St. Paul's words bring healing to me and the hope that some day Gene and I will be together in God's kingdom.

Next I study the reading from the Gospel of Luke. These words are rather frightening. Jesus' advice is: "Strive to enter through the narrow gate." Where is this narrow gate? How do I find it? How do I enter through it? I sit quietly for several minutes, waiting for an answer.

The narrow gate is the straight pathway that enables me to focus on my God---on His love for me and on my love for Him. This narrow gate helps me to clear my head of the many distractions that surround me and discover the meaning of life---Jesus lives within me. He asks only that I earnestly seek Him; come to know Him by reading and reflecting upon His Word and then living it. Once I truly come to know Jesus, I become His friend and He becomes mine. Together we share an intimate personal relationship. I bring to Him my deepest thoughts, sorrows and joys. In loving Jesus, I cannot help but grow in love for all "my brothers and sisters from all nations". When I finally pass through the narrow gate which leads to heaven and knock upon the door, I need not be afraid. Jesus will recognize me and know where I am from. He will welcome me and invite me in.

Together let us journey through this narrow gate. Then, with those we love who have gone before us, we will recline at table in the Kingdom of God.

Anna May

## THE WEEK AHEAD



### Monday-August 23rd

Mass Intention 6:30 Margaret Eagens †  
8:30 Fr. Joseph Healy †

**Grownup's Steering  
Committee Mtg 7:00pm Library  
Respect Life Mtg 7:00pm Mary's Chapel**

### Tuesday-August 24th

Mass Intention 6:30 Anthony Del La Cruz †  
8:30 Steven Hart †

**Legion of Mary 6:30pm Library**

### Wednesday-August 25th

6:30 Communion Service  
Mass Intention 8:30 Walter Delucchi †

**Opening Day  
Breakfast 8:30am Church/Hall  
Choir Practice 7:00pm Church**

### Thursday-August 26th

6:30 Communion Service  
Mass Intention 8:30 John McIntyre †

### Friday-August 27th

Mass Intention 6:30 Leo Del Rosso †  
8:30 Maria Duchi †

### Saturday-August 28th

Mass Intention 8:30 Margaret Calabro †  
4:30 Evelyn Rhein †  
**AA Mtg 9:30am Mahoney Room  
Grief Consol Mtg 3:00pm Convent Chapel  
Parish BBQ 5:00pm Hall**

### Sunday-August 29th

Mass Intention 7:30 Mocolin & Emilio  
Families †  
9:30 Doris Attard †  
11:30 Florence Rose  
Smith †  
5:00 People of St. Robert's  
**Confirmation/Yr 2 3:30pm Hall**

## **WILL YOU BE LOOKING FOR A MASS**

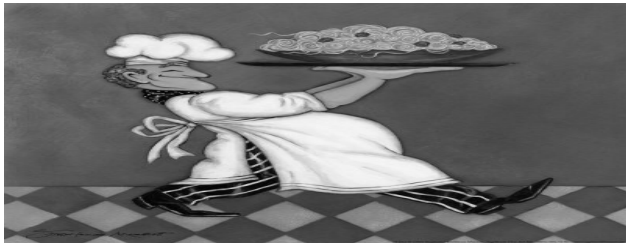
when you are away this summer? Check [www.masstimes.org](http://www.masstimes.org) for Mass schedule in other cities.

# Volunteers!



## CENTERPLATE URGENT NEED

Centerplate is an important way that St. Robert's raises funds for its many organizations. Please be generous with your time and sign up at [www.saintroberts.org](http://www.saintroberts.org)



## Welcome Back Pasta Feed

Welcome back pasta feed is a thank you to all those who support our parish and school in so many ways by sharing time, talent and treasures. This is a token of our appreciation for your generous support. Please join us in a pasta meal on Saturday, August 28 after the 4:30 Mass. Children are welcome.

## Gabriel's Project

Included with your bulletin today is a flier about the Gabriel Project of the Archdiocese of San Francisco. This parish-based ministry assist pregnant mothers. If you are interest please fill out the form to learn of future meetings. We encourage you to do so. Please either mail the form to the parish office or place it in the collection basket next Sunday.



## 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](http://www.saintroberts.org).



AS A PARISH COMMUNITY, WE PRAY....

**FOR OUR LOVED ONES WHO ARE ILL, ESPECIALLY THOSE WHO WILL RECEIVE THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK TODAY. MAY JESUS TOUCH AND HEAL THEM.**

## ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Today at the 11:30AM Mass, the Sacrament of the Sick will be celebrated. All who are seriously ill in body, mind or spirit and all who are experiencing the affects of the aging process are invited to come before the priest as he lays hands on them. The congregation will pray silently for their recovery, as the priests anoints each with oil. The grace from this Sacrament brings us faith, trust and hope.

## BE AWARE

**If you receive envelopes for the church or Archdiocese of San Francisco seeking personal donor information and/or credit card or direct debit donation information, we ask you to inform the Office of Development (415) 614-5580. PLEASE do not use these envelopes for donation**

## WEEKLY COLLECTION

July 1st to August 15th (goal)	76,430.00
July 1st to August 15th (actual)	60,366.17

7/1/10-6/30/11 Weekly Goal	10,490.00
Collection (actual 08/15)	7,249.10

## ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

As of 8/10/10

over 400 families have pledged

\$67,425.15

Our goal this year is \$96,000

*Thank you in advance*

*for your generous donation.*

# MINISTER SCHEDULE/AUG 28 & 29

## **Saturday/4:30 P.M. Mass**

**Presider:** Fr. Obet

**Eucharistic Ministers:** J. Scannell (C)

C. Holland, P. Arata, J. Beltrano. S. Chester,  
K. Martinez, M. Murphy

**Lectors:** Paul Scannell and Christina Clarke

**Altar Servers:** K. Ajam and C. Lynch

## **Sunday/7:30 A.M. Mass**

**Presider:** Fr. Ring

**Eucharistic Ministers:** R. Vassallo (C)

B. Albright, A. Buelow, A. Mullins, M. Nunnery

**Lectors:** Jomarie Moresco

**Altar Servers:** R. Topper and B. Godrey

## **Sunday/9:30 A.M. Mass**

**Presider:** Fr. Obet

**Eucharistic Ministers:** M. Zamattia (C)

E. Gumban, J. Kelly, A. Solis, M.A. Saisi, M. Bourne,  
L. Canaya

**Lectors:** Dana Jolie and Tom Tullius

**Altar Servers:** A. Bolivar, P. Dickson and S.Stelmashenko

**Children's Liturgy:** Family Mass

## **Sunday/11:30 A.M. Mass**

**Presider:** Fr. Nnanna

**Eucharistic Ministers:** V. Valle (C)

D. Murphy, F. Firpo, N. Bamba, H. Madayag,  
V/L Picininni, L. Sing

**Lectors:** David Maron and Camille Maron

**Altar Servers:** J. Cascino and A. Tapia

## **Sunday/5:00 P.M. Mass**

**Presider:** Fr. Paul

**Eucharistic Ministers:** G. Huddleston (C)

T. Estelita, K. Welch, M. Aberoutte, M. Dowden,  
C. Innes, B. Pace

**Lector:** Megan Estelita and Henry Lowood

**Altar Servers:** N. Estelita and E. Estelita

### **WEEKLY READINGS**

#### **Monday-August 23rd**

Readings: 2 Th 1:1-5, 11-12 Mt 23:13-22

#### **Tuesday-August 24th**

Readings: Rv 21:9b-14 Jn 1:45-51

#### **Wednesday-August 25th**

Readings: 2 Th 3:6-10, 16-18 Mt 23:27-32

#### **Thursday-August 26th**

Readings: 1 Cor 1:1-9 Mt 24:42-51

#### **Friday-August 27th**

Readings: 1 Cor 1:17-25 Mt 25:1-13

#### **Saturday-August 28th**

Readings: 1 Cor 1:26-31 Mt 25:14-30

#### **Sunday-August 29th**

Readings: Sir 3:17-18,20,28-29 Heb 12:18-19,22-24a Lk 14:1,7-14

All Are Welcome!

The readings today describe a development in the Jewish people's understanding of how God works. While they are still the Chosen People, God wants to save not only them, but invites everyone "to Jerusalem," symbolizing the center of Jewish observance and the City of God, heaven. Their experience was probably like ours with Vatican II expanding our sense of who will go to heaven from only Catholics to all people of good will who seek God and try to live moral lives. It is these foreigners, non-Jews, who will bring back the Jews from exile, using every possible conveyance!

The person asking who will be saved in the gospel assumes it will be few, perhaps, like the Left Behind series of books which declare the same un-Christian message. Luke's gospel, has Jesus reiterating this broader sense of God's desire to include everyone to "recline at table in the kingdom of God." Jesus says we must "Strive to enter through the narrow gate." The verb in Greek is one used to describe athletic training, so God's desire for us must elicit daily disciplined exercise on our part. "Hanging out" with Jesus, just hearing him preach doesn't cut it! That would be like going to the gym to watch others work out instead of doing it ourselves. So what does our daily spiritual practice include? Do we thank God for the gift of life? Ask for guidance during the day? Pray before meals? Reflect on how we've been an instrument of God's love at evening: Have we been as inclusive as God in our interactions? None of us has arrived and, fortunately for us, it's never too late to begin!

Peace,

S. Sheral

### Breaking the Ramadan Fast

The Turkish Muslim community has invited us to join them Saturday, Sept. 4 for the *iftar* dinner with which they break the sunrise-to-sunset fast during the month of Ramadan. It will take place at their center, 1310 Bayshore, Burlingame. Please let me know by Wednesday if you'd like to come by phone or e-mail, [rssheral@saintroberts.org](mailto:rssheral@saintroberts.org), so that I can RSVP for all of us and arrange carpools. Thank you.

### Responsible Purchases

In his homily, Fr. Obet mentioned sweatshops as one Example of evil in our world. If you'd like to be sure that the clothing you buy is not made by people laboring in horrible conditions, you could go to [www.notforsalecampaign.org](http://www.notforsalecampaign.org) featuring items made by women escaping slavery which assists them to re-enter a dignified life. [www.iccr.org](http://www.iccr.org), the Interfaith Center on Corporate Responsibility, works through shareholder resolutions to call businesses to their social responsibility.



## What is eScrip?

eScrip is a hassle-free way for schools and groups that support children's programs to raise funds through everyday purchases made at eScrip merchants.

## How Does it Work?

eScrip and merchant partners have created a system that rewards customer loyalty by contributing a percentage of purchases to your chosen group.

Parents, teachers, friends and families are encouraged to register their credit, debit and grocery club cards as supporters with the eScrip program. Upon receipt of registration, a percentage of all purchases made at eScrip merchants will be given back to the designated school or group.

### Simple Registration:

- Log on to [www.eScrip.com](http://www.eScrip.com) and go to "sign up".
- Designate your favorite school or children's group to receive contributions.
- Register your grocery club card from a



## IT IS TIME TO RENEW eScrip!

It's that time of the year again! Renew eScrip between August 1 and November 1, 2010. Just click on 'YES RENEW!' icon at [www.eScrip.com](http://www.eScrip.com).

It only takes a couple of minutes and it can mean hundreds of dollars for our community.





## YOU CAN BE AN ANGEL AND OUR PARISH CAN BE A HOST OF ANGELS

The Gabriel Project is an Archdiocesan parish-based ministry to support pregnant mothers and their unborn children. We recognize the importance and value of this ministry and would like our parish to take part in it. Your help is needed to accomplish our goal. We hope that the following information will interest you in attending an informational meeting to learn more about this ministry and how our parish can participate.

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*A pregnant mother might feel alone, frightened and overwhelmed by her new challenges. She might need a friend she can depend on and trust; one who will walk beside her along her new journey. She might be concerned about her and her child's future. We want her to know that we are people who care about her and want to help her. If she has been abandoned by family or her child's father, our parish community can lovingly help her overcome her sense of loss and loneliness by welcoming her as family and friend.*

*In the Gospel of Luke, the Angel Gabriel told Mary the good news that a child would be born and that she was to be the Mother of our Savior. When she asked, "How can this be?" the angel told her not to be afraid for "nothing is impossible with God." The Gabriel Project announces the same comforting message to frightened pregnant mothers: Fear not, for God is with you! Nothing is impossible with God.*

*We would like to join the Archdiocesan Gabriel team by welcoming client referrals from the Gabriel Helpline to our parish. Whenever we would receive a referral to a pregnant mother, one of our parish volunteers ("Gabriel Angel") would be assigned to maintain ongoing contact with her throughout her pregnancy. Our parish Angel would assess her needs and through prayer and action our parish community would assure her that she has their love and the love of Christ by providing her with spiritual, emotional and material support to help meet those needs.*

*There are also various opportunities for Assistant Angels to provide help on a more limited basis. In whatever way they help all volunteers and the parish community act as the Body of Christ and bring love and hope to pregnant mothers through their acts of kindness.*

*By employing our individual talents, collaborating with various ministries in the parish or diocese and utilizing community resources, we stand ready to provide a mother with the kinds of assistance she needs.*

*The Gabriel Project is a marvelous way to show our community that we Catholics see in the conception of each child a fresh expression of God's unfailing love. That we care about pregnant mothers in need and that there is no reason for any mother within our boundaries to feel that she is helpless and alone.*

*You can learn more at the Archdiocesan Gabriel Project Website: <http://sgabrielproject.wordpress.com>.*

If you are interested in attending an informational meeting to learn more, please fill in this form and clip it off. You can either mail it to the parish office or place it in the collection basket.

I AM INTERESTED IN LEARNING MORE ABOUT THE GABRIEL PROJECT.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_