

# 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 Parishioners,

"Turn the other cheek; walk the extra mile; give to everyone who asks." These are Jesus' imperatives in Today's gospel. One day in a high school religion class, we talked about this gospel. Students asked hard questions. Should they as a rule, give money to people who are begging on the streets, especially if they suspect the money will be used for alcohol or drugs? Is a Christian also necessarily a pacifist?

A class discussion raised questions about how to respond to Jesus' directive "Give to anyone who begs from you" The students hear Jesus' summons to lend to the beggar with an open heart. They consider everything they have saved to help the poor. Vocations to ministry and service evolve from moments such as these that touch us with the needs of others and awaken us that we can make a difference.

One of Jesus' teachings in today's gospel asks a commitment of self giving like his own. Jesus rejects conventional wisdom and accepted cultural values. He wants us to make neighbors even of enemies. We want to insulate ourselves from the needs and threats around us. We must reflect and act on how to live the gospel.

In the gospel Jesus asks us to take God as our standard in how to treat others. God makes the sun shine and rain fall on the just and unjust alike. In this Jesus goes beyond the golden rule which he quotes later in the sermon on the mount "In everything do unto others as you would have them do unto you." To respond to our enemies and evil with conscious, gracious, undeserved compassion goes farther. This is how life-giving, loving, merciful God acts.

So what can we say about Jesus' exhortations to be perfect as God is perfect. One scripture scholar suggests that a better translation of the word perfect would be fully alive. When one is fully alive, one is whole and able to love.

**God Bless  
Deacon John**

## **THE WEEK AHEAD**



### Monday-February 21st

Parish Office closed in  
Observance of President's Day

Mass Intention 8:30 Joseph Vinal †

### Tuesday-February 22nd

Mass Intention 6:30 Mary Cunningham †  
8:30 Patrick Dunleavy †

**Rel Education 3:30pm Church & Hall**  
**Legion of Mary 6:30pm Library**  
**Rel Ed/Jr. High 7:00pm Hall**

### Wednesday-February 23rd

6:30 Communion Service  
Mass Intention 8:30 Oscar Moniri †  
**Choir Practice 7:00pm Church**

### Thursday-February 24th

6:30 Communion Service  
Mass Intention 8:30 Carol Bond †

### Friday-February 25th

Mass Intention 6:30 Special Intention  
8:30 Irene Vidulich †

### Saturday-February 26th

Mass Intention 8:30 James Keating †  
4:30 Carol Bond †  
**Choir 9:00am Church**  
**AA 9:30am Mahoney Room**

### Sunday-February 27th

Mass Intention 7:30 Joseph Emilio †  
9:30 Brighi Seymour †  
11:30 John P. Murphy †  
5:00 Kathleen & Pat  
Dunleavy †

## **SCRIP**

The St. Robert Scrip Gift Card Fundraiser will be selling gift cards from local retailers on **February 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>** after all Masses. Anyone purchasing a total of \$100 dollars will receive a free St. Robert's Safari Festival 2010 Reusable Bag, while supplies last.



AS A PARISH COMMUNITY, WE PRAY FOR...THE PEOPLE OF GOD. WE ARE CALLED TO BE TEMPLES OF HIS HOLY SPIRIT. MAY WE STRIVE TO LOVE OUR ENEMIES AND DO GOOD TO THOSE WHO PERSECUTE US.



**WE CONGRATULATE  
THE NEWLY BAPTIZED**

Grayson Thomas Charles  
Liliana Faith Klingler  
Ava Rose Mitchell  
Brett Dallas Smiley  
Matteo Gregory Smiley

**WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS**

Elisa Taylor & Family  
Madeline Cutino  
Kevin & Michele Ashley & 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](http://www.saintroberts.org).

**Adult Day Services**

If you are a caregiver to a family member or friend who has a chronic health condition, please consider the option of Adult Day programming. Catholic Charities CYO San Carlos Adult Day Services offers a safe, sensible and affordable option for care and companionship during the day. This licensed facility has a stimulating day program, M-F, nutritious meals, caregiver support group and transportation. The staff is trained to deal with the individual needs of the participants and has a program specifically for Alzheimer's and related Dementia. If interested please call Michael Vargas (650) 592-9325 or visit [www.cccyo.org/sancarlosadultday](http://www.cccyo.org/sancarlosadultday).

***Pauline Books & Media has moved!***

*Pauline Books & Media*, your source for Catholic books & media run by the Daughters of St. Paul, has moved to **935 Brewster Street Redwood City, CA 94063**. Our Grand Opening is Tuesday, February 22. Free parking now available behind the building! For any questions, please call us at 650-369-4230 or email [redwood@paulinemediacom.com](mailto:redwood@paulinemediacom.com).

**\*\*\*DINNER DANCE RAFFLE TICKETS \*\*\***

The Raffle tickets for this year's Women's Guild annual Dinner Dance have been delivered to all parishioners. Please support this year's fundraiser by sending in your raffle tickets to either the Rectory or put them in the collection basket at each mass along with your check for \$10.00. You could be one of the lucky winners. If you do not wish to participate **please send back your unused tickets** so that we may pass them along. This is a major part to the success of this fundraiser.

**Volunteers Needed**

Do you have a few hours to spare helping our neighbors in need? Join St. Vincent de Paul volunteers helping serve the homeless in San Mateo and South San Francisco. Assistance is also needed to answer the helpline and assist with general office duties. Basic computer skills are required. The next Volunteer Orientation will be Tuesday, March 1, 1:30 p.m. at the SVdP District Office at 50 North B Street in San Mateo. Call Atrecia at (650) 373-0623 to register. The rewards of volunteering are heavenly!

**WEEKLY COLLECTION**

July 1st to Feb 13, 2011 (goal)	317,700.00
July 1st to Feb 13th (actual)	292,975.83
7/1/10-6/30/11 Weekly Goal	10,490.00
Collection (actual 2/13)	8,171.10

**2011 ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL**

**As of 2/11/11  
\$3,745.00  
has been pledged.  
Our goal this year is \$86,200.  
Thank you in advance**

# MINISTER SCHEDULE/Feb 26 & 27

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

**Presider:** Fr. Obet

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

D. Hageman, J. Beltrano, D. Interdonato, K. Martinez,  
J. Waldvogel, T. Dachauer

**Lectors:** C. Bonner and C. Clarke

**Altar Servers:** C. McHale and M. McKenna

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

**Presider:** Fr. Ring

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

F. Reyes, R. Jardin, T. Montross, C. Soracco

**Lectors:** S. Heaney and A. Reyes

**Altar Servers:** C. Paulbitski and S. Jensen

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

**Presider:** Fr. Obet

**Eucharistic Ministers:** T. Casey (C)

M.A. Saisi, A. Romine, K. Semenza, M. Zamattia,  
L. Canaya, D. Marty

**Lectors:** Student

**Altar Servers:** M. Mar, I. Galindo and K. Ajam

**Children's Liturgy:** Family Mass

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

**Presider:** Fr. Ring

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

C. Forsell, H. Mantler, V. Valle, J. Yee, L. Sing,  
V/L Piccinini

**Lectors:** H. Valle and R. Hill

**Altar Servers:** S. Stelmashenko and A. Kelly

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

**Presider:** Fr. Obet

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

B. Pace, M. Santiago, M. Aberouette, S. Mangold,  
J. Semeniuk, G. Huddleston

**Lector:** M. Estelita and H. Lowood

**Altar Servers:** E. Gonzalez and C. Osterlund

### **WEEKLY READINGS**

#### Monday-February 21st

Readings: Sir 1:1-10 Mk 9:14-29

#### Tuesday-February 22nd

Readings: 1 Pt 5:1-4 Mt 16:13-19

#### Wednesday-February 23rd

Readings: Sir 4:11-19 Mk 9:38-40

#### Thursday-February 24th

Readings: Sir 5:1-8 Mk 9:41-50

#### Friday-February 25th

Readings: Sir 6:5-17 Mk 10:1-12

#### Saturday-February 26th

Readings: Sir 17:1-15 Mk 10:13-16

#### Sunday-February 27th

Readings: Is 49:14-15 1 Cor 4:1-5 Mt 6:24-34

## "In Conversation"

St. Vincent de Paul and the Sisters of Mercy present Oscar winner Susan Sarandon and "Dead Man Walking" author, Sister Helen Prejean, CSJ, in conversation at the Theatre of Notre Dame de Namur University on March 14, 2011 at 6:30 pm. Admission with premier seating and 5 pm champagne reception beforehand is \$125. General admission is \$50 and student and senior admission is \$35. All proceeds benefit SVdP's Catherine's Center, a re-entry home for women reclaiming life after incarceration. For reservations and donations go to [www.svdp-sanmateoco.org](http://www.svdp-sanmateoco.org) or e-mail [lwondra@svdp-sanmateoco.org](mailto:lwondra@svdp-sanmateoco.org). Catherine's Center accepts no government funding. Thank you.

### After Mass

You've noticed that we often have families from the Roma (Gypsy) community begging outside after Mass. We're looking for someone who can work with them to provide longer term solutions to their situation. Please do not give them money. Thank you very much.

## Help Our Group Earn Thousands of Dollars It's Easy! It's for a Limited Time!

Bring in your Safeway receipts to the  
School or the Rectory

**Opportunity ends Tuesday,  
February 22nd**

### **DINNER DANCE**

We are still accepting reservations for the  
Women's Guild Dinner Dance  
on Saturday, May 5th.

Email [urozfmly@aol.com](mailto:urozfmly@aol.com) for reservations.

## Living Liturgy

### The Sermon on the Mount

At first glance, both the Leviticus reading and the gospel passage seem impossible to live out. Be perfect as your heavenly Father is perfect? Cherish no grudge? Love your enemy? Jesus has to be kidding! Yet in the past few weeks, we've witnessed oppressed people taking these directives seriously. Did you notice that when pro-Mubarak forces attacked the protesters on camels and horses that the protesters remained non-violent? Two long weeks into the protest, anxiously awaiting the promised stepping down by the president, there was still no violence when he announced he would continue. This huge group of Muslims, Coptic (Eastern rite) Catholics and others had committed themselves to non-violence and their faithfulness to that stance won them the admiration of the world. The Muslims' faithfulness to prayer - in the midst of the protest, directly in front of the army's tanks - showed such great trust in God. The prayers of the entire global community, no doubt, strengthened them as well. After so many years of living under dictatorship, "Raise your head high and be proud to be Egyptian!" became their common cry. Commentators had stated that it was a leaderless group, but surely there had to have been many esteemed and influential leaders to have inspired and sustained a non-violent response in the face of murder, jailings and beatings.

Actually, the Greek verb *antistenai*, translated as "offer no resistance" in today's gospel is better translated as "do not retaliate against the evildoer." And this was the protesters' response; they did not act with violence. And in each of the four examples, as Barbara Reid, OP, points out, Jesus gives a way to respond "with an action that confronts the evildoer nonviolently, thus breaking the cycle of violence and opening up a new possibility." (*I have a wonderful article which I'll gladly share with anyone interested which explains all the gospel examples in detail with their cultural significance.*) The admonition to the debtor to hand over not just his outer tunic, but the undergarment of his cloak is a great example of what Jesus is advocating. The poor man would then stand naked in court, shocking everyone and, in that culture, bringing shame on the one who viewed the man's nakedness rather than on the man himself! Similarly, the law allowed a Roman soldier to press a local resident to carry his pack for one mile, but the soldier would be punished for allowing the man to carry it two miles! So, Jesus wants us to respond to evil with creativity, turning the tables on the one using power unjustly. And the phrase about being perfect? It would be better translated as completeness or fullness, just as God's love for us is complete, knowing no bounds. We can only come close to loving as God has loved us with the help of the Holy Spirit! So let us pray for the change of heart we'll need.

**Peace, S. Sheral**

### **New Mass Parts!**

If you'd like to learn the Mass parts for the new liturgy we'll be praying in Advent, please come to the church Saturday the 26<sup>th</sup> at 10 am! We'll also learn some new songs for Lent.

## The Gospel Procession

Do you have in your mind a collection of words to live by? Many of us do. Many Christians' little collections will no doubt include quotes from one or more of the Gospels. The Church as a whole and individual Christians revere the Gospels of Jesus Christ. They hold a special place in the Church's Tradition. In the Church's worship, when the Gospel is proclaimed, we hear the voice of Christ. The introduction to the Book of the Gospels tells us, "While the whole corpus of the Scriptures are venerated by the Church as the word of God, the Gospels have always been proclaimed as the very voice of her Bridegroom."



**REMEMBER-  
ING  
the WORD of  
GOD**

**"Be doers of the word  
and not hearers only."**

**James 1:22**

It's no surprise, then, that we give special honor to

the Book of the Gospels, a liturgical book that contains all of the Gospel texts from the Lectionary for Mass for Sundays, feast days and ritual masses. As the deacon or priest takes the Book of the Gospels from the altar, we honor it by accompanying it to the ambo with incense, candles and singing the Alleluia or, during Lent, one of the seasonal acclamations. The procession and our accompanying song are the way that we embody the reverence for the Gospel that we hold in our minds and hearts.

## Passion Play Auditions



*The Saint Robert's Youth Ministry invites all the teenagers of our parish to join in the presentation of our 16th Annual Passion Play.*

Auditions will be held in Saint Robert's Church:

Sun. ~ Feb. 20, 2011 ~ 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm.  
Mon. ~ Feb. 21, 2011 ~ 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm.  
Sun. ~ Feb. 27, 2011 ~ 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm.

*We are also looking for Singers, Musicians and Stage Crew, please come to one of the auditions, or call one of us to sign up for any of these positions. You may call either:*

Ben Baldonado at (650) 589-8519  
or Collin Tullius at (650) 270-1444

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## American Line Dancing

Thank God It's Friday Benefit Event  
February 25 (6:00 - 9:00 pm)  
Hennesy Hall



This special event is open to all parishioner and friends of St. Robert's church in celebration of thanks for God's everyday blessing. In lieu of class fee valued at \$10 per attendee, you may donate as much as you like to St. Roberts Church to benefits its various charities and ministries. Please join us and catch all the fun and excitement as we line dance for health and enjoyment - and start the weekend on a high party note.

Line Dancing is for fun and for exercise - open to all ages that enjoy dancing! Get lively, move with confidence, and stay fit while having fun with or without a partner. Learn the various forms of American Line Dancing., slide, country line, flowing waltz, boogie, cha-cha, tango, rumba, foxtrot, salsa shuffle, mambo, samba, shimmy, bachata, bossanova and more! You will be surprised with the music variety we dance to!

**Pre-Registration is requested. For more information please contact.  
Allen Isidro at (650) 515 - 2320 [Vallentino@netzero.net](mailto:Vallentino@netzero.net)  
St. Robert's Rectory Office at (650) 589 - 2800**